



Weekly Report

Mali

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“Those bodies would not be from our clash. We always bury our corpses where they died.” – Hubert de Quievrecourt (Spokesman for French operations in Mali)

The ICC investigates in Mali

- The ICC pursues its mission with no territorial limits.
- Regarding several African states’ desire to withdraw from the Rome Statute, the withdrawal will only take effect in one year, meaning that the current investigations conducted by the ICC will remain.
- In Mali, the ICC is investigating in the 3 Northern regions, with regards to crimes against humanity, murders, torture, rape, etc.
- Link to article in Malian press (French):

<http://maliactu.net/fadi-el-abdallah-porte-parole-la-cpi-enquete-au-mali-sans-limite-geographique/>

French forces kill Islamists

- 19 people - Islamists - have been killed following a clash with French forces in Northern Mali.
- No casualties were reported on the French side.
- Some reports claimed that the bodies were left in the sun, before being spotted by nomads; the French troops’ spokesperson denied those claims.
- Link to BBC article (English):

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-25332148>