

Statement By The Special Representative of the Secretary-General

on Sexual Violence in Conflict

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Following reports on alleged rapes of women deported from Angola to the Democratic Republic of Congo, I hereby call on both countries to investigate these incidents. It is important not only to get an accurate picture of what has happened, but also to clarify who has perpetrated the suspected human rights violations, and that the perpetrators are brought to justice. I urge both Governments to do their utmost to protect their populations, particularly women and children.

We continue to monitor this and other incidents of alleged sexual violence in conflict, wherever they occur.
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