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MONUSCO announces the Ebola-related death of a subcontracted worker in Bunia (Ituri)

Kinshasa, 18 June 2026 – MONUSCO has learned with sadness of the death from Ebola of a subcontracted worker locally recruited in Bunia by a company under contract with the Mission. According to confirmed information, he had not worked in MONUSCO since 22 May 2026 and therefore had not been present on Mission premises for more than 21 days prior to the confirmation of the diagnosis.

MONUSCO extends its sincere condolences to the family, loved ones and colleagues of the deceased.

The Mission remains in close contact with the national and provincial authorities, as well as with the World Health Organization (WHO) in relation to this death and continues to apply preventive measures in line with established public health guidance.

MONUSCO also reiterates the importance of relying on the latest official public health information and refraining from circulating unverified reports.

The Mission remains committed, within its mandate and capacities, to support the authorities and partners in efforts to protect communities and help contain the outbreak.

The Mission also remains fully committed to continuing the full implementation of its mandated tasks in support of the people of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.