

U.N. cracks down on corruption

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WASHINGTON -- The United Nations cracked down on corruption, charging 10 officials in Haiti and Congo with allegedly soliciting bribes and rigging bids. A U.N. task force said it's uncovered a pattern of fraud and mismanagement connected to peacekeeping operations contracts for fuel, food, construction and services, The Washington Post said. "The task force identified multiple instances of fraud, corruption, waste and mismanagement at U.N. headquarters and peacekeeping missions, including 10 significant instances of fraud and corruption with aggregate value in excess of \$610 million," said one report by the task force, headed by a former federal prosecutor Robert Appleton.

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