

**ANTI-CORRUPTION ORGANISATION****May 2018 Report****Highlights**

- Two (02) new complaint files opened this month
- AC hotline received **23** calls this month
- Health Corruption hotline received **9** calls this month
- A total of **200** brochures distributed and **150** posters pasted in Yaounde

**General**

The AC hotline phone registered 23 calls this month of May 2018 with a total of 13 complaints. 08 complaints on corruption and corruption related offenses and 5 non corruption related offenses.

AC volunteers made several investigative field missions following complaints gathered from the field and calls received through the hotline phones.

Two (02) new complaint files opened this month.

A new case file on bribery and extortion was opened this month. The complainant reported that an employee of the Yaounde 13<sup>th</sup> Divisional Tax Center at Ekounou had solicited 250,000 FCFA from him as bribe before he could be allowed to operate his boutique. He had already paid an advance of 50,000 F CFA and only called AC when he had to go pay the remaining 200,000 F CFA. AC was unable to investigate this claim further because the victim bailed out on AC after the first informative visit to the tax office where the payment was supposed to take place failed due to the offender's absence. AC intends to intensify field work at the Ekounou market area and surrounding in order to recruit more victims with similar complaints.

Another case on corruption was opened this month. The complainant reported a worker with the Litigation service at the prime ministry for acts involving corruption and false pretense. According to him, the offender told him that he had the power to influence the employment outcome during the mass recruitment program of recruiting 25,000 youths into the civil service by the government as follow-up to the first phase because they were unable to get all the required candidates and will facilitate the recruitment of his children if he is given money. Believing these false facts, he then paid 300,000 F CFA for the recruitment for six members of his family; being

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50,000 F CFA for each child but none have been recruited since 2014. Investigations are ongoing.

The distribution of brochures and pasting of posters continued to be the major activity carried out this month in a bid to recruit more victims of corruption. 150 Posters were pasted and 200 brochures distributed in corruption hotspots like the Mfoundi market and surrounding and Essos market and surrounding.

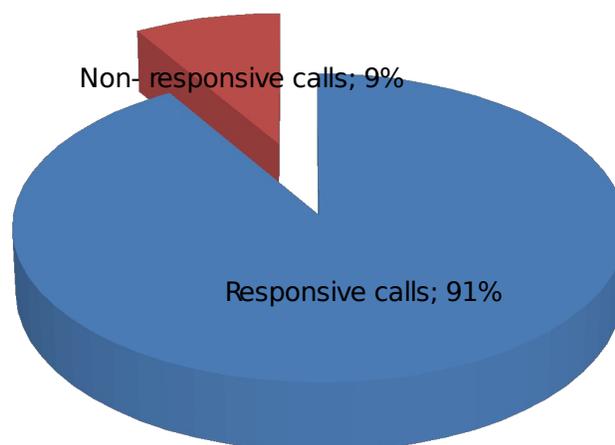
Case follow-up continued this month as in the previous month of April continued on the corruption case involving many counts with about three hundred victims deposited at the court of First Instance in the month of August 2017. The lawyer, on the request of the president of the Court of Appeal, had also seized the services of the attorney general at the Court of Appeal in January 2018 with two copies of the case file as the competent service that has to transmit the case file to the president of the Appellate Court for the designation of the competent court and judge to hear the matter.

### AC Hotline Phone

The AC hotline phone received 23 calls this month of May 2018 registering eight (8) corruption and corruption related complaints and five non-corruption complaints.

The calls have been analyzed and represented on charts as seen below;

## AC Hotline Calls Split May 2018



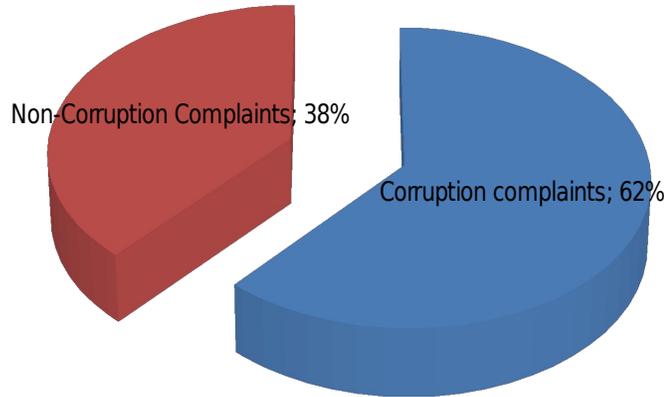
Responsive calls this month of May 2018 represented 91% while 9% of callers' numbers were non-responsive.

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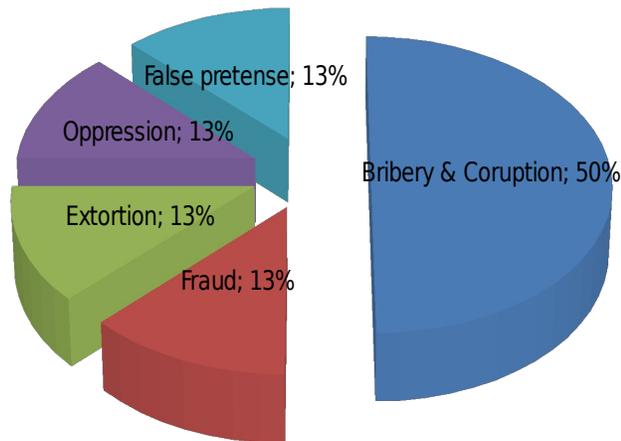
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## AC Hotline Responsive Calls Split May 2018



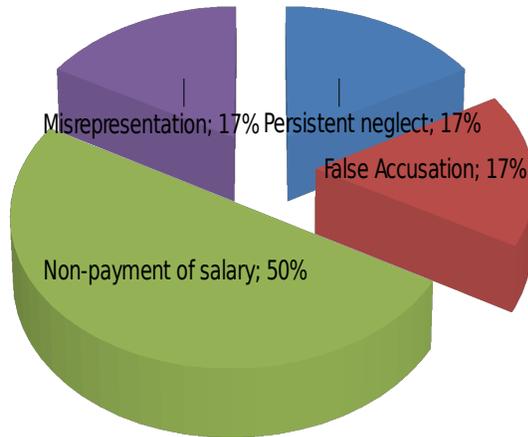
Of the responsive calls received this month, 62% of calls received represented callers who reported corruption and corruption related complaints and 38% had complaints not related to corruption to report.

## AC Hotline Corruption Complaints May 2018



As has been the trend with corruption complaints, complaints reporting bribery and corruption had the highest number representing 50% of total corruption complaints registered. Complaints on oppression and false pretense represented 13% each, while complaints on fraud and extortion represented 12% of total corruption complaints.

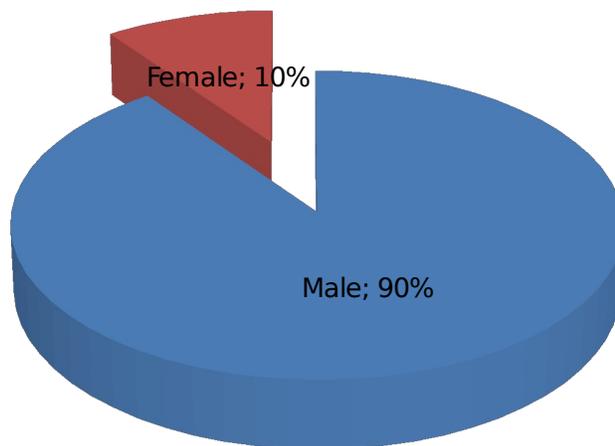
## AC Hotline Non Corruption Complaints May 2018



This month of May 2018, complaints of insistent unpaid salaries were the highest non-corruption complaints registered representing 50% of total non-corruption complaints, followed by complaints of misrepresentation and false accusation with 17% each while complaints on false accusation was least with 16%.

### Gender

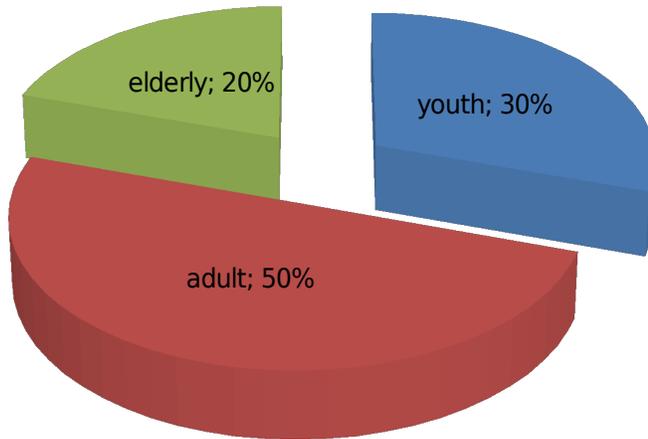
## AC Hotline Gender Split May 2018



90% of participants in calls were the male gender while the female gender made up only 10% of callers.

### Age Range of Callers

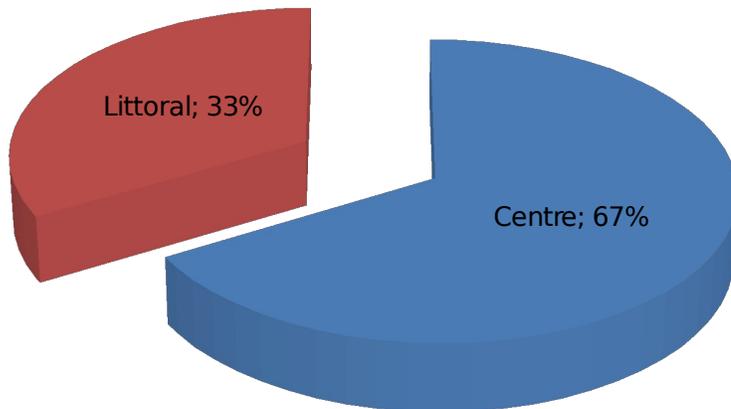
## AC Hotline Age Range Split May 2018



The adult age range participated with most calls representing 50% of total callers just like the previous month, the youth age range with 30% of calls while the elderly age range represented 20%, which is quite an increase compared to the previous months.

### Regional Representation

## AC Hotline Regional Split May 2018



Unlike the past months where more regions registered calls, only two regions were represented this month, the Centre region 67% of calls and the Littoral region with 33%.

### Investigations

Investigations were carried out on a new complaint file opened this month on bribery and extortion. AC volunteer went down to the field to investigate and determine corruption in a transaction that will have been a *flagrante delicto* corruption case if the transaction had pushed through. According to the complainant, he had just opened a commercial store in the Ekounou neighborhood and was in the process of regularizing his paperwork. A worker at the Yaounde 13<sup>th</sup> Divisional Tax Center at Ekounou who knew he had not yet declared his global tax returns for the business used the opportunity to extort money from him. He tried to explain to the offender that he has 15 days according to the tax policy to declare his tax returns and still had eight days to do so but the offender threatened that if he did not bring the 250,000 FCFA solicited, he will make sure his store is closed down.

The victim had already paid an advance of 50,000 F CFA of the 250,000 FCFA solicited when he called AC and was on his way to pay the outstanding 200,000 F CFA. The solicitor was not in the office during the proposed transaction time as he was on the field for other duties. The victim was advised to call the offender and reschedule the meeting for the next day and inform AC on time but the victim did not pick up calls when contacted by AC. This made it difficult for AC to investigate this complaint further because the victim bailed out on AC. AC is sure the victim decided to pay the amount solicited so as to operate his business without threats from the tax workers, and maybe in illegality. Nevertheless, AC intends to intensify field work at the Ekounou market area in order to recruit more victims with similar complaints.

Investigations were also carried out on a new complaint case on corruption opened this month. The complainant reported a worker with the Litigation service at the prime ministry for acts involving corruption and false pretense. According to him, the offender told him that he had the power to influence the employment outcome during the mass recruitment program of recruiting 25,000 youths into the civil service by the government as follow-up to the first phase because they were unable to get all the required candidates and will facilitate the recruitment of his children if he is given money. Believing these false facts, he then paid 300,000 F CFA for the recruitment for six members of his family; being 50,000 F CFA for each child but none have been recruited since 2014. Investigations are ongoing.

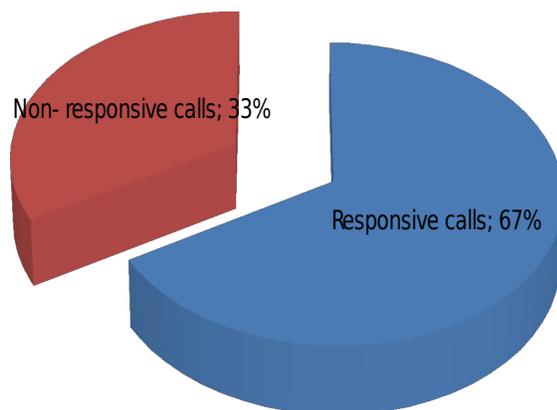
### **Legal follow-up**

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### **Health Corruption Hotline**

The Health Corruption hotline received 9 calls this month of May 2018, six of which were responsive calls while three were nonresponsive calls. No complaints were registered this month. Data from the calls has been analyzed as is represented on charts below.

## **Health Corruption Hotline Calls Split May 2018**



67% of calls received through the Health Corruption phone were responsive while 33% of calls were non responsive.

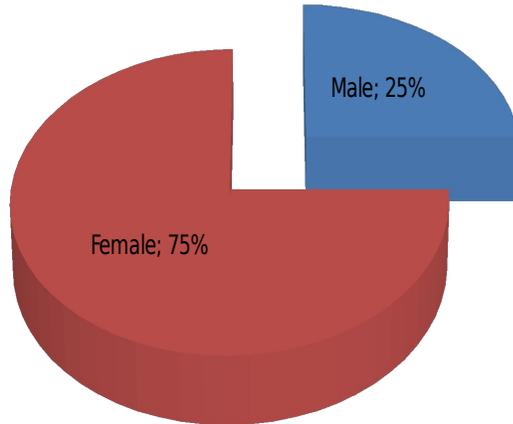
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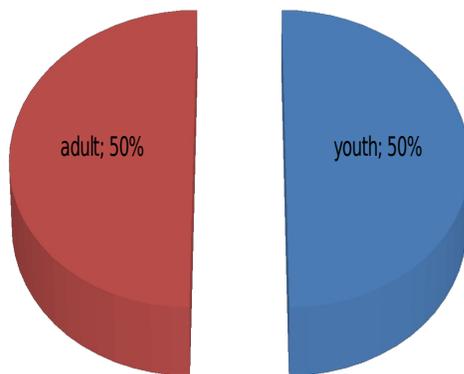
**Health Corruption Hotline Gender Split May 2018**



The female gender participated with 75% of total calls while the male gender with just 25% of calls.

**Age Range of Callers**

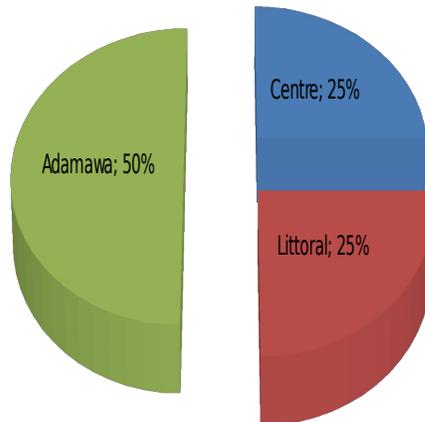
**Health Corruption Hotline Age-Range of Callers May 2018**



This month of May 2018, the youth and the adult age ranges both participated with 50% of calls each while the elderly age range did not participate in calls.

## Regional Representation

### Health Corruption Hotline Regional Representation May 2018



This month of May 2018, the Adamawa region had the highest number of calls representing 50% of total calls, while the Littoral region and the Centre regions had 25% of calls each.

**Finance**

AC received funds this month from NEU FOUNDATION

<b>Amount in Francs CFA</b>	<b>Use</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount in USD</b>
10,000	AC Hotline	23 calls received	<b>\$17.1</b>
2,500	HC Hotline	9 calls received	<b>\$4.3</b>
13,000	Investigations		<b>\$22.2</b>
0	Legal	02 case follow-up	<b>\$0.0</b>
0	Media	0	<b>\$0.0</b>
350,050	Management	Co-ordination	<b>\$596.8</b>
	Office	0	<b>\$0.0</b>
<b>375,550</b>	<b>TOTAL Expenditure May 2018</b>		<b>\$640.3</b>

**Donor Financial Report May 2018**

<b>Amount in FCFA</b>	<b>Donor</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Amount in USD</b>
<b>111,914</b>		<b>Balance from April</b>	<b>\$190.8</b>
<b>375,500</b>	<b>NEU FOUNDATION</b>	<b>Received in May</b>	<b>\$640.2</b>
<b>375,550</b>		<b>Used in May</b>	<b>\$640.3</b>
<b>111,864</b>		<b>Carried forward to June</b>	<b>\$190.7</b>