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The Board		23 July 2010
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Biographies		Democratic Republic of the Congo: information on the group, youth for human rights, liberty and unity (Jeunesse pour les droits de l'homme, les libertés et l'unité, JDHLU) and the treatment of its members by the authorities
Organization Chart		Research Directorate, Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada, Ottawa
Employment		
Legal and Policy References		A number of sources consulted by the Research Directorate indicate that the group, youth for human rights, liberty and unity (Jeunesse pour les droits de l'homme, les libertés et l'unité, JDHLU) does not appear to exist in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) (ASADHO 19 July 2010; VUAPROD 20 July 2010; RENADHOC 21 July 2010).
Tribunal		
Refugee Protection Division		In correspondence sent to the Research Directorate on 18 July 2010, the national coordinator of the Collective of Youth Solidarity Organizations in Congo-Kinshasa (Collectif des organisations des jeunes solidaires du Congo-Kinshasa, COJESKI-RDC), a national network of 340 youth associations dedicated to defending human rights in the DRC (COJESKI-RDC 18 July 2010; Societecivile.cd 6 Oct. 2006), stated that the JDHLU [translation] "is not known and cannot be found in the database of youth organizations-even less so in the Democratic Republic of the Congo's human rights NGOs database". Further information on the JDHLU could not be found among the sources consulted by the Research Directorate.
Immigration Division		
Immigration Appeal Division		
Decisions		
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Research Program		
National Documentation Packages		This Response was prepared after researching publicly accessible information currently available to the Research Directorate within time constraints. This Response is not, and does not purport to be, conclusive as to the merit of any particular claim for refugee protection. Please find below the list of sources consulted in researching this Information Request.
Issue Papers and Country Fact Sheets		
Responses to Information Requests		
Recent Research		Association africaine de défense des droits de l'homme (ASADHO). 19 July 2010. Telephone interview with a representative.
Media Centre		
News		
Information Sheets		Collectif des organisations des jeunes solidaires du Congo-Kinshasa (COJESKI-RDC). 18 July 2010. Correspondence sent to the Research Directorate by the national coordinator.
Media Relations		
Transparency		
Completed Access to Information Requests		Réseau national des organisations non gouvernementales des droits de l'homme de la République démocratique du Congo (RENADHOC). 21 July 2010. Telephone interview with a representative.

**Proactive Disclosure** Societecivile.cd. 6 October 2006. "Collectif des organisations des jeunes solidaires du Congo-Kinshasa." <<http://www.societecivile.cd/node/178>> [Accessed 16 July 2010]

Volontaires unis dans l'action pour le progrès et le développement (VUAPROD). 20 July 2010. Telephone interview with the president.

### **Additional Sources Consulted**

**Oral Sources:** Attempts to reach the non-governmental organizations Action, jeunesse et développement, Centre des droits de l'homme et du droit humanitaire (CDH), Journaliste en danger (JED) et la Fédération internationale des ligues des droits de l'homme (FIDH) were unsuccessful.

**Internet sites, including:** Afrik.com, *Les Afriques* [Geneva], AllAfrica.com, Amnesty International (AI), Associated Press (AP), British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), Centre des droits de l'homme et du droit humanitaire (CDH), Congoline, Freedom House, Héritiers de la justice (Hj), Human Rights Watch, International Crisis Group, Inter Press Service (IPS), *Jeune Afrique*, La Jeunesse chrétienne pour la paix et le développement (JCPD), Minority Rights Group International (MRG), Office of the United Nations (UN) High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Organisation internationale de la francophonie (OIF), PANApres (PANA), *Le Phare* [Kinshasa], *Le Potentiel* [Kinshasa], Radio France internationale (RFI), Syfia Grands Lacs, UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), UN Development Programme (UNDP), UN Integrated Regional Information Networks (IRIN), UN Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (Mission de l'Organisation des Nations Unies en République démocratique du Congo, MONUSCO), United States (US) Bureau of African Affairs, La Voix des sans voix (VSV).

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