# Session 4 :

# Session 4: Operationalizing partnerships between security actors, local authorities and civilian populations in West Africa

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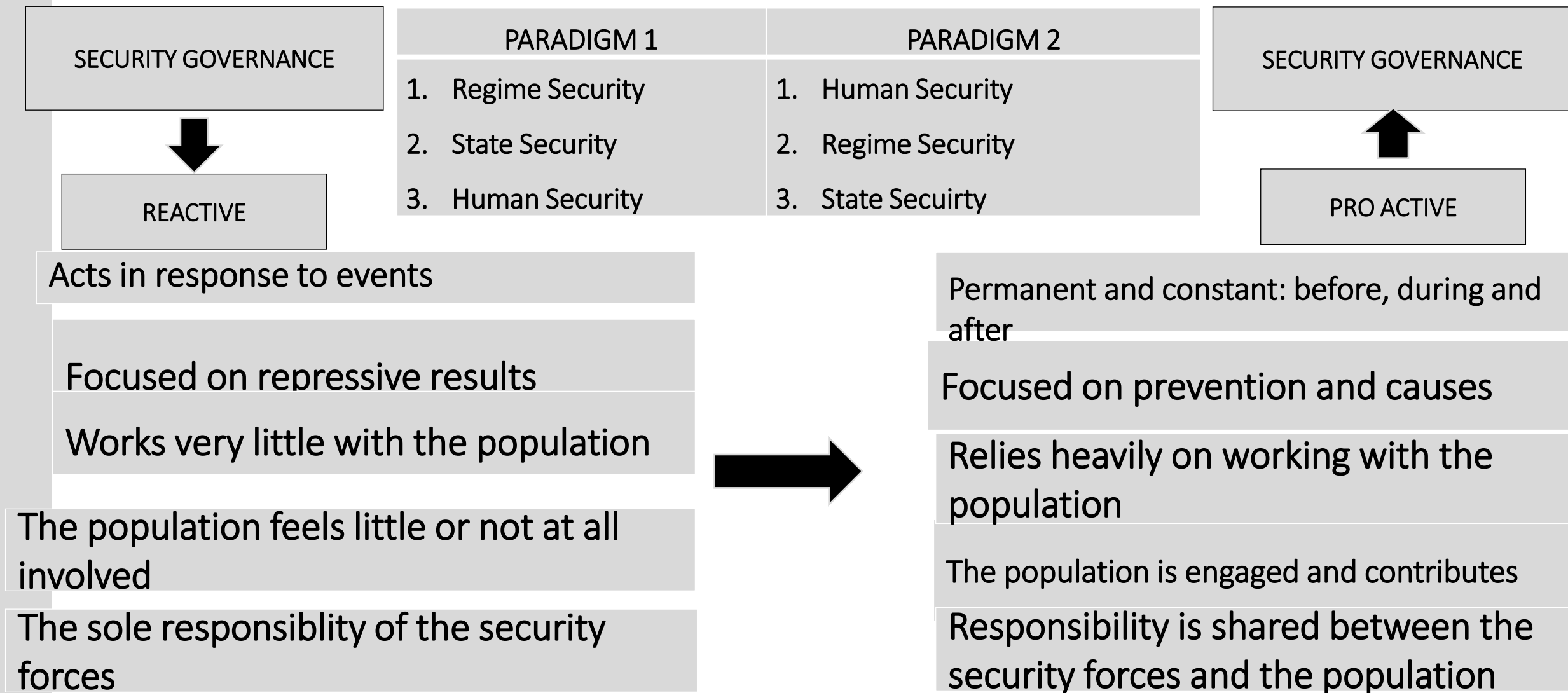
➤ The fight against violent extremism is an asymmetrical war that no state, regardless of its power, can win alone: The enemy is faceless.

➤ Its sole objective is to dissolve social bonds

➤ It calls for frameworks, mechanisms, operations and training programs that promote and support cooperation between security forces and local communities.
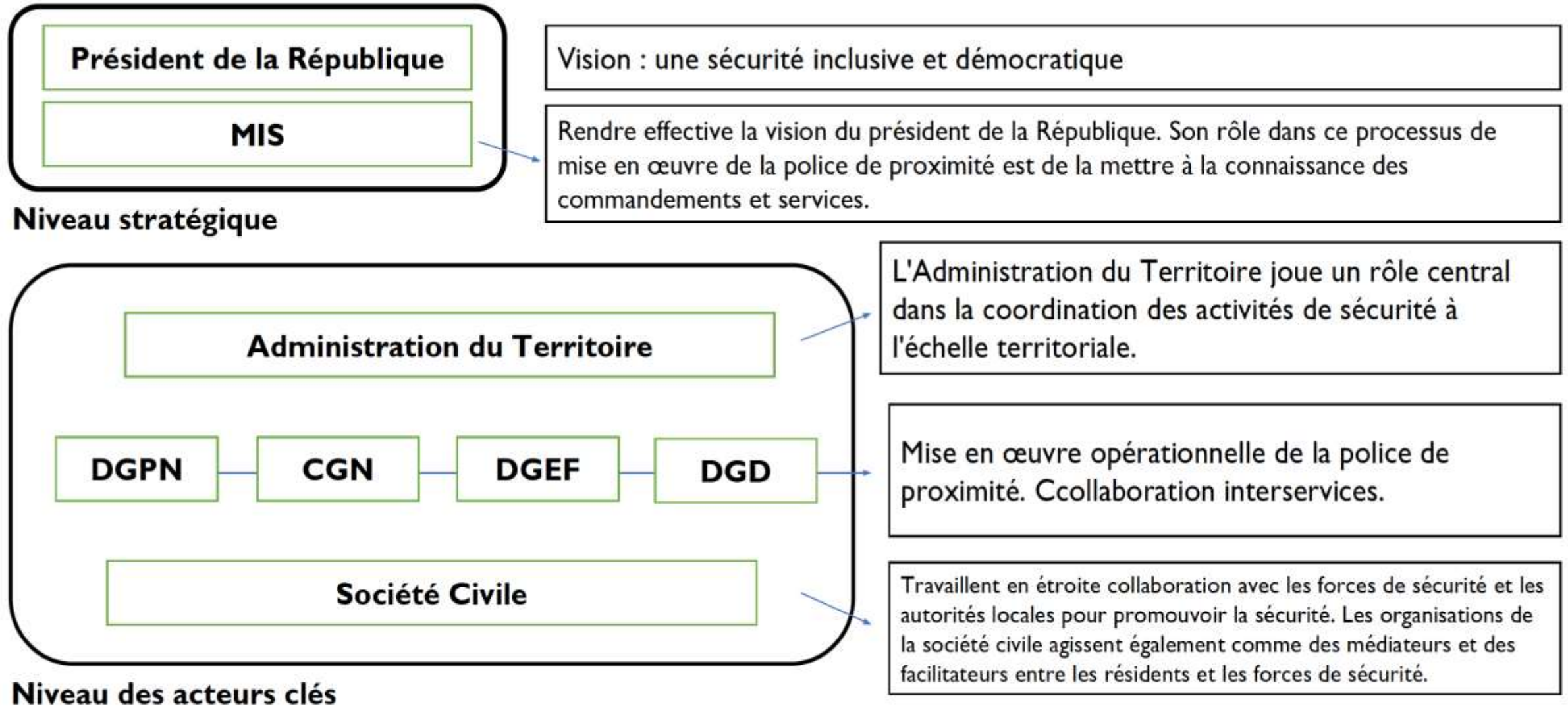
- Unfortunately, for many years, the security forces have distinguished themselves by contempt, violence and racketeering directed at the population.

- Finding: Civil-security relations will need to be cleaned up to rebuild mutual trust and respect between the people and their security forces.

- Côte d'Ivoire, which has taken the full measure of this situation, has implemented a national security strategy based on human security and community policing as essential tools for the prevention and fight against violent extremism.

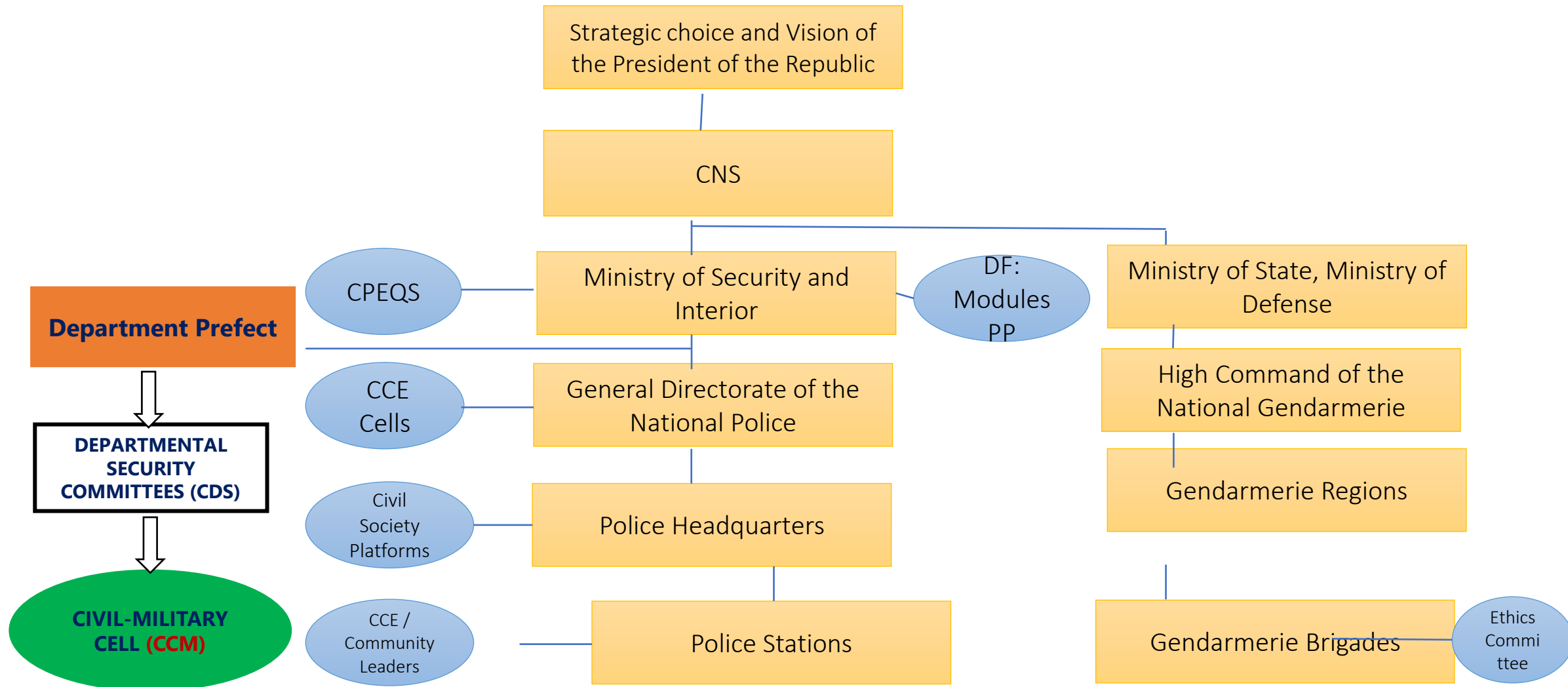# I. POLICE DE PROXIMITE COMME CHANGEMENT DE PARADIGME

| SECURITY GOVERNANCE | PARADIGM 1 | PARADIGM 2 | SECURITY GOVERNANCE |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 1. Regime Security | 1. Human Security | |
| | 2. State Security | 2. Regime Security | |
| | 3. Human Security | 3. State Secuirty | |

**REACTIVE**

**PRO ACTIVE**

Acts in response to events

Permanent and constant: before, during and after

Focused on repressive results

Focused on prevention and causes

Works very little with the population

Relies heavily on working with the population

The population feels little or not at all involved

The population is engaged and contributes

The sole responsiblity of the security forces

Responsibility is shared between the security forces and the population

**Président de la République**

**MIS**

Vision : une sécurité inclusive et démocratique

Rendre effective la vision du président de la République. Son rôle dans ce processus de mise en œuvre de la police de proximité est de la mettre à la connaissance des commandements et services.

**Niveau stratégique**

**Administration du Territoire**

L'Administration du Territoire joue un rôle central dans la coordination des activités de sécurité à l'échelle territoriale.

**DGPN** — **CGN** — **DGEF** — **DGD**

Mise en œuvre opérationnelle de la police de proximité. Ccollaboration interservices.

**Société Civile**

Travaillent en étroite collaboration avec les forces de sécurité et les autorités locales pour promouvoir la sécurité. Les organisations de la société civile agissent également comme des médiateurs et des facilitateurs entre les résidents et les forces de sécurité.

**Niveau des acteurs clés**

## ARCHITECTURE OPÉRATIONNELLE (AO)

## TOOLS OF THE COMMUNITY POLICE OPERATIONALIZATION SCHEME

IMPLEMENTATION MAPPING OF THE INL COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAM
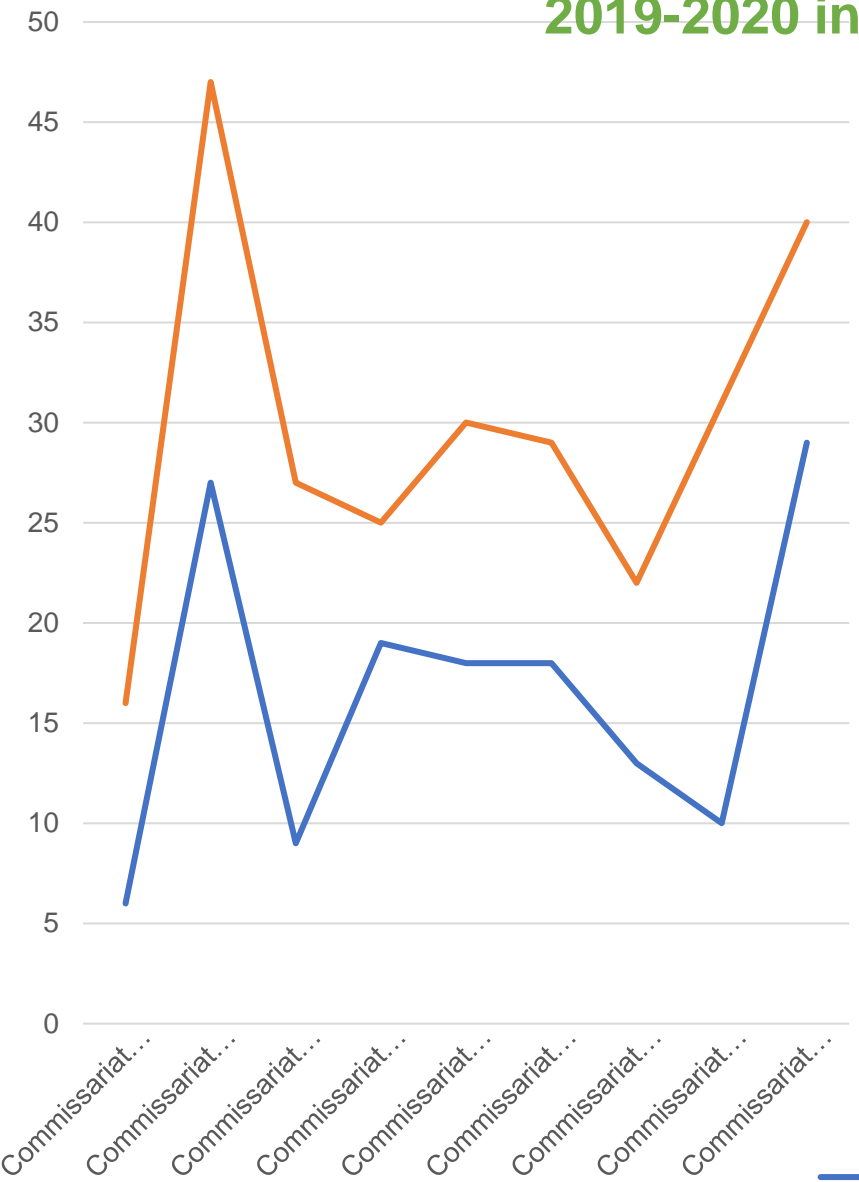
*The population covered by the program is 6,163,104 people

Legend

- Successful implementation of community policing
- Relative implementation of community policing (to be enhanced)
- Police Prefecture
- Police District
- Police stations
- Administrative region
- Community policing implementation zone
- community policing expansion prospects

# Results of the evaluation of collaboration between the police and the population from 2019-2020 in the Gbêkê Region (centre de la Côte d'Ivoire)
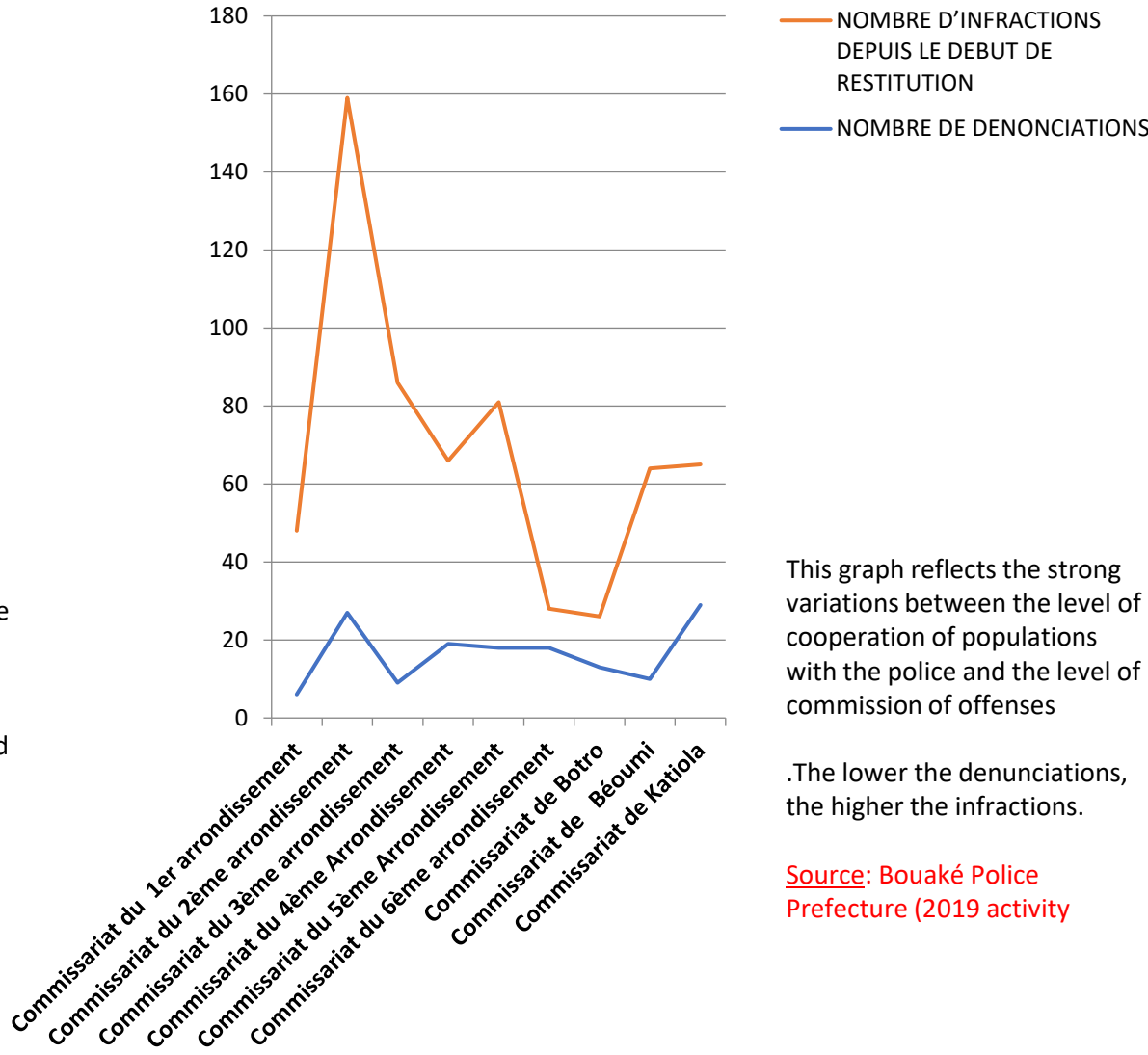


This graph reflects the impact of training and awareness-raising on the level of cooperation of populations with the police.

The more the populations are trained and aware, the higher the denunciations are.

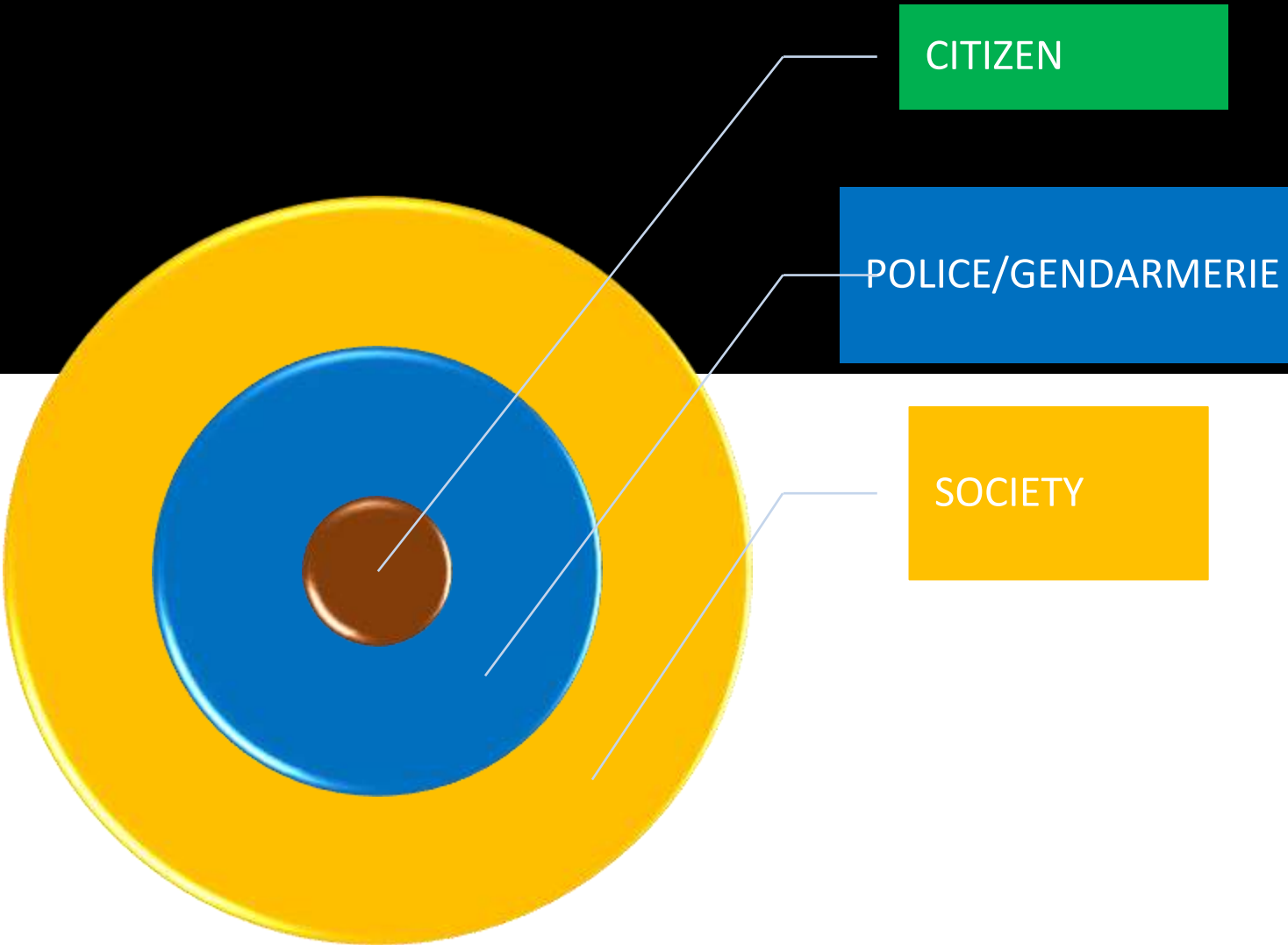Source: Bouaké Police Prefecture (2020 activity report))

This graph reflects the strong variations between the level of cooperation of populations with the police and the level of commission of offenses

.The lower the denunciations, the higher the infractions.

Source: Bouaké Police Prefecture (2019 activity

CITIZEN

POLICE/GENDARMERIE

SOCIETY

## Conclusion



➤ In this asymmetrical against violent extremism, the population has a crucial role to play;

➤ Community Police prove to be the best tool for this fight;

➤ West African States have an interest in improving civil-security relations in order to restore confidence between those who bear arms in the name of the State and the People.

# THANK YOU

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