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**INVESTIGATION OF AN ALLEGATION OF SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND
ABUSE AGAINST [REDACTED]**

REDACTED REPORT

ID Case No. 0290-06

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MEMORANDUM INTERIEUR

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SUBJECT: Investigation of an allegation of sexual exploitation and abuse against

1. On [REDACTED] the Investigations Division of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (ID/OIOS) received an allegation of sexual exploitation and abuse against [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] a [REDACTED]. It was alleged that [REDACTED] was involved in a sexual relationship with a [REDACTED] (hereafter referred to as [REDACTED]) with whom [REDACTED] allegedly [REDACTED] for a period of [REDACTED].

2. ID/OIOS conducted an investigation of the allegation, which included, but was not limited to, the collection and analysis of available documents and the interview of [REDACTED] civilian witnesses and UN personnel, including [REDACTED].

3. ID/OIOS has recently concluded its investigation, and this dossier report, which found that:

a) shortly after [REDACTED] met and developed a friendship with [REDACTED] a resident of [REDACTED] and shortly thereafter commenced a consensual sexual relationship with [REDACTED] admitted the friendship with [REDACTED] but denied that they entered into a sexual relationship. However, the evidence of [REDACTED] as to [REDACTED] sexual relationship with [REDACTED] is corroborated by the evidence of other [REDACTED]. Moreover, the evidence of [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] identified that [REDACTED] routinely visited [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] and often stayed [REDACTED] only returning to [REDACTED] early the [REDACTED].

b) over the course of their relationship, [REDACTED] provided [REDACTED] and with items [REDACTED]. ID/OIOS was unable to establish, with any degree of certainty, whether the [REDACTED] supplied to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had originated from [REDACTED].

4. ID/OIOS concluded, however, that an allegation of sexual exploitation and abuse against [REDACTED] cannot be substantiated; however, ID/OIOS does find that [REDACTED] conduct is of the type "strongly discouraged" by ST/SGB/2003/13.

5. ID/OIOS also established that [REDACTED] imposing curfews, rules on interaction with [REDACTED] and other issuances are promulgated by each incoming [REDACTED] and that the [REDACTED] lapse upon [REDACTED]. Nonetheless, ID/OIOS established that the essence of all such [REDACTED] - the relevant provisions thereof - is to minimize the incidence of sexual exploitation and abuse being committed by [REDACTED].

6. The evidence adduced in this and other cases, namely ID Cases [REDACTED] [REDACTED] reinforced the general allegation that some [REDACTED] frequently disobeyed the sexual exploitation and abuse-related provisions of the [REDACTED] promulgated by [REDACTED]. ID/OIOS considers that this is a [REDACTED] best addressed by [REDACTED] with the [REDACTED].

7. In view of the findings of the investigation, ID/OIOS recommends the following:

Recommendation 1: It is recommended that [REDACTED] provide a copy of this report to [REDACTED] so that appropriate measures are taken to ensure that all [REDACTED] adhere to their [REDACTED] that pertains to curfew and interaction with [REDACTED], and other issuances that are designed to minimize the incidence of sexual exploitation and abuse. [REDACTED]

Recommendation 2: It is recommended that [REDACTED] advise [REDACTED] that the allegation of sexual exploitation and abuse against [REDACTED] is unsubstantiated. ([REDACTED])

8. Your response as to any actions, taken or considered, with respect to the findings and recommendations of this investigation by [REDACTED] would be greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

9. ID/OIOS regrets the delay in the reporting of this case, which is the result of the matter being overtaken by cases of higher risk to the Organization.

10. Thank you and best regards.

cc: [REDACTED]