

International Criminal Court

Information and Outreach in the Democratic Republic of the Congo Monthly Activity Report – April 2008

Overall objectives:

- Reach segments of previously untargeted populations
- Foster greater understanding of the Court
- Focus minds on the forthcoming Court hearings
- Set up listeners' clubs

Activity	Date	Location	Summary	Evaluation tools
Outreach to teachers	01 April	Aru, Ituri	This meeting was one of a number of	
in Aru	2008		activities intended to provide 118	
			primary and secondary teachers with	
			accurate information on the Court, to	
			foster greater understanding of how	
			the Court operates and thereby	
			prepare the ground for mass outreach	
			to pupils. The issues addressed	
			included general information on the	
			Court, as well as the two ongoing	
			cases. At the end of the presentation,	
			the audience wanted to know	
			whether other Ituri militia leaders	
			would be prosecuted. Questions were	
			also asked about victim participation	
			and the Trust Fund for Victims.	
Open forum with	02 April	Mahagi, Ituri	Consultation meeting with church	Attendance list
members of the	2008		and mosque representatives and	
Mahagi Commission			members of the Commission Justice et	
Justice et Paix			Paix in Mahagi with a view to setting	
			up a programme for organising	
			outreach days on the ICC in their	
			respective churches. As was the case	
			for Bunia, we used contacts in	
			churches to reach grassroots	

			communities Deutidinant 04 mm	
			communities. Participants: 94 pastors,	
			deacons and other religious	
			representatives.	
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Setting up listeners'	From 31	Bunia	In each of these regions, the	Audience report
clubs	March to	Mahagi	delegation from the Court gave out	
	04 April	Aru	radios and recorders to leaders of	
	2008	Kasenyi	listeners' clubs. Listeners' clubs are	
		Mambassa –	organised around local radio stations	
		Ituri	and bring together a representative	
			number of village communities to	
			listen to radio broadcasts on the ICC.	
			The membership in each club varies	
			from 50 to 100, depending on the	
			village. The handover of equipment	
			was always preceded by a	
			presentation on the ICC.	
			2000 participants	
Outreach mission in	23 April	Nyakunde,	At the invitation of MONUC's	Evaluation sheet
Nyakunde	2008	Ituri	Human Rights Division, the ICC	Attendance list
			travelled to Nyakunde, chiefdom of	
			Irumu Territory, for an information	
			day on developments at the Court,	
			particularly the confirmation hearing	
			in the case of <i>The Prosecutor v. Germain</i>	
			Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo as well	
			as the start of the Lubanga trial. This	
			meeting took place at the	
			administrative headquarters of the	
			collectivité and brought together 55	
			prominent local figures including	
			groupement chiefs, school heads,	
			collectivité chiefs, the police and	
			military authorities, prominent	
			business people, the president of civil	
			society and the medical staff of	
			Nyakunde General Reference	
			Hospital.	
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Outreach session in	24 April	Marabo, Ituri	At the invitation of MONUC's	Evaluation sheet
Marabo, 25 km from	2008		Human Rights Division, the ICC	Attendance list
Bunia.			travelled to Marabo, a village located	

Briefing for Bunia listeners' clubs Information meeting on victims' rights	26 April 2008 30 April 2008	Bunia, Ituri Bunia, Ituri	25 km away from Bunia and inhabited mainly by fishermen, many of whom were victims of clashes which have taken place in this <i>localité</i> . 63 participants Briefing for 12 members of Bunia listeners' clubs on how the clubs work. The activity took place at the headquarters of the NGO Bassadi in	
before the Court for people in Bunia who			Ngezi neighbourhood and consisted of informing 106 displaced people	
have been displaced			about victims' rights before the Court.	
by war				
Radio Okapi broadcast "Institution, c'est facile à comprendre"	From 31 March – 06 April 2008	Radio Okapi Kinshasa	This programme is produced by Radio Okapi, the UN radio station. Time of broadcast: approx. 5 minutes. Broadcast during the first week of every month in 5 versions: French (Mondays), Swahili (Tuesdays), Tshiluba (Wednesdays), Kikongo (Thursdays) and Lingala (Fridays). Twice daily. This programme aims to explain how the Court works. The questions are mainly from listeners. Radio Okapi broadcasts throughout the country and reaches approximately 25 million people.	Radio broadcast Listener feedback
Broadcast of the programme "Connaître la Cour Pénale Internationale" by Ituri radio stations	From 01 to 25 April 2008	Radio Amkeni (Mambassa), Radio Colombe (Mahagi), Radio Tempête du Lac (Kasenyi), Radio Océan (Aru) – Ituri.	Programmes produced by the Court were broadcast in French and in local languages.	Audience report

Live programme on Ituri radio stations	From 28 to 30 April 2008	Radio Amkeni (Mambassa), Radio Colombe (Mahagi), Radio Tempête du Lac (Kasenyi), Radio Océan (Aru) – Ituri.	Following the broadcasting of the "Connaître la Cour Pénale Internationale" programmes throughout the month, members of listeners' clubs and other listeners sent in their questions, which the ICC answered live on air.	Audience report
Programme "Droit et Devoir"	From 07 to 13 April 2008	Radio Okapi Kinshasa	This programme is produced by Radio Okapi, the UN radio station. Time of broadcast: approx. 5 minutes. Broadcast during the second week of every month in 5 versions: French (Mondays), Swahili (Tuesdays), Tshiluba (Wednesdays), Kikongo (Thursdays) and Lingala (Fridays). Twice daily. The questions are mainly from listeners. Radio Okapi broadcasts throughout the country and reaches approximately 25 million people.	Radio broadcast Listener feedback
Seminar: Proceedings before the ICC.	21 April 2008	Kinshasa	At the request of the Gombe Kinshasa Bar, the ICC took part in a seminar on proceedings before the ICC. Presentations on issues such as victim participation and complementarity were given by lawyers and legal representatives at the ICC, as well the <i>Auditorat Général</i> of the Military Court. 153 participants	Evaluation sheet Attendance list
Publishers' forum: What kind of transitional justice for the DRC?	29 April 2008	Kinshasa	What role can the media play in implementing transitional justice in the DRC? This was the topic of a half-day forum organised on the initiative of the BBC World Trust foundation and the ICTJ (International Center for Transitional Justice). Journalists, lawyers and activists of various kinds compared their ideas in an attempt to	Attendance list

put forward a transitional justice	
model which is appropriate to the	
situation in the DRC. We set out the	
outreach challenges with respect to	
enabling victims to participate in	
proceedings.	
Participants: approximately 50	
journalists.	