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Congolese Warlord Bosco Ntaganda Turns Himself In



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In a definitive step toward justice, the Congolese rebel leader [Bosco Ntaganda](#) turned himself in at the US embassy in Kigali, Rwanda. He asked to be sent to the International Criminal Court, where he faces charges of war crimes and crimes against humanity.

Among Ntaganda's alleged crimes are recruiting and using child soldiers, murder, rape, sexual slavery, and ethnic persecution in eastern Congo in 2002 and 2003.

After over a decade with various rebel groups in eastern Congo, Ntaganda was integrated into the Congolese army as a general under a 2009 peace agreement. In 2012, Ntaganda led a mutiny and helped create a new Rwanda-backed rebellion, the M23, which battled Congolese and UN troops in eastern Congo until peace talks began in December.

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