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"Côte d'Ivoire is on the way of recovering from 10 years of violent crisis, but it is just a process because the crisis has been very deep...It will take time for Côte d'Ivoire to totally recover but I feel the grounds have been rebuilt and the basis is there for recovery."

- Doudou Diène

United Nations Special Rapporteur on Côte d'Ivoire

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- The UN Special Rapporteur assessing the human rights situation in Côte d'Ivoire, expressed concern over unresolved issues in the national reconciliation process and stressed that "impartial justice for all" is the key to stability and recovery.
- Among people thus far charged with committing crimes in 2010, only partisans of former president Laurent Gbagbo are being tried or imprisoned. The Special Rapporteur emphasized that "all that have committed violent crimes whatever their political, ethnic or tribal or religious background should be tried".
- The Special Rapporteur also urged for an overhaul of the country's independent electoral commission ahead of the 2015 elections.
- Source: Spy Ghana

<http://www.spyghana.com/reconciliation-will-come-to-cote-divoire-in-impartial-justice/>

Voluntary refugee repatriation to Côte d'Ivoire high during first 3 months of 2014

- 8,000 Ivorian refugees have repatriated from Liberia in less than three months this year and over 18,000 in 2013.
- The Tripartite Commission for the Voluntary Repatriation of Ivorian refugees (including the Governments of Côte d'Ivoire and Liberia, as well as the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) regularly reviews the tripartite mechanism.
- UNHCR expressed concern about recent incidents at the border and reminded the two Governments to take all appropriate measures to ensure an environment that does not slow down the momentum on voluntary repatriation.
- Source: Front Page Africa

<http://www.frontpageafricaonline.com/index.php/news/1191-tripartite-commission-lauds-refugee-return-to-cote-d-ivoire>