

NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS

Provided to individuals testifying voluntarily before Court
GENERAL FORM

It is mandatory that the information below be provided to you in a language which you understand.

You are hereby informed that you are being heard because there exist one or more plausible reasons to suspect that you have committed or attempted to commit an offence.

You have the right to be informed of the designation and presumed date and time of the offence of which you are being accused.

You have the right to leave the premises at which you are heard at any time.

You are furthermore informed that you have the right:

To make statements, answer questions or remain silent.

Once you have stated your identity, you have the right, during your hearings:

- to make statements,
- to answer the questions asked of you,
- or to remain silent.

To be assisted by a lawyer

If the offence for which you are being heard is a crime or a felony punishable by imprisonment, you have assisted during the course of your hearing or open confrontation.

Choice of lawyer

You may request to be assisted by the lawyer of your choice. If you are not able to designate a lawyer or if the lawyer you have chosen cannot be contacted, you may request that a lawyer be appointed by the President of the Bar Association.

You will be responsible for the related expenses, unless you fulfil the conditions for free legal assistance, as listed in the appendix document provided to you.

Legal assistance

The lawyer may:

- speak with you under conditions that guarantee confidentiality;
- be present at your hearings and open confrontations.

You may agree to continue the hearing without your lawyer's presence.

To be assisted by an interpreter

If you do not speak or do not understand French, you have the right to be assisted free of charge by an interpreter during your hearings, open confrontations and communication with your lawyer.

To view material relating to your case

At your request or that of your lawyer, you may ask to view the proceedings of your hearings and public confrontations.

To benefit from legal counsel

You may benefit, if applicable free of charge, from legal counsel in a legal services structure, the address and details of which will be indicated to you in a separate document.