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More than 100 Muslims escorted from Bangui by French troops

- A witness told Reuters that 150 French peacekeepers escorted a group of 102 Muslims from the PK-12 neighbourhood in Bangui to Bambari, a town 300 km northeast of the city.
- The journey to Bambari saw almost no violence.
- Source: Reuters

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/04/21/us-centralafrica-muslims-idUSBREA3K13Y20140421>

Ban Ki-moon makes radio appeal to Central African Republic

- Following up on his recent visit to the Central African Republic, Ban Ki-moon made a radio address urging people to end the inter-communal violence.
- He encouraged civilians not to give in to the extremists polarizing the country along religious divides.
- Source: UN News Centre

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=47609&Cr=central+african+republic&Cr1=#.U1qJ5pUb29Y>

*"Your future is not
partition and
bloodshed. It must be
unity and peace*

—Ban Ki-moon in radio
address

Seleka rebels calling for partition

- Seleka rebels are calling for the establishment of a new country and secession from the Central African Republic.
- A proposed name - The Republic of Northern Central Africa - and a design for a national flag, have been circulating by mobile phone.
- This radical solution is not supported by the UN, the African Union or France.
- Source: The Guardian

<http://www.theguardian.com/world/2014/apr/25/central-african-republic-muslim-seleka-rebels-demand-secession-sectarianism>