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- The directorate of the Rally of Houphouetists for Democracy and Peace (RHDP) no longer recognizes Laurent Gbagbo as President of the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire as well as head of state.
- The Defence and Security Forces of Cote d'Ivoire (FDS) completely disapprove of this "irresponsible and intolerable" statement by the RHDP.
- The FDS hold the RHDP and its chairman Mr. Djedje Mady responsible for all of the ongoing abhorrent acts (referring to the current violent protests). The FDS is also asking them to be prepared to answer for their actions.