

ANTI-CORRUPTION ORGANISATION FEBRUARY ACTIVITY REPORT 2012



HIGHLIGHTS

- Two new complaint files opened this month.
- AC hotline receives **55** complaints this month
- Bailiff declaration drawn against the assistant of the Sub-Director of Land and Tenure in Nkolafamba
- Two jurist were retained for testing from a total of 5 interviewees
- A total of **100** brochures were distributed in Yaounde
- AC worked on its strategy plan for the year 2012.

GENERAL

February 2012 has been a month of restructuring and working on strategies of AC for the last year 2012. Several working sessions were held to come out with different strategies for different projects which were being validated by the Director.

This month AC successfully had a bailiff statement drawn up against the assistant of the sub-divisional officer for Nkolafamba for soliciting money before forwarding documents for land titles to the sub-divisional officer for signing.

From a total of 5 interviews, two jurists were retained for testing while two were kept on waiting list. The date for reception of motivation letters and curriculum vitae were extended in February to give the opportunity for more candidates to apply. Court areas were chosen as strategic points to past the recruitment notice this month.

Brochures were also distributed in Yaounde by the jurist to truck drivers to sensitise them on the operations of AC and get them to work with AC. A total of **100** brochures were distributed.

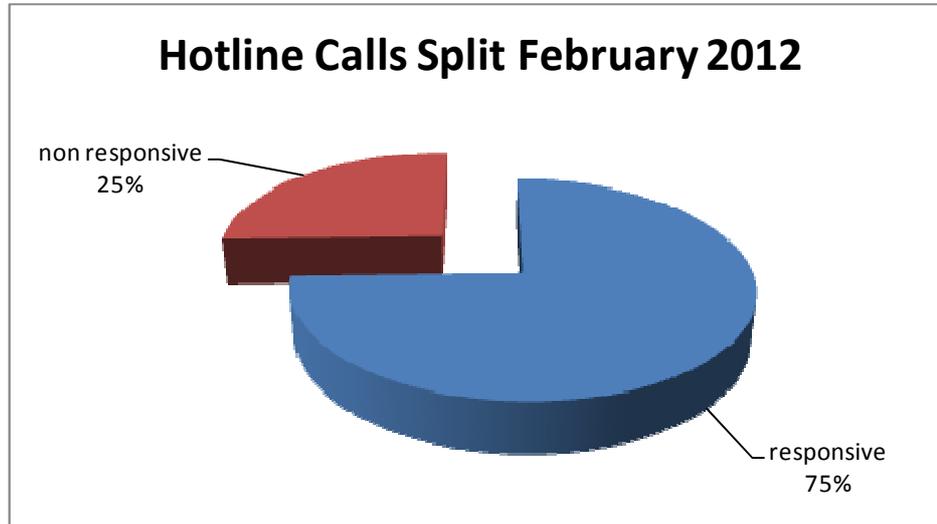
Several meetings were held by AC with truck drivers who transport goods across town and international borders. AC has been seeking to establish contact with several other syndicates so as to target corruption in the transport sector.

This month AC commenced newsbar diffusion on Ariane TV for a total of 12 days spaced at 3 days per week. Discussions with the national TV house are still ongoing.

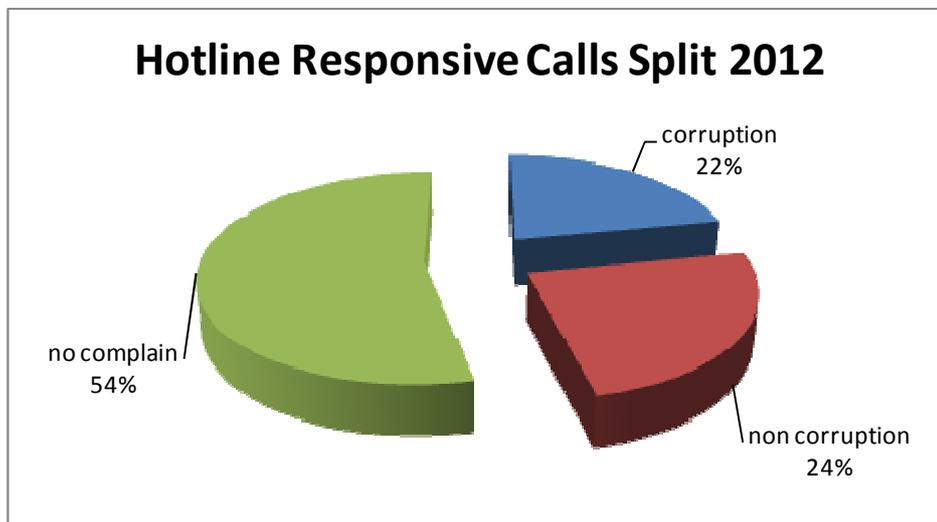
The syndicate cases of taxi-men against police officers (the first concerns two police officers working at the Nkolndongo police station against which 3 taxi drivers lodged a complaint of corruption, while the other case had four taxi drivers lodging a similar complaint against a police officer in Efulan police station) are still being followed-up by the respective lawyers.

HOTLINE

A total of **55** calls were received through the AC hotline and are illustrated by the graphs under the various categories.

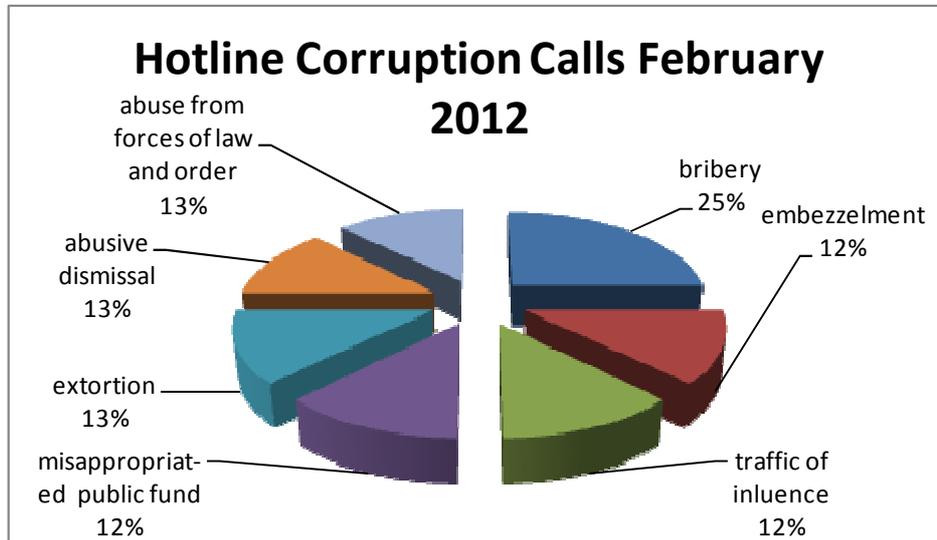


In the month of February 2012, **25%** of calls only were non-responsive, compared to that of December 2011 which was almost equal to the percentage of responsive calls, while **75%** of calls received were responsive calls though not all fell under corruption.

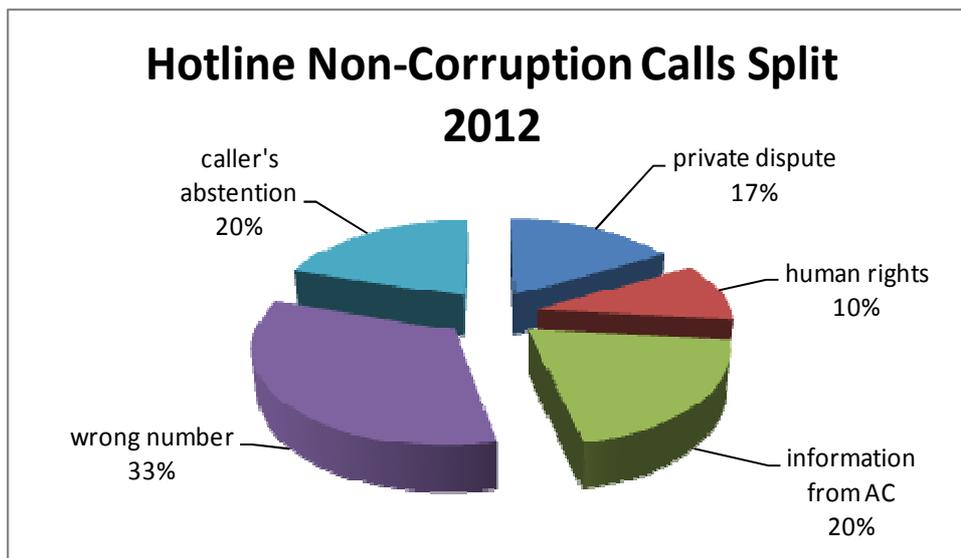


22% of calls received in February 2012 were corruption cases, **24%** were non-corruption calls and **54%** of callers issued no complaint but it is assumed they had something to denounce but were either afraid or were caught up in the celebration spirit. A similar pattern is seen in people who claim to have dialled a wrong number or are simply verifying AC hotline number if it works.

Callers in the month of February 2012 denouncing bribery were **25%**, **13%** of callers denounced abuse from forces of law and order, abusive dismissal, and extortion. Misappropriation of public funds, traffic of influence and embezzlement were also denounced each at **12%**.

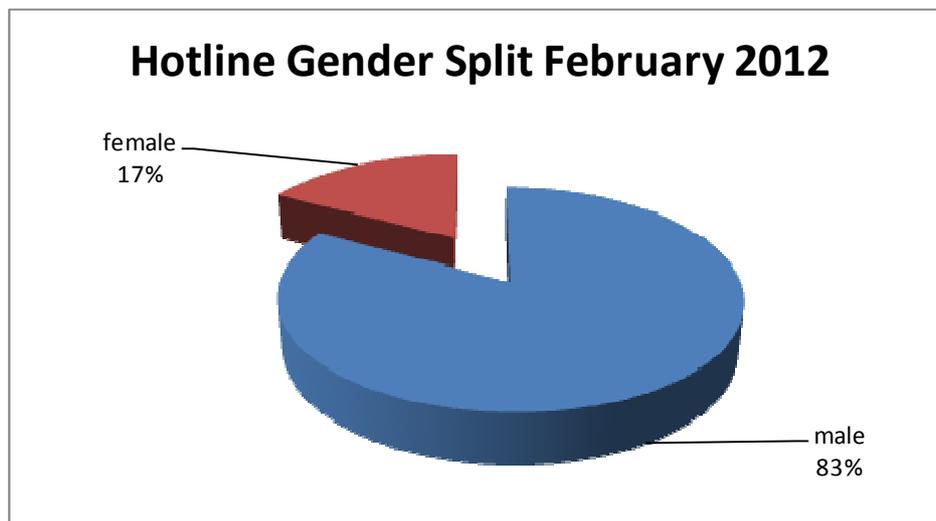


Non-corruption calls in February 2012 were represented by **33%** assumed wrong number, **20%** were on information from AC and caller's abstention, **17%** were on private disputes and **10%** were on human rights.

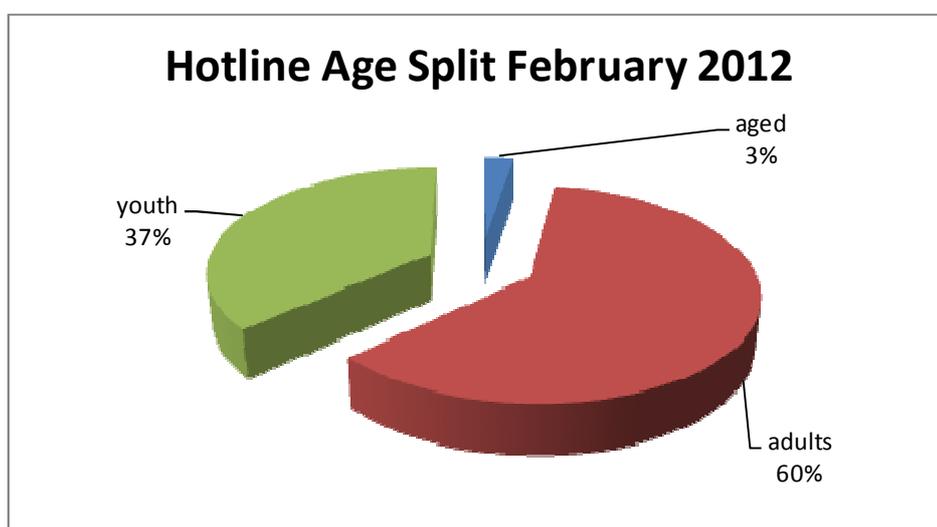


GENDER

Female gender in the month of February 2012 is with **17%** callers, while **83%** of the callers were male. Female callers for the past months continually have been unrepresented with slight fluctuations in the percentage.



AGE RANGE OF CALLERS

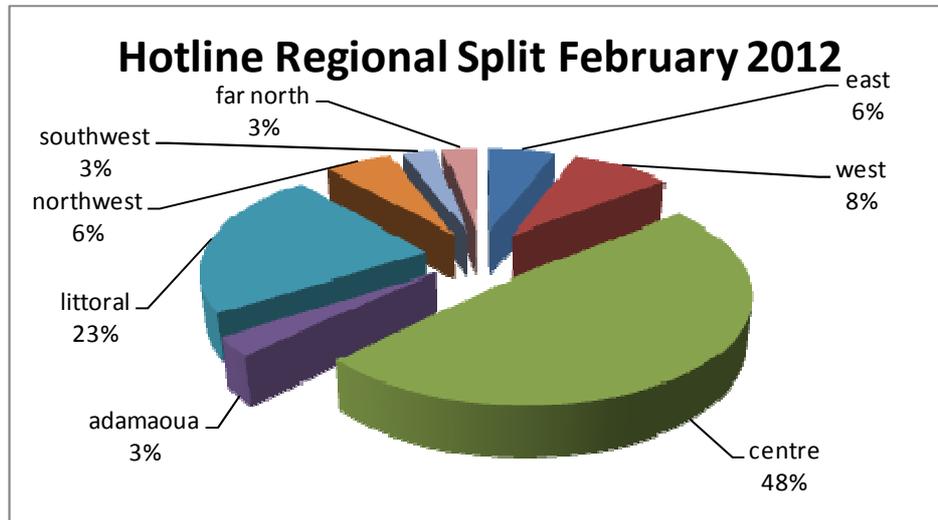


The month of February 2012 had **3%** of calls from the elderly or aged (+55years). Adults (31-55years) calls were **60%**, while youths were **37%** (0-30 years).

REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF CALLS

In February 2012, South and North regions had **0%** of callers each. **3%** of calls came from the Far North,

Adamawa and South West regions. **6%** of calls came from the North West and East regions. **8%** from the West region, **23%** from the Littoral and **48%** from the Central region.



EMAIL AND POST ADDITION TO HOTLINE

All the emails received this month were applications for a job as per the recruitment notice posted by AC. No post office mails were received this month.

INVESTIGATIONS

Three new complaint files were opened this month with follow-up pending. The syndicate cases of taxi drivers against police officers and that of Yokadouma are still being followed-up.

Case of Abusive Dismissal by Nestle: A private worker claims to have been abusively dismissed from nestle company in Maroua where he was working. He brought the case to court six months ago but the case is not progressing because the president of the court solicited money for fuel without which his case could not move. Unfortunately the telephone numbers he gave are not passing and he did not call back.

Case of Fake Drivers Licenses Traffic: A gendarme brought to the notice of his superiors traffic of fake driving license. Instead of punishing the wrongdoer, his superiors instead sanctioned him with “20 Arrêts de rigueur prison” for corruption and extortion on a driver who was in possession of the fake driving license. As a result of that punishment, his carrier will be suspended for three years.

Case of Bribe Solicitation Nkolafamba: The collaborator of Nkol Afamba sub-divisional officer solicited the total sum of 102 000 fcfa from the victim to send his matriculation documents to the sub divisional officer for signature (that is 34 000 per piece of land). This is done in complicity of the sub-divisional officer who is aware of it and would not sign the matriculation documents without the money being paid to his assistant. AC successfully had a bailiff statement drawn-up against this assistant.

The case in Monatele which involved land owners and the departmental delegate of land tenure in the Leke

division was closed because AC procedures were not followed by the bailiff in the establishment of the bailiff statement.

LEGAL FOLLOW-UP

AC continues follow-up of syndicate cases involving an inspector of police and taxi-men denouncing their corruption practices. The lawyers involved in the cases are pushing to see that these cases yield a judgment against these police inspectors.

Five jurist interviews were held this month and two were retained for training. Two were put on waiting list.

AC met with most of its victims to establish working relationships and better explain AC working procedures. Also several meetings were held with bailiff to establish working rapports according to AC procedures.

AC established a new working relationship with another bailiff in the Centre region who accepted to work with AC according to AC procedures.

AC jurist was on an exam break to write her exams in school.

MEDIA

AC commenced newsbar diffusion through Ariane TV. Diffusion was for 12 days in total covering 3 days per week. Discussions with the National TV house are still ongoing.

AC continued to sensitize the public on its work and procedures through meeting with clients on the field to discuss with them on AC procedures.

100 brochures were distributed to truck drivers in Yaounde.

MANAGEMENT

Two new jurists are retained for testing this month

AC has been working on establishing working relationships with other NGOs for the execution of the Health Corruption project.

EXTERNAL RELATIONS

- AC jurist had a meeting with Mr Mouna on the Nkolafamba case and how to get more victims
- AC also met with the gendarme sanctioned by his superiors for denouncing the traffic in fake driving licenses to explore avenues of how AC could handle the case and gather evidence.
- Several meetings were held by AC programmer with NGOs to establish rapports for working on the project Health Corruption.

FINANCE

LAGA has been the main donor for the running of AC activities in the month of February 2012.

February Financial Report 2012

Amount in FCFA	Use	Details	Amount in USD
30,000	Hotline	55 calls received	\$60.6
0	Investigations	100 brochures distributed	\$0.0
180,100	Legal	3 cases followed-up	\$363.8
70,000	Media	Ariane TV Newsbar	\$141.4
	Management		\$0.0
285,300	E-activism	Personnel	\$576.4
39,575	Office	Office	\$79.9
604,975	TOTAL EXPENDITURE FEBRUARY 2012		\$1,222.2

Donor Financial Report February 2012

Amount in FCFA	Donor	Month	Amount in USD
-370,660	Future for Nature	From December 2011	\$748.8
-200,000	From LAGA		\$404.0
-15,000	From Ofir		\$30.3
558,450	Future for Nature	Used January 2012	\$1,128.2
-650,000	From LAGA	Donated February 2012	\$1,313.1
604,975		Used February 2012	\$1,222.2
-72,235	From LAGA	PASSING TO MARCH 2012	\$145.9