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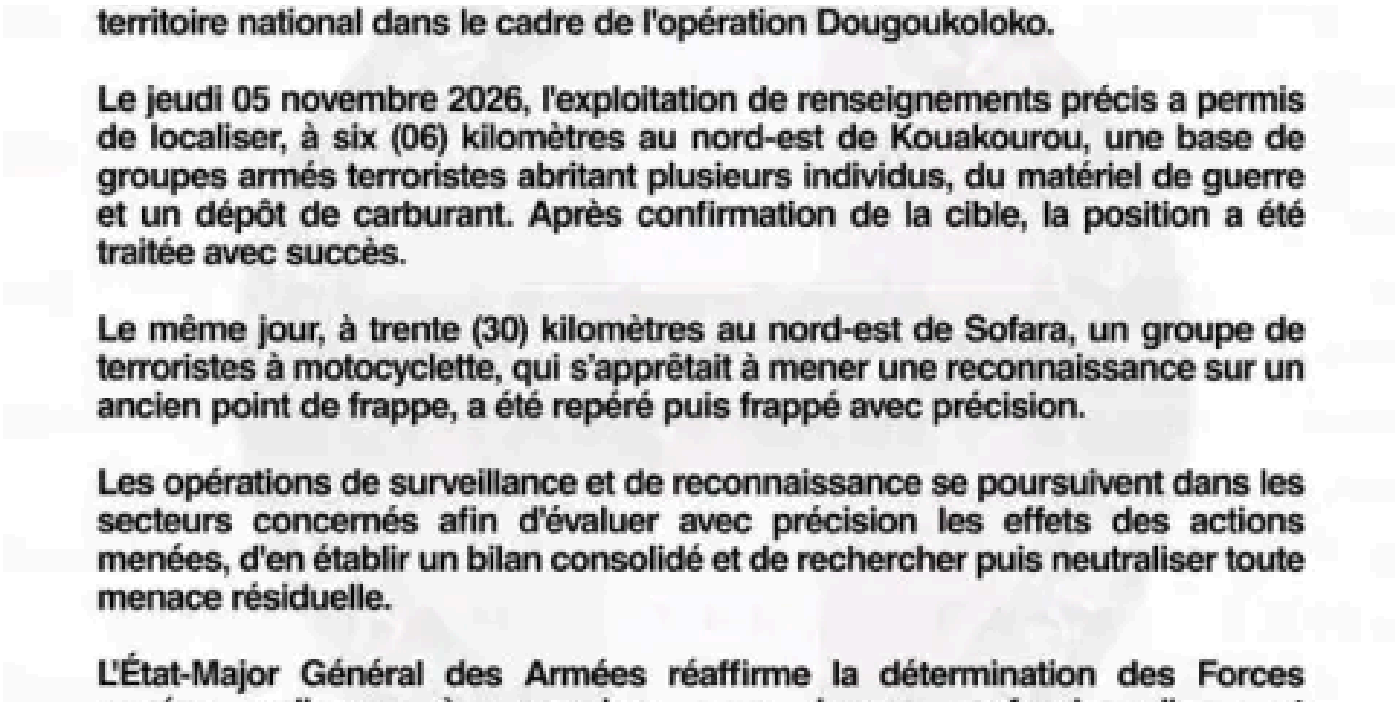
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The statement explained that these operations fall under **Operation "Dougoukoloko,"** which encompasses surveillance, reconnaissance, field control, and area security activities. The objective is to track the movements of armed groups and expand the presence of government forces throughout Malian territory.

The General Staff affirmed that these operations will continue in coordination with partners, as part of the mandate entrusted to the armed forces to protect national territory and maintain security and stability.

Source: General Staff of the Malian Armed Forces (FAMa).

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Mali | Urgent health alert in Bamako as hundreds of gold miners arrive from Guinea

Secretary-General · 21:30



Les autorités sanitaires maliennes ont décrété un état d'alerte médicale dans la capitale, Bamako, suite à l'arrivée massive de travailleurs du secteur de l'orpaillage, originaires de divers pays d'Afrique de l'Ouest. Cet afflux fait suite aux mesures prises par les autorités guinéennes interdisant les activités d'extraction aurifère dans la région de Siguiri.

Dans ce contexte, la ministre de la Santé, le colonel Assa Badiallo Touré, a effectué, le vendredi 6 novembre 2026, une visite sur le terrain dans plusieurs établissements de santé de Bamako afin de s'enquérir de l'état des patients et des blessés, et de suivre la prise en charge médicale qui leur est prodiguée.

Bilan des interventions sanitaires :

- **Centre Hospitalier Universitaire (CHU) Gabriel Touré :** 42 personnes ont été admises en l'espace de 72 heures, dont deux femmes enceintes — l'une d'elles a accouché sur place. Une prise en charge médicale complète a été assurée dans le cadre du déclenchement du « Plan Blanc » (dispositif d'urgence hospitalière).

- **Centre de Santé de Référence de la Commune IV (CSREF Commune IV) :** 92 travailleurs du secteur de l'orpaillage, incluant des ressortissants burkinabè, y ont été accueillis ; des soins médicaux ainsi que des repas leur ont été fournis.

La réponse médicale a consisté en des interventions urgentes pour les cas critiques, un tri des patients selon la gravité de leur état, et une coordination renforcée avec la Protection civile pour le transfert des personnes nécessitant des soins. Par ailleurs, des unités de soutien et de prise en charge psychologique ont été activées.

Une aide médicale et humanitaire a également été distribuée, comprenant des équipements d'urgence, des traitements pour les blessures et les traumatismes, des anti-inflammatoires, ainsi que des couvertures, des denrées alimentaires et des produits de première nécessité. Ces mesures reflètent l'ampleur de la pression humanitaire et sanitaire découlant des répercussions des restrictions imposées aux activités d'orpaillage en Guinée, lesquelles ont entraîné le déplacement d'un grand nombre de travailleurs du secteur vers le Mali.

Source : Ministère de la Santé et du Développement social du Mali.

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Burkina Faso | Military operation ends with the killing of a prominent field commander from armed groups

Secretary-General · 21:01



A high-ranking security source has reported that the Burkinabe Armed Forces successfully neutralized militant leader Saidou Diallo—known as **"The One-Eyed"**—during a military operation in the Konga Forest, located in the Gomboro commune of the Sourou province.

According to the source, Diallo served as a deputy field commander for militant groups in the Konga and Gomboro areas and was a key figure in the groups' support and logistical supply networks.

Security intelligence indicates that his role extended beyond field operations; he was also responsible for managing the sale of livestock stolen from local residents, using the proceeds to fund the groups' requirements, as well as procuring military uniforms and essential equipment for their members.

If confirmed, Diallo's death represents a significant blow to the militant groups' field command structure and logistical supply networks in the region—particularly given his critical role in securing resources, equipment, and support for their field operations.

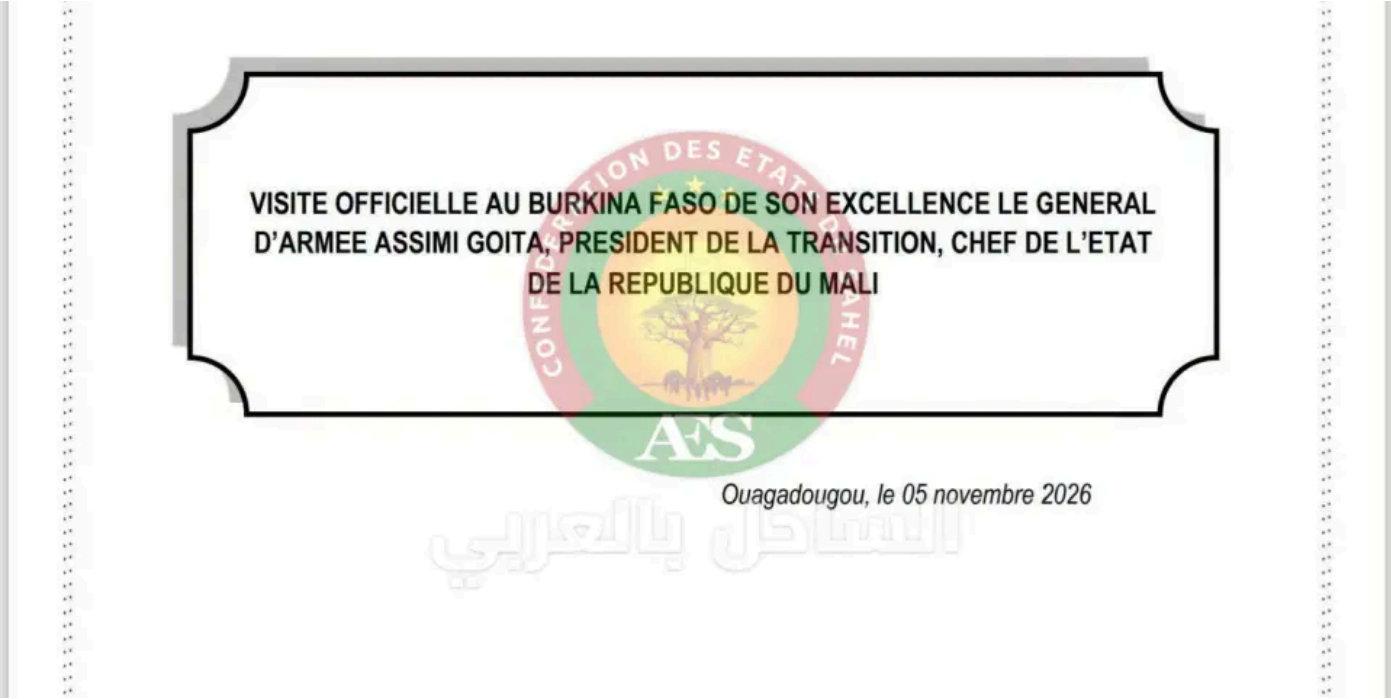
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Mali and Burkina Faso | President Assimi Goïta on an official visit to Ouagadougou to strengthen coordination among Sahel nations

Secretary-General · 23:14



The visit takes place within the context of bilateral relations between the two countries and as part of ongoing coordination between Bamako and Ouagadougou, both of which are members of the Alliance of Sahel States (AES)—an alliance that also includes the Republic of Niger.

The visit is particularly significant given the security, political, and economic challenges facing the Sahel region, as well as the need to strengthen consultation and cooperation among member states—especially regarding security, counter-terrorism, border protection, and the development of mechanisms for regional integration.

Furthermore, this visit is part of broader diplomatic efforts aimed at bolstering ties between Mali and Burkina Faso and coordinating their positions on issues of common interest within the framework of the Alliance of Sahel States.

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DOMESTIC

Mali | A new front opens in the battle for sovereignty: Media as a strategic weapon to counter disinformation and bolster the influence of Sahel nations

Secretary-General · 22:50



In a move reflecting the growing importance of media within Mali's national and regional strategy, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Abdoulaye Diop, emphasized that the capacity to produce information and shape media discourse has become a fundamental component of the battle for national sovereignty, security, and the enhancement of international influence.

This statement was made on Thursday, November 5, 2026, during the opening ceremony of the fifth edition of the **Mali Media Salon** in the capital, Bamako. The event was attended by the Minister of Communication, members of the diplomatic corps, and several prominent figures from the media sector.

In his address as the patron of this edition, Diop noted that the world is witnessing an escalation of what he termed an "information war," characterized by the spread of disinformation and the manipulation of information. He stressed that media is no longer merely a tool for conveying news; rather, it has become a decisive factor in safeguarding national sovereignty, strengthening security and social cohesion, and solidifying a nation's international presence.

He explained that a country's standing on the global stage is no longer determined solely by its political, economic, and diplomatic capabilities; it now also depends on its ability to craft its own narrative, control the flow of its information, and communicate its vision to the international public.

In the same context, the Foreign Minister praised the vision of the leadership of the Alliance of Sahel States (AES) regarding the launch of the television channel **Tafouk TV** and the radio station **Daandè Liptako**. He described these as media initiatives aimed at improving access to information for the peoples of the Sahel region, while empowering the member states of the Alliance with media tools that allow them to present their own history, positions, and perspectives on regional and international developments. Diop also emphasized the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' interest in media initiatives that

contribute to improving Mali’s international image, strengthening its external presence, and expanding cooperation between Malian media professionals and their counterparts in other countries.

The event concluded by underscoring the importance of developing national media expertise, fostering innovation, enhancing professional capabilities, and building sustainable partnerships that contribute to the advancement of the media landscape in Mali and the Sahel region.

Strategic Analysis:

The Foreign Minister’s remarks reflect a growing trend within Mali and the nations of the Alliance of Sahel States (AES) to incorporate media as a tool for national sovereignty and strategic influence—particularly amid the ongoing competition to shape narratives surrounding the security and political situation in the region.

Furthermore, the focus on launching joint media institutions signals the member states' ambition to bolster their presence within the regional and international media space, while expanding their capacity to engage public opinion and articulate their own perspectives on issues concerning the African Sahel.

Source: Malian Government Media Center (CIGMA) – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.

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