



**ICC Deputy Prosecutor: We are keeping an eye on events in Guinea.**

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The Office of the Prosecutor keeps a close eye on the situation in Guinea and deplores that at least seven persons have been reportedly killed since the announcement of the election results. In light of the proclamation of a state of emergency in Guinea, I urge the security forces to refrain from any excessive use of force against the civilian population. I encourage the political leaders to further call their supporters and fellow citizens to calm and to avoid unrest. I invite the Guinean authorities to investigate the criminal incidents that have already occurred and any possible future ones. All reported act of violence will be closely scrutinized by the Office in order to determine whether crimes falling under the Court's jurisdiction are committed and should warrant an investigation.