ANTI-CORRUPTION ORGANISATION

April 2018 Report



Highlights

- One (01) new complaint file opened this month
- AC hotline received 18 calls this month
- Health Corruption hotline received 9 calls this month
- One (01) letter on Health Corruption written to the Ministry of Public Health
- A total of 230 brochures distributed and 213 posters pasted in Yaounde

General

The AC hotline phone received 18 calls this month of April 2018 with six (06) corruption complaints and four (4) non-corruption complaints registered.

One (01) new case file was opened this month

A new case file on bribery and corruption was opened this month. The complainant needed help to dismantle a corruption network existing between the road safety agents of the gendarmerie and weighing agents of the Ministry of Transport along the Douala-Bafoussam highway road. AC met with a lot of resistance from the gendarme commander on the field who did not want to talk with AC on any ground so AC contacted the SED, the national gendarmerie and left them with the responsibility to resolve the case.

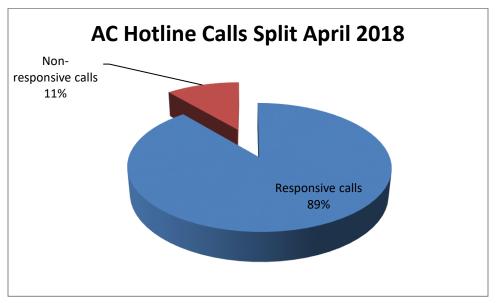
The distribution of brochures and pasting of posters continued as the major field activities carried out this month and also in a bid to recruit more victims of corruption on the field. 213 Posters were pasted and 230 brochures distributed in corruption hotspots along the streets leading up to ENAM through Ecole départementale, Chateau, Bonas and CRADAT right up to Ecole des Postes.

Case follow-up continued this month 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.

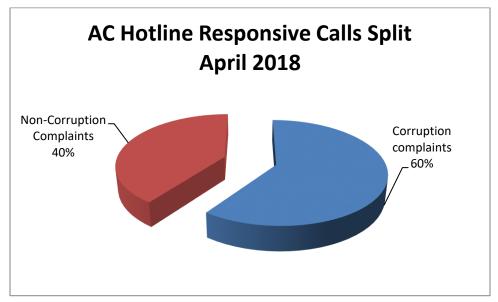
AC Hotline Phone

The AC hotline phone received 18 calls this month of April 2018 with six (6) corruption and corruption related complaints, and registered four non-corruption complaints registered.

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

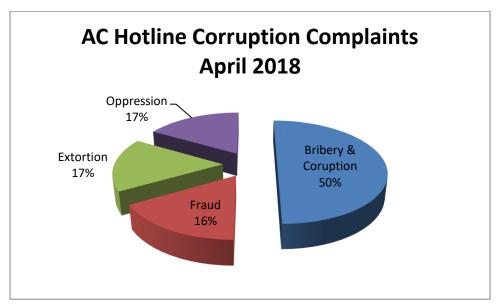


This month of April 2018, responsive calls were 89% while 11% of callers' numbers were non-responsive.

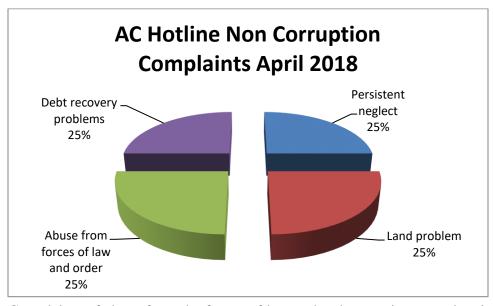


This month of April 2018, 60% of callers had corruption related complaints while 40% of callers reported non-corruption complaints but needed help in solving the complaints.

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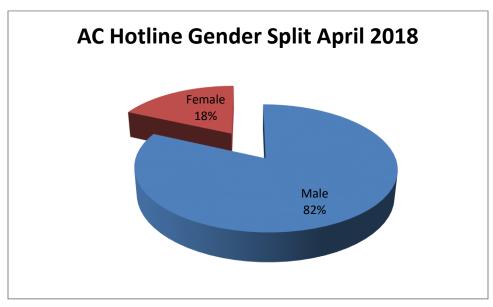


Complaints on bribery and corruption represented 50% of corruption complaints received this month, followed by complaints of oppression and extortion which had 17% each, while complaints on forgery and the use of fraud represented 16% corruption complaints registered.



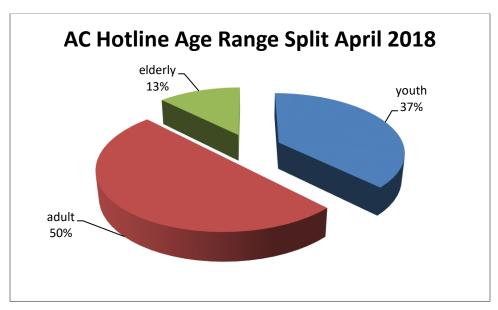
Complaints of abuse from the forces of law and order, persistent neglect in the treatment of files and documents deposited in ministries, bad faith in debt recovery and land problems represented 25% each of the non-corruption complaints registered this month.

Gender



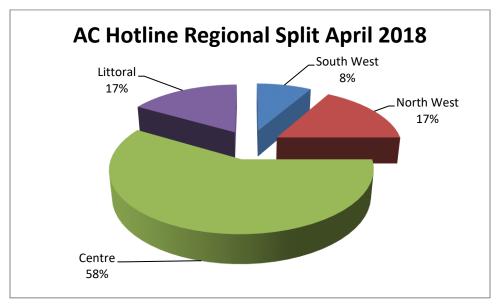
82% of participants in calls this month were the male gender while the female gender made up only 18% of callers.

Age Range of Callers



The adult age range participated with most calls representing 50% of total callers, the youth age range with 37% of calls while the elderly age range represented 13%.

Regional Representation



The Centre region registered 58% of total calls received, followed by the Littoral and North West regions representing 25% each of total calls while the South West region represented 8%.of total calls.

Investigations

Investigations were carried out in a new complaint file on bribery and corruption opened this month. The complainant reported a corruption network existing between the road safety agents of the gendarmerie and weighing agents of the Ministry of Transport along the Douala-Bafoussam highway road. He explained that his truck was weighed at the Bikoko weighing station in Douala but the agents did not stamp the listing document claiming that they could not find their stamp pads and assured him that the document alone will act as proof that the weight of the truck was taken and he was given a number to call in case he had problems along the way.

When he got to the Ngonsa-Melong junction traffic stop, he was retained in place for not producing a stamped copy of the listing document. He tried to explain to the commander in chief at the Nkongsamba brigade who refused to hear him out at first. Eventually he explained what happened and the commander called the weighing agents at Bikoko who said that they have no problems with their stamps since morning and he should be held to pay 100,000 F CFA as penalty.

AC, knowing that the penalty is not supposed to be paid to the gendarme officers on the field intervened but the commander refused to come to the phone and AC was left with the choice of contacting his superiors at the national gendarmerie, SED to resolve the matter which they did.

AC has been keeping tabs on the complainant, a truck driver and has worked with him in previous corruption attempts and can attest the legality of his car papers.

Legal follow-up

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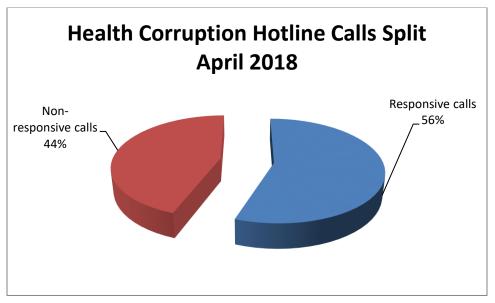
Follow-up also continued this month in the complaint file opened last month on bribery and corruption at the Nkambe municipal council where the victim had complained of untold suffering caused by unpaid salaries due to kickbacks solicited by the treasurer of the council before paying his salary. The complainant reported the treasurer of the council for soliciting 15% of his monthly pay of 50,000 FRS CFA. AC had intended to get a bailiff to attest to the facts of this case to use to pursue the corrupt official in a court of law and damages will be claimed to restore all the victim had lost but new evidence came up which spelled out that the information on kickbacks was passed through a third party, making it difficult to gather evidence using a bailiff.

AC then decided to speak to the Lord Mayor of the Nkambe council himself who explained that the category in which that worker falls within the council as a contractor are paid through a special credit which they have not received from the government since last year. He acknowledged the fact that some of those contractors have received their salary after paying kickbacks but doesn't know who, whom and by what means because the information came to him as a rumor. He promised to enter into a collaboration plan with a credit union and pay the workers while waiting for the money from the government.

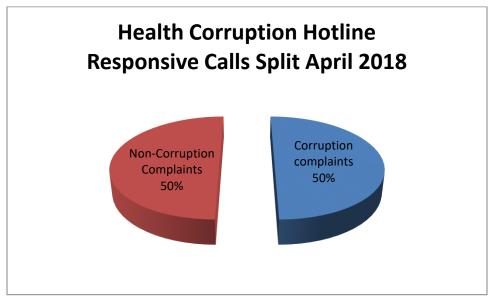
Health Corruption Hotline

The Health Corruption hotline received 9 calls this month of April 2018. A letter was written petitioning the Minister of public Health on a corruption complaint reporting the sale of subsidized Caesarean kits and Delivery kits for more than the standard price allowed by his ministry by some health personnel in some public health institutions in the South West region.

Data from the calls has been analyzed as is represented on charts below.

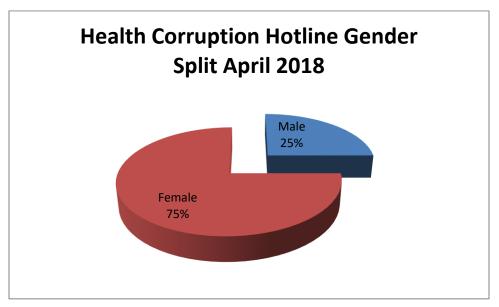


56% of calls received through the Health Corruption phone were responsive while 44% of calls were non responsive.



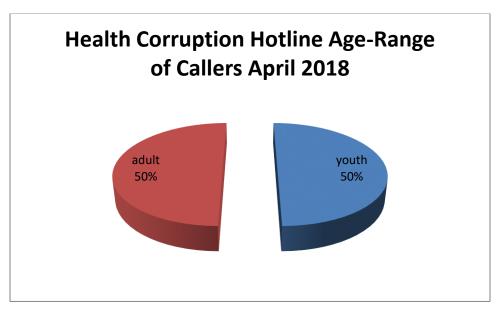
Non corruption and corruption complaints each represented 50% of callers received this April month 2018 from the health corruption phone

Gender



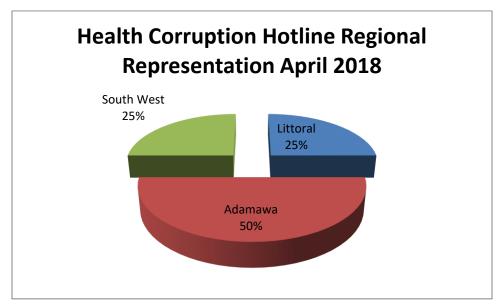
75% of callers were the female gender while the male gender accounted just for 25% of calls this month of April 2018.

Age Range of Callers



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

Regional Representation



This month of April 2018, like in the month of March, only three regions participated in calls. The Adamawa region had the highest number of calls representing 50% of total calls, while the Littoral region and the South West region had 25% of calls each.

Finance

AC received funds this month from NEU FOUNDATION

Amount in	Use	Details	Amount in USD
Francs CFA			
12,500	AC Hotline	11 calls received	\$21.3
2,500	HC Hotline	4 calls received	\$4.2
16,250	Investigations		\$27.7
0	Legal	01 case follow-up	\$0.0
0	Media	0	\$0.0
377,200	Management	Co-ordination	\$643.1
0	Office	0	
408,450	TOTAL		
	Expenditure April		\$696.4
	2018		

Donor Financial Report April 2018

Amount in FCFA	Donor	Month	Amount in USD
119,114		Balance from March	\$203.1
401,250	NEU FOUNDATION	Received in April	\$684.1
408,450		Used in April	\$696.4
111,914		Carried forward to	\$190.8
		May	