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## Guinea assesses its national anti-corruption legislation with UNODC support

As the official guardian of United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC), UNODC regularly assists governments in their fight against corruption, notably through technical and financial support. Signatories to the Convention are encouraged to perform a self-assessment under UNCAC's review mechanism, in order to determine their strengths and weaknesses in regards to anti-corruption.



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Guinea's National Anti-Corruption Agency (ANLC), currently established by decree, as been described as relying on a thin legal basis. Furthermore, the Guinean penal code has yet to be reviewed to ensure conformity with UNCAC. In this context, the country initiated its self-assessment under UNCAC's review mechanism during a workshop that took place on 27-29 May 2015. With support from UNODC, the workshop brought together the main actors in the fight against corruption in Guinea, including representatives from the Ministry of Justice, the Ministry of Finance and civil

society organizations. The UNODC Anti-Corruption Advisor for West and Central Africa used the opportunity to visit the premises of the ANLC and to meet with the Minister of Justice, Mr. Cheick Sako.

The ANLC is one of the least funded anti-corruption bodies in West Africa. During the workshop, calls were made for in-depth reforms aimed at strengthening the fight against corruption in Guinea, both in terms of legislation and institutional set-up. The Minister of Justice and the interim head of the ANLC, Mr. Sekou Mohamed Sylla, welcomed continued support from UNODC to promote these reforms. Follow-up activities will be implemented before the end of the year.

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