



Niger



DGPN hierarchical control mission in the regions of Dosso, Tahoua, Maradi and Zinder

As part of the evaluation of internal control mechanisms in the Regional Directorates of the National Police (DGPN), the Directorate of Public Security (DSP) conducted a field mission from 26 October to 3 November in collaboration with DCAF. In view of the importance given by the DGPN to the need for control of several themes, the Directorates of Logistics and Infrastructure, Information and Public Relations, Transmission and Information Technology, Human Resources, the Central Office for the Repression of Illegal Drug Trafficking, and the National Security Companies (in charge of maintaining order) joined the DSP to discuss the various procedures and directives of the new DGPN. The areas concerned by internal control are: the management and use of weapons, the management of equipment and the maintenance of buildings, the management of personnel, the assertion of leadership by the middle management, the respect and application of orders and measures taken by the DGPN, and the behavior of police officers (respect for ethics and integrity). The objective of this mission was to revitalize the internal control of the units by producing evaluation reports on the mechanisms put in place. All of this will have the medium-term aim of improving the quality of services rendered to the population.



Revision & validation of legal texts by the Technical Committee of the Ministry of National Defense

From October 26 to 28, the Technical Committee of the Ministry of National Defense of Niger held working meetings on the revision of legal texts and the validation of the new additional texts, following the validation of the compilation of the legal texts governing the sector of National Defense in Niger from 1960 to 2022. This activity aims to increase access of the normative and legal framework of the Ministry of Defense as well as its alignment with the ECOMW Security Governance framework for better oversight of the security sector with the support of DCAF to the Niamey Military Administration.



Revision workshop for the IGSS legal texts

From 24 to 27 October, a workshop to revise the texts of the General Inspectorate of Security Services (IGSS) was held in Dosso, which included an exchange of experiences on the organisation of the General Inspectorate of the Armed Forces and the National

Gendarmerie (IGAGN), the General Inspectorate of Territorial Administration (IGAT), the Customs Inspectorate and the General Inspectorate of Administrative Governance. One of the successes of this activity is the creation of four services attached to the IG's cabinet, namely: the human resources service; the financial resources and equipment service; the external relations, communication and cooperation service; and the archives, documentation and statistics service. These services allow for a better management of human and material resources as well as the visibility of the IGSS through a coherent communication strategy and the strengthening of its cooperation with other national and international structures and organisations.

Mali



Launch workshop of the San Security Advisory Committee and training of its members

As part of the operationalization of the Security Advisory Committee of San, the Commissioner for SSR (C-RSS) in partnership with DCAF organized a workshop to launch the activities of the said Committee and the training of its members on November 02 and 03. The Committee comprises a wide range of actors, such as the FDS, CSOs (Youth and Women), customary and religious authorities, political and administrative authorities and the local media. During this workshop, members were trained on their roles and responsibilities to ensure the effective running of activities. Leading up to the launch, the DCAF team accompanied by a member of the C-RSS carried out a two-day visit (October 31 and November 1) during which preparatory meetings with the government authorities and concerned CSOs took place. A total of 69 representatives (including 3 women and 66 men) of different actors and DCAF took part of the launch and training. The workshop was an opportunity for the various actors to discuss the fundamentals of SSR, the Institutional Framework, the National SSR Strategy as well as the roles and responsibilities of the Security Advisory Committees and their members

Support to the General Security and Civil Protection Services (ISSPC) for the realization of a pre-disciplinary administrative investigation

As part of its support for oversight and internal control actors in Mali, DCAF supported the ISSPC in carrying out a pre-disciplinary administrative investigation into the occurrences of harassment by the security and civil protection services and securing road checkpoints. The purpose of this investigation is to ensure that the inspectors are able to carry out pre-disciplinary administrative investigation missions in accordance with the standards learned through previous DCAF training and to detect inappropriate behavior by the personnel of the security and civil protection services deployed along the main roads and

at the land borders. The investigation also aimed to ensure that the recommendations made during previous EAPD missions have been applied and to assess the state of relations between the security services and the populations in the target areas (community policing). The mission started on October 15 and will end during the first half of November.

Burkina Faso



Strategy meeting of the advisory committee

In collaboration with its national partners, DCAF initiated an advisory committee's meeting to reflect on the challenges and issues of SSRG in Burkina Faso in the context of political change. This meeting, which brought together a dozen state and non-state partners including the Higher Authority for State Control and Anti-Corruption (ASCE/LC), the General Secretariat for National Defence (SGDN), the National Council for Human Rights (CNDH), the Mediator of Faso, the National Anti-Corruption Network (REN LAC), the Norbert Zongo National Press Centre (CNP NZ), the Centre for Strategic Studies of Africa (CESA), the National Economic and Social Development Plan (SP PNDES), served as a framework for discussion on the state of implementation of the security sector reform underway in Burkina Faso. Above all, the meeting provided an opportunity to take stock of the challenges and opportunities for strengthening security sector governance in a rapidly changing security and political context.



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