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**REPORT OF THE INVESTIGATION INTO AN ALLEGATION OF
SEXUAL ABUSE AGAINST A UNITED NATIONS [REDACTED]
DEPLOYED WITH THE UNITED NATIONS [REDACTED]**

REDACTED REPORT

ID Case No. 0700/05

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SUBJECT: **Report of the investigation into an allegation of sexual abuse against a**

OBJET: [redacted] with the [redacted]

1. On [redacted] a [redacted]-year-old [redacted] reported to the then [redacted] of the [redacted] that [redacted] had been raped by [redacted] a [redacted] with [redacted]. The allegation was initially investigated by the former [redacted] and the [redacted].

2. On [redacted] the allegation was referred to the Investigations Division of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (ID/OIOS) pursuant to General Assembly resolution 59/287 of 21 April 2005, which assigns ID/OIOS sole responsibility for the investigation of Category I misconduct allegations, including sexual exploitation and abuse.

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

4. The ID/OIOS investigation was hampered and delayed by [redacted]'s reluctance to assist investigators and it was not until [redacted] that [redacted] finally agreed to be interviewed by ID/OIOS. [redacted] explained [redacted] did not believe there was any value in pursuing the matter and was trying to forget the alleged incident and to move on with [redacted] life. Further investigative delays were experienced due to the reluctance of some witnesses to assist investigators.

5. ID/OIOS has now concluded its investigation, during the course of which the following investigative details were obtained:

(a) According to [redacted] first met [redacted] in [redacted] at a local bar and entered into a consensual sexual relationship with [redacted]. The relationship continued until [redacted] when [redacted] ended it because [redacted] believed that [redacted] was involved in relationships with other [redacted].

(b) [REDACTED] stated that during their relationship, [REDACTED] had promised [REDACTED] to help develop a business and provided [REDACTED] for that purpose. On [REDACTED] [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED] and asked [REDACTED] to come to [REDACTED] residence to collect the remainder of the moneys promised. When [REDACTED] arrived, [REDACTED] sought to have sexual intercourse with [REDACTED]. When [REDACTED] refused, [REDACTED] raped [REDACTED] and thereafter offered [REDACTED] the moneys promised, which [REDACTED] did not accept.

(c) [REDACTED] described [REDACTED] residence in detail, provided the number of [REDACTED] mobile phone and the registration number of one of the [REDACTED] vehicles in which [REDACTED] drove [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] alleged were torn during [REDACTED] rape were taken into evidence [REDACTED].

(d) A review of the [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] vehicle identified by [REDACTED] revealed that [REDACTED] had not signed it out during the time period in question.

(e) ID/OIOS interviewed a total of [REDACTED] witnesses. [REDACTED] witness, a friend of [REDACTED] attested to having any knowledge of the alleged sexual relationship between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. In a statement to the [REDACTED] and re-affirmed in [REDACTED] interview with ID/OIOS, [REDACTED] claimed that [REDACTED] was with [REDACTED] when [REDACTED] proposed a relationship to [REDACTED] which [REDACTED] accepted. [REDACTED] also related information concerning the relationship which [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] had told [REDACTED]. Although [REDACTED] had been with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] occasions, [REDACTED] was unable to identify [REDACTED] in a photographic array conducted by ID/OIOS.

(f) [REDACTED] denied the rape allegation, as well as ever having met [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] had only given [REDACTED] mobile telephone number to [REDACTED] and to the local [REDACTED] employed at the [REDACTED] where [REDACTED] further denied ever having attended at the bar where [REDACTED] alleged that [REDACTED] had met [REDACTED] or giving any person moneys as alleged. [REDACTED] stated that about a [REDACTED] before the allegation against [REDACTED] surfaced, [REDACTED] was telephoned by a [REDACTED] seeking to speak to a person whom [REDACTED] did not know in the [REDACTED] thereafter, the same [REDACTED] called [REDACTED] times a week, and then, in the week prior to the raising of the allegation, [REDACTED] called [REDACTED] daily. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] was then called by the [REDACTED] who sought to interview [REDACTED], at which time [REDACTED] reported the matter to [REDACTED].

6. ID/OIOS established that:

(a) [REDACTED] filed a report with the [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] one day after the alleged rape. The matter was also reported to the [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] investigation ensued.

(b) [REDACTED] underwent a medical examination on [REDACTED] days after [REDACTED] alleged rape, which was inconclusive. No physical injury was reported or observed.

(c) The [REDACTED] had in its case file the [REDACTED] torn [REDACTED]

(d) [redacted] identified [redacted] from a photographic array as [redacted] assailant. Moreover, based on an examination of photographs taken of [redacted] residence by the [redacted] [redacted] accurately described the interior of [redacted] private residence. [redacted] also provided ID/OIOS with [redacted] mobile telephone number, but due to the absence of relevant telephone records, ID/OIOS could not establish whether there had been telephone communication between the parties.

(e) While [redacted] knowledge of the interior of [redacted] residence suggests that [redacted] had been there, there was no reliable corroborative evidence of a relationship between them. Additionally, [redacted] identified an [redacted] vehicle [redacted] claimed [redacted] had driven [redacted] in, but the records do not corroborate [redacted] claim.

(f) There was no evidence to confirm the presence of [redacted] at [redacted] residence at any time during the day of the alleged rape.

(g) There was no reliable evidence to support the rape allegation.

7. ID/OIOS concludes that the allegations against [redacted] are unsubstantiated. Accordingly, ID/OIOS recommends that [redacted] inform the [redacted] via [redacted], and [redacted] that the allegation of sexual abuse against [redacted] is unsubstantiated. (ID Rec. No. IV05/700/01)

8. A response to this recommendation as to any actions taken or considered would be greatly appreciated by [redacted]. Should you have any questions or comments, please contact [redacted]

9. Thank you and best regards.

cc: [redacted]