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**Violence in Bangui: MINUSCA calls for calm**

*Bangui, August 22, 2014:* The United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA) regrets the violence that marred the capital in recent days, due to clashes between some members of the PK5 community and certain international forces.

MINUSCA deplores the loss of life and consequent injuries, and expresses its deepest condolences to the families and relatives of the victims.

In this context, the Special Representative a.i. of the Secretary-General of the United Nations in the Central African Republic, Aurélien Agbénonci, received on August 21 at the Headquarters of MINUSCA, a delegation of the Coordination of Muslim Organizations in the Central Africa Republic (COMUC), bearer of a memorandum for the attention of the Mission.

MINUSCA took note of the concerns that the COMUC expressed in that Memorandum, and invited members of the delegation to opt for dialogue and peaceful solutions.

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