PHOTOJOURNALIST CAMILLE LEPAGE KILLED IN CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

<u>Camille Lepage</u>, a 26-year old French photojournalist, has died in Central African Republic. <u>The Guardian reports</u> that French President Hollande has said "all necessary means will be deployed to shine light on the circumstances of this assassination and find the killers of our compatriot."



Camille Lepage leaving a fishing village on the Nile River near Terekeka, South Sudan in September 2012. Photo by Matt Lutton.

I don't have much to say right now. So read Nicholas Kulish piece on the New York Times' Lens Blog: <u>"Bearing Witness, Losing Her Life"</u>. He describes how he came to meet Lepage in Juba, South Sudan. I had a very similar experience, and we were both left impressed by this young journalist.

We at dvafoto have known Camille for a couple of years and have been following her work and career closely. We published an interview with her in March 2013, <u>"Notes from the Field: Camille Lepage in South Sudan</u>". We talked about her decision to move to South Sudan straight from journalism school in England and her motivation to cover seemingly unknown conflicts and the struggles of trying to get those stories published. I urge you to have a look at <u>this interview to learn more about Lepage and see a gallery of her work</u>.

Camille was a hardworking and ambitious young journalist already producing quality stories that hadn't yet found a wide audience. She was working to bring these stories to more people's attention. Her future was very bright, and we at dvafoto are extremely saddened by this news.

We will update this story as more information becomes available.