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Statement by the Chief Prosecutor Luis Moreno-Ocampo on the confirmation of the death of Raska Lukwiya

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Examinations and forensic tests conducted by the Government of Uganda with the assistance of the Office of the Prosecutor have confirmed that Raska Lukwiya was killed on 12 August 2006 during a fire fight between the UPDF and the LRA.

Lukwiya was named in an ICC warrant of arrest charging him with crimes against humanity and war crimes. Lukwiya was alleged to have served in the inner circle of Joseph Kony's highest commanders in the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA).

In the warrant of arrest, Lukwiya was said to have functioned as Army Commander in early 2004, a period during which the LRA was perpetrating its most deadly attacks upon the civilian population of Northern Uganda. Lukwiya was charged on one count of crimes against humanity - enslavement and three counts of war crimes - cruel treatment of civilians, intentionally directing an attack against a civilian population, and pillaging.