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### **UN PEACEKEEPERS DISMANTLE A CAMP OF THE FDPC REBEL GROUP IN CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC**

**Bangui, 24th June 2015** - Peacekeepers of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA) dismantled on Sunday, 21 June 2015, a camp of the rebel group "Front Démocratique pour le Peuple Centrafricain" (FDPC), in the northern-eastern part of Zoukoumbo located in the western side of the country, in Nana -Mambéré Prefecture.

Elements of the FDPC rebel group were perpetrating numerous acts of terror, robberies and hostage-taking and ransoming the population in the sector between Baboua and Zokoumbo on the main supply road (MSR1). On several occasions, they opened fire on MINUSCA patrols who were securing the area.

By means of the military operation "*Izi legue*" – "*Paving the way*" - launched on 21 June 2015, MINUSCA peacekeepers destroyed the camp of the rebel group, consequently forcing its members to flee. Weapons, ammunition, identification cards of different countries and drugs, among others, were found by MINUSCA Forces in the abandoned camp.

The operation "*Izi legue*" is still ongoing. It aims at restoring freedom of movement and security on the main supply road #1 which supplies the capital city, Bangui.

