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TO : LIST B & 95 CMSG 3000.10(OPS)

FROM : A/COS *[Signature]*

INFO : PA TO SRS
MA TO FC
~~MA TO DFC~~
ASST TO CAO
CIV POL COMMISSIONER
MILOBS GP HQ

DATE: 20 Oct 95

SUBJECT : MORNING PRAYERS - 21 OCT 95

- 1. There will be no Morning Prayers (Briefing) tomorrow 21 Oct 95.
- 2. Normal Working hours must however be observed and all are also reminded of the scheduled sporting activities for the same day.

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TO : NICOY 3000.43(OPS)
 MILOB SEC 5B
 MILOB SEC 5A

FROM : DCOS (OPS) *amunumun full*

INFO : DFC
 COS

DATE : 10 Oct 95

SUBJECT : PRESENCE OF INVESTIGATORS
(INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL)

Reference :

A. 3000.43(OPS) dated Oct 95.

1. Please amend the sector to be visited by the investigators to read 5A Kibuye.
2. MILOB sec 5B is therefore to disregard above referenced correspondence. MILOB sector 5A should please assume the responsibility as specified in ref 'A' attached.
3. The name of the leader of team is Mr Oyvind Olsen and the team will be staying in Kibuye Guest House.

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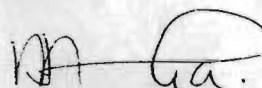
DATE 16 AUG 95

SUBJECT APPEARANCE OF UN FOOD STUFF ON THE MARKET

References

- A. SRSGs Letter of 21 Feb 95
- B. D COS SPs Letter of 22 Feb 95

1. It has been observed that alot of UNAMIR food stuffs are appearing for sale on the local market. This has put the supplier of food to UNAMIR in an awkward situation as he is suspected to be the one flooding the local market since he has certain custom exemption
2. You are all servery reminded to refrain from perpetrating these greedy and immoral activity.
3. The Force Provost Marshall has been instructed to identify those individuals involved in this type of activity in order that appropriate disciplinary action can be taken.


J M CHIMBA
CAPT
SO FOOD

EXT 11117

1050-7/u/6



OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

DATE: 21 August 1995

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TO: SRSG
FC
~~DFC~~

FROM: CAO *on*

SUBJECT: Misuse of UNAMIR foodstuff

Enclosed please find Mr. Albert's memo of 16 August 1995 to me informing of apparent misuse of rations and other foodstuff provided to contingents by the UNAMIR food-suppliers. The information appears to be serious enough (1) to launch a MP investigation into the information received; and (2) for writing a clear warning to contingents' commanders to stop the occurrences with dispatch.

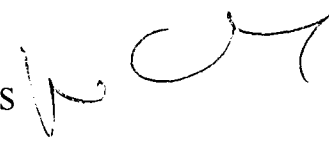


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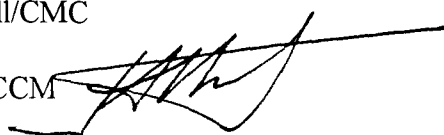
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INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

16 August 1995

TO: Mr. C. Ouziel/CAO

THROUGH: Mr. W.V. Clive/CISS 

INFO: Col. W. Fletcher/DCOS Sp.
Mr. W.A. Parnell/CMC

FROM: Mr. J. Albert/DCCM 

SUBJECT: INVESTIGATION INTO MISUSE OF UNAMIR FOODSTUFFS

REFERENCES: A. letter from Economat de L'armée to CMC dated 09 Aug 95,
B. Letter from ES-KO to CMC dated 11 Aug 95,

1. As you are aware it the responsibility of the Contract Management Cell to carry out all management and Administration procedures pertaining to all major contracts currently under the control of UNAMIR.

2. It has recently come to the attention of the Contract Management Cell, that a number of fresh, frozen, dry and military combat rations have been appearing as sale items on local markets. Initial investigations into this information by the Contract Management Cell, has found that there have indeed been a number of food items seen on market stalls and shops of a type, similar to the merchandise provided by both the current UNAMIR food supply contractor ES-KO, and its pre-desessor Economat de L'armée.

3. Whilst in the course of his duties, Mr. Jack Parnell of the Contract Management Cell was discussing the matter with the current Economat Project Manager, Mr. T. Gardeux. When Mr. Parnell asked Mr. Gardeux to explain why in his opinion there were Economat products on the local markets. Mr. Gardeux decided, that perhaps he should take Mr. Parnell to a location where he could be secretly shown a large supply of both economat and ES-KO food stuffs. Mr. Parnell agreed with Mr Gardeux's suggestion and arranged for this visit to occur that same evening. Mr. Parnell was taken to the house of a local business man. Once at the house he was taken into the kitchen where Mr Gardeux pointed out a large stock of tinned and frozen foodstuffs, that he believed had been given to the business man by UNAMIR Troops, in exchange for other services. Mr. Gardeux stressed that in his opinion this food was allmost definitely received in exchange for other services and not for CASH! He also pointed out that as far as he was aware, this business man was not re-selling the goods but was keeping them purely for his own use. Mr. Gardeux also pointed out that the goods that Mr Parnell had been shown were not former Economat products, but products currently supplied by the ES-KO company. Mr. Gardeux also stated that in his opinion it was not the supply companies that were at fault, but that the problem was at the Contingent level.

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4. As can be seen at ref A (attached) this problem is certainly not a new one, Mr. Parnell has discussed the matter with Mr. C. Ayres/DCPO who was involved in a previous investigation whilst employed as a legal officer within the Boards of Enquiry Unit. Mr. Ayres informed him that the investigation was very thorough and had covered a large part of the mission area. However despite the thoroughness and the intensity of the investigation, the Contract Management Cell suspects that a no real facts were produced to establish who infact, was actually responsible for this flood of "Suspected" UNAMIR foodstuffs onto the local markets.

5. The Contract Management Cell has recently received a memo as at ref B (attached) from the new UNAMIR food supplier (ES-KO), stating their concerns about similar problems that they are experiencing to those mentioned in ref A. Therefore I feel that as a matter of course these matters must be brought to your attention.

6. Taking into consideration the problems currently faced in connection with that of the Status of Mission Agreement between UNAMIR and the Rwanda Government, particularly where UNAMIR Contractors are concerned it may be advisable to re-convene another Board of Enquiry or request that the Military Police or Civpol carry out the necessary investigations. This action will show that UNAMIR is aware of the situation and is endeavoring to take positive action. Thus alleviating any further problems should the relevant Rwanda authorities decide to intervene.

7. If you require any further information on any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact the CMC on extension 11627 or 11699.

8. Hoping that this delicate problem can be resolved as soon as possible. Regards

Attachments: 2

**Economat de L'armée
Opération UNAMIR
KIGALI - RWANDA**

Kigali, le 3 mars 1995

De : Thierry GARDEUX - Eloi d'HAUTHUILLE
Economat - MINUAR

à : M Geoffrey WORDLEY
CILM
UNAMIR

SIR,

AS SOON AS WE HAVE BEEN AWARED THAT ECONOMAT'S PRODUCTS WERE FOUND ON THE LOCAL MARKET, WE HAVE LAUNCHED AN INVESTIGATION. THIS ONE HAS BEEN MADE IN COORDINATION WITH SO FOOD CAPTAIN MIKE BURGESS, LEGAL OFFICER CHRIS AYRES AND ECONOMAT REP.

IT CONSISTED IN DRAWING A SPECIAL SIGN FOR EACH CONTINGENT ON A MAXIMUM ITEMS DELIVERED TO THEM. AFTER A WHILE, A VISIT ON KIGALI'S CENTRAL MARKET DIDN'T ALLOW US TO FIND ANY PRODUCT MARKED.

WE HAVE HAD NO FURTHER INFORMATION AFTER THIS INVESTIGATION.

AT THREE OCCASIONS WHEN VISITING CONTINGENTS IN CYANGUGU, BUTARE OR GYSENYI, ECONOMAT'S PRODUCTS WERE AGAIN SEEN, BY US, ON THE LOCAL MARKET.

DURING A MEETING WITH THE CUSTOM'S DIRECTOR, MOVCON AND ECONOMAT, THE CUSTOM DEMANDED THAT ECONOMAT SHOULD PRODUCE ALL ITS CLEARANCE PAPER WORKS IN ORDER TO JUSTIFY ITS IMPORTATIONS IN RWANDA, WHICH ECONOMAT ACCEPTED WITHOUT RESTRICTION.

OBVIOUSLY, ECONOMAT IS READY TO GIVE BOTH TO THE CUSTOM ADMINISTRATION AND TO UNAMIR A COPY OF ITS CUSTOM PAPER-WORKS, IN ORDER NOT ONLY TO ATTEST OF ITS GOOD WILL BUT ALSO TO INSIST ON THE FACT THAT ECONOMAT CANNOT BE TAKEN FOR RESPONSIBLE FOR BEHAVIOURS OF OTHERS.

REGARDS.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several horizontal strokes and a central vertical mark, possibly representing the name 'GARDEUX'.

**Economat de L'armée
Opération MINUAR
KIGALI - RWANDA**

9 août 1995

De : Thierry GARDEUX.
Regional Manager.
Economat - MINUAR.

à : Monsieur Gilles BRIERE
Monsieur Jacques ALBERT
CMCO - UNAMIR
Kigali - RWANDA

P. J. : Lettre de l'Economat à M WORDLEY (CILM UNAMIR).

Messieurs,

Nous nous permettons, par la présente, de vous signaler un problème qui nous semble être de la première importance.

Il s'agit de la présence massive, sur le marché local de Kigali, de produits alimentaires propriété des Nations-Unies. Nous avons pu constater à de nombreuses reprises que des quantités importantes de produits divers allant des rations de combat individuelles aux produits du "Food Supply" sont présents sur les étalages des magasins de la ville de Kigali.

Tout nous laisse penser que la situation est la même dans les villes du RWANDA où sont stationnés des unités des Nations-Unies.

Vous n'êtes pas sans savoir qu'une partie des problèmes que rencontre l'Economat vis-à-vis des administrations locales a pour origine le fait que des marchandises alimentaires importées par l'Economat dans le cadre de sa mission ont été vendus par des commerçants locaux.


Il est entendu que l'Economat n'a jamais effectué de vente de produits sur le marché local et ne peut être tenu pour responsable. Nous ne saurions donc rester sans réaction par rapport à cette situation.

L'Economat a déjà eu l'occasion de signaler une situation similaire dans la lettre référencée ci-dessus et dont une copie vous est jointe ci-après.

Il ne nous appartient pas de conduire une action afin d'en connaître les causes, mais nous vous demandons de bien vouloir signaler cette situation auprès des Hautes Autorités de la MINUAR.

Nous vous prions d'agréer, Messieurs, l'expressions de nos meilleures salutations.

**L'ECONOMAT
M Thierry GARDEUX**



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ES-KO

TO :UNAMIR HQ. - KIGALI
ATTN.:MR.GEORGE BOELLA (CMC)
FROM :MARIO GAVAGNIN
OPERATIONAL MANAGER
DATE :11.8.95
REF :ES-KO FOODSTUFFS

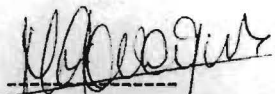
DEAR SIR,

PLEASE BE INFORMED THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED COMMUNICATIONS FROM SEVERAL LOCALS
THAT SOME ES-KO'S COMMODITIES SUPPLIED TO UNAMIR CONTINGENTS HAVE BEEN FOUND
FOR SALE AT THE LOCAL MARKET IN KIGALI.

PLEASE BE ALSO AWARE THAT ES-KO REPRESENTATIVE HAS SEEN SOME FOODSTUFFS
IN SOME SHOPS IN NYUNDO.

FROM OUR EXPERIENCE WE KNOW THAT THE PROBLEM MENTIONED ABOVE OCCURS QUITE
OFTEN DURING UN MISSIONS; HOWEVER WE WOULD APPRECIATE THAT UN INVESTIGATES
INTO THE MATTER TO PREVENT ANY PROBLEMS PARTICULARLY BETWEEN OUR COMPANY AND
AND THE AUTHORITIES OF THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA.

YOURS SINCERELY



MARIO GAVAGNIN
ES-KO INTERNATIONAL INC.



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FROM : SENBATT/S.2

TO : Force Commander.

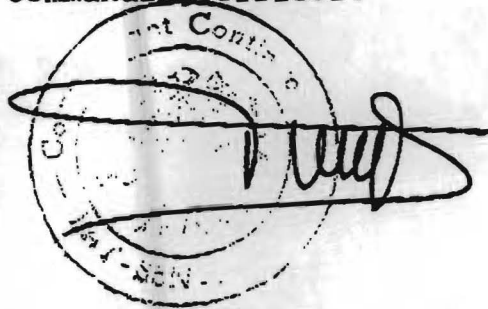
INFO : DFC.

DATE : 26 July 1995.

SUBJECT : Information about BUTARE prefect.

1. Find attached biographical information about the new prefect of BUTARE.
2. Best regards.

Abdel Kader GUEYE
Colonel
Commanding officer.



1000. 7/a/b

U N C O N F I D E N T I A L

A confirmed report indicates that Mr Semuhundu Athanase, the new prefect of BUTARE, has been posted to BUTARE to take command of that location prefecture with effect 10 july 1995.

His biographical background is as follows :

- Name : Semuhundu Athanase.
- Date and location of birth : In 1947 at BUTARE.
- Ethnic group : Moderated Hutu.
- Diplomas : licence in Economical affairs.
 - . 3 years in Butare University.
 - . 3 Years in Burundi University.
- Previous appointments : consulting in financial national affairs.
 - . Lastly, he was the financial director of national Sheet-iron goods in Kigali.
- Family situation : Married with four children.
 - . Foster-father of one orphan.
- Residence : Butare with his family.
 - Telephone No house : 30.371.
 - Telephone No office : 30.226.
- Spoken languages : French.
- Qualification : Economist.
- Date of arrest : 10 july 1995 at BUTARE.

Otherwise, he seems to be cooperative and very courteous person.

Finally, his political background and his relationships with the former government are not yet available.