

United Nations Panel Says No Impunity for Sexual Abuses by Peacekeepers



United Nations, June 18 (RHC)-- A United Nations panel has recommended sweeping changes to the world body's peacekeeping operations worldwide. The report comes amid revelations of sexual abuses and exploitation by U.N. forces in countries including Haiti, Liberia and the Central African Republic.

Panel chair José Ramos-Horta said there must be zero tolerance for such crimes. Ramos-Horta said: "This is what has to be very clear. You commit a barbarity, you have no protection whatsoever. You are subject to the laws of the country where you are operating."

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