

HIGH AUTHORITY FOR THE FIGHT  
AGAINST CORRUPTION

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PREVENTION, AWARENESS  
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## **CELEBRATION OF THE AFRICAN ANTI-CORRUPTION DAY**

### **REPORT**

Brazzaville, July 2021

On July 11 each year, the African Union celebrates the African Anti-Corruption Day. It was established within the framework of the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption, to which the Congo is a State Party signatory.

The High Authority for the Fight against Corruption (HALC), which has been functional since the end of July 2020, is celebrating its first ever day, which is in fact the 5th celebration since its creation.



*Chairperson of HALC*

The theme of this year is: "Regional Economic Communities: Key Actors in the Implementation of the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption".

#### **I- EXPECTED ACTIVITIES**

As provided for in the terms of reference proposed by the Prevention, Awareness and Communication Department, the African Anti-Corruption Day included the following activities

- 1) Broadcasting of a statement by the President of the High Authority for the Fight against Corruption on the theme of the day and the invitation to all citizens to get involved in the fight against corruption;
- 2) Broadcasting of a spot on 11 July;
- 3) Dissemination of messages on the fight against corruption, and the use of the hotline, namely

- a) Message related to the theme of the day:

AFRICAN ANTI-CORRUPTION DAY: 11 JULY 2021

THEME: "Regional Economic Communities: Key Actors in the Implementation of the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption"



b) Message Related to the Institution



c) Message related to the hotline :

**FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION:  
DENOUNCE CORRUPTORS AND CORROMPUSES AT 1023 or:  
LET'S ALL DENOUNCE CORRUPTION ON 1023**



1) Conference on: "**The African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption**", with the launch of the use of the hotline”;

2) Production of a sketch on the "corruption, recreation is over

## **II.1- FULLY IMPLEMENTED ACTIVITIES**

Two activities have been fully implemented to date. These are

1- Declaration of the President of the High Authority for the Fight against Corruption (see-attached message)

- a. As a recapitulation, the message mentions the theme chosen for this day as well as the invitation to all the population to get involved in the fight against corruption by using the hotline;
- b. This message was relayed in the entire nation's media



2- The diffusion of messages carried by seven (7) banners, spread in the capital city, Brazzaville.

- a. The first message, on four banners, declines the theme of the day;
- b. The second message, on three banners, invites «corruptogenic " people to cease with corruption.

## **II.2- ACTIVITIES NOT YET CARRIED OUT**

The following planned activities have not yet been fully implemented due to technical problems in the implementation of the Hotline by mobile phone operators. These are the dissemination of messages on the fight against corruption and the use of the hotline:

- a. The message on the call for denunciation on the hotline 1023 must be posted on giant panels to be deployed throughout the national territory;
- b. The message on the presentation of the HALC and the interest of using the hotline by citizens is carried by leaflets or flyers.

The designs for these messages have been completed and are only awaiting the end of the implementation of the hotline to complete the implementation of this activity.



## Connaître la HALC

Extraits de la loi n°3-2019 du 07/02/2019  
portant création de la Haute autorité  
de lutte contre la corruption

**Article 2 :** La Haute autorité de lutte contre la corruption a pour mission la prévention et la lutte contre la corruption, la concussion, la fraude et les infractions assimilées.

**Article 3 :** La Haute autorité de lutte contre la corruption prend toutes les initiatives nécessaires à l'accomplissement de ses missions. A cet effet, elle a, notamment, le pouvoir de :

- se saisir d'office ou être saisie par le Président de la République, le Président de l'Assemblée nationale et le Président du Sénat sur la base des indices probants ;

- mener des enquêtes ou investigations sur les faits de corruption, de concussion et de fraude;
- obtenir de toute autorité publique ou de toute personne physique ou morale la communication des informations et des documents dans le cadre des investigations qu'elle entreprend;
- protéger l'identité des témoins, des complices et des auteurs présumés coupables des actes de corruption, de concussion, de fraude et d'autres infractions assimilées.

### ADRESSE DE LA HALC

N°22, rue Lucien FOURNEAU (ex. Ambassade de Cuba) - centre-ville.



## HAUTE AUTORITE DE LUTTE CONTRE LA CORRUPTION (HALC)

CELEBRATION DE  
LA 5<sup>ème</sup> JOURNÉE AFRICAINE  
DE LUTTE CONTRE LA CORRUPTION

Thème :

COMMUNAUTE ECONOMIQUE  
REGIONALE : ACTEUR ESSENTIEL DANS LA  
MISE EN ŒUVRE DE LA CONVENTION DE  
L'UNION AFRICAINE SUR LA PREVENTION  
ET LA LUTTE CONTRE LA CORRUPTION

11 juillet 2021

## SENSIBILISATION A L'UTILISATION DU NUMERO VERT DE LA HALC

Hé, vous !



TOUS, DENONÇONS LA CORRUPTION

AU **1023**.

C'EST FACILE, VOUS APPELEZ

GRATUITEMENT

VOUS ETES NI VU, NI CONNU ET VOUS  
ETES PROTEGES (Art. 3, alinéa 4 de la loi

loi n°3-2019 du 07/02/2019).

## LA HALC

C'EST LA HAUTE AUTORITÉ DE LUTTE CONTRE  
LA CORRUPTION

AVEC LA HALC,  
CHASSONS LA CORRUPTION  
DE NOTRE PAYS



**STOP**  
**CORRUPTION**

*Adhérons tous à ce combat  
pour le bien-être de la Nation*

## POURQUOI DENONCER LA CORRUPTION ?

Dénoncer la corruption en appelant le  
numéro vert **1023**, c'est :

- ∞ votre façon la plus simple de lutter  
contre la corruption ;
- ∞ votre façon d'arrêter la destruction du  
pays par les corrupteurs ;
- ∞ votre façon d'arrêter le fléau de la  
corruption ;
- ∞ votre manière de donner du travail à  
la HALC en investiguant sur les  
corrupteurs dénoncés.

Alors, dénonces vite au **1023** le  
corrompu que tu connais.

### II.3- CANCELLED ACTIVITIES

The following activities were simply cancelled, mainly due to cash-flow constraints, but also due to the delay in the implementation of the toll-free number. Indeed, the cancelled activities should have included a dramatised invitation to use the hotline.

These activities are:

- 1) the broadcasting of the TV spot on 11 July;
- 2) the public conference on : "2) the public conference on the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption, with the launch of the use of the hotline;
- 3) the production of a sketch on the "corruption recreation is over".

**The table below shows the level of achievement of each activity planned for this celebration.**

<b>Planned activities carried out,</b>	<b>Activities carried out</b>	<b>Activities under way</b>	<b>Cancelled</b>
Declaration of the HALC chairperson in the media	Done		
Broadcast of a spot on 11 July			Cancelled
Dissemination of anti-corruption messages and the use of the hotline in non-media environments.	Produced on the banners	In the process of being produced on the giant panels and on the flyers.	
Public conference on : "The African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption", with the launch of the use of the toll-free number			Cancelled

### III- BUDGETARY COVERAGE OF THE ACTIVITY

The activities selected as part of the celebration of African Anti-Corruption Day are entirely covered by the HALC's budget. The TOR, in accordance with the 2021 Annual work plan, provided for a revised overall budget of seven million seven hundred and forty-five thousand (7,745,000) CFA francs.

To date, 38.86% of this budget, i.e. 3,010,000 CFA francs, has been executed, taking into account the achievements already made.

### CONCLUSION

In sum, the HALC, despite its financial difficulties, has once again shown through the organisation of this day's commemoration that it does not intend to give up and that it is expressing itself to mark its presence as a key player in the anti-corruption system in Congo.

**Done in Brazzaville, 30 July 2021**

**The Head of the Department of Prevention,  
Awareness and Communication**

**Germain LOUBOTA**

**APPENDIX**

**DECLARATION BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HIGH AUTHORITY FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION ON THE AFRICAN DAY AGAINST CORRUPTION**

**Congolese,**

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**Ladies and Gentlemen,**

Congo, like the other member countries of the African Union, is celebrating Africa Anti-Corruption Day.

11 July 2003 marks the adoption, in Maputo, Mozambique, of the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption, which came into force three years later, on 5 August 2006.

Established by the summit of African Heads of State, the African Anti-Corruption Day aims to converge the efforts of African countries towards the eradication of corruption that is ruining the continent.

By ratifying the convention in 2006, the Congo reiterated the unwavering commitment of the Head of State, Denis Sassou Nguesso, and his government to fight against corruption in its various aspects, including bribery, fraud and related offences.

Following up on this commitment, the political will of the Congo to combat this scourge was demonstrated by the adoption of Law No. 3-2019 of 7 February 2019 creating the High Authority for the Fight against Corruption (HALC), an independent administrative entity with legal personality and financial autonomy.

This year, which marks the fifth edition, the theme chosen by the African Union for the celebration of Africa Anti-Corruption Day is: "Regional Economic Communities: Key Actors in the Implementation of the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption".

Indeed, the provisions of the African Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption provide for the participation of the various public and private components of States Parties, including civil society, the media and international organisations in this fight on the continent.

The High Authority for the Fight against Corruption, in order to comply with the African Union Convention, promotes in its 2021 work plan of activities, anti-corruption governance through collaboration with national institutions and agencies as well as local authorities.

With the awareness-raising that began immediately after the establishment, not yet completed, of its operational capacities, the responsibility of actors in the public administration, the private sector, civil society and the media, is required to become more involved in this fight through awareness-raising, education of the population, and above all the denunciation of corruption.

Every citizen is invited to get actively involved in this fight, by practising a policy of zero tolerance, as desired by the high authorities of the Congo, in order to create a national synergy against this scourge with disastrous consequences for our economies and our populations.

The launch in a few hours, on this celebration of 11 July 2021, of our hotline, 1023, a free call, should allow us to identify the extent of this challenge.

Taking advantage of the theme of the 5th edition of the African Anti-Corruption Day, which calls for collaboration with the Regional Economic Communities, the HALC will have to explore all possibilities leading to greater collaboration with the anti-corruption structures of the sub-region, in order to join efforts in this area.

Economic actors, an essential element of the African Union's regional economic communities, should make a firm commitment to the fight against this scourge.

It is at the heart of the private sector's economic activities that corruption occurs, particularly in the awarding of contracts and property rights, and in the payment of bribes. The private sector, by saying no to corrupt acts, would benefit from reducing the harms of corruption.

Such efforts associated with the efforts of the Regional Economic Communities in the fight against corruption, I am convinced, would promote the conditions for economic emergence in the sub-region and sustainable development to meet the basic needs of our citizens.

**Happy celebrations to all!**

**Long live Congo!**

**No to corruption**

**Thank you for your support**