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Kongolo, 10 February 1963

To: Mr. B. Habib Ahmed, Chief of Civilian Operations, ONUC, Leopoldville  
From: Bernd A. Bernander, Administrative Officer, ONUC, Kongolo  
Subject: Kongolo situation report (5/1 - 10/2 1963)

General: The resettlement of Kongolo is about to enter a new phase with the pacification of the area east of the river, to which all the Bahemba who formerly constituted about half of Kongolo's population have fled. It is probably no exaggeration to say that this section of the population also contained its more qualified and useful elements. As yet no Bahemba have returned; one may expect that, when this happens, there will be much friction and settling of old accounts. The local administrator and AUC commander are understanding enough, but there is a noticeable undercurrent of hostility against the Bahemba among the 4-5,000 people who have so far returned. Whereas the Bahemba themselves seem resigned to accept political change and to long for normal conditions, it may reasonably be feared that those who now have the upper hand in Kongolo will take undue advantage of the fact that the Bahemba have fought for a lost cause.

Security and communications: There has been little progress in this sphere during the period covered by this report. No activity has been resumed by the CPL; there are only two deployed to guard the installations.

I have pressed the Managing Director, Mr. Brunet, to open a small river service to Katalo in order to establish regular surface communications with Albertville. This, I feel, is the most urgent need at present. There is for instance a small steamer here needing no more than a crew of 4-5 and able to tow a small barge, which would lend itself perfectly to a doleful and inexpensive beginning. This would be a better solution at this stage than opening up railway traffic to Luanikwa on the eastern bank, from where crossings can only be made by canoe.

A large passenger steamer "Prince Léopold", stranded on the sloping river side, can no longer, with the rising waters of the Lualaba, be recovered and put afloat until the floods again recede towards the end of this year. The possibilities of recovery were studied by a CPL engineer on 23 January.

I have been informed by the SAOENSA (Cotanga) representative in Albertville that, as no action has been planned, the Management has decided not to activate the grinding mills at Kongolo and Luanikwa this year. Only 3-4 workers will be employed on each site for care-taking purposes.

As for the cotton from the 1961 harvest stored in about 20 sheds



in the Bahemba area, Jacobs plans to have it evacuated by rail and processed at the mill in Nyunzu.

More than 1,000 tons of cotton seed are stacked at the plants in Kongolo and Lumanisha. Specimen analyses will have to be made before it is established whether this seed is still processable for oil.

Cotton-growing in the area east of Kongolo was mechanized to a large extent. Equipment such as tractors and caterpillars that I briefly inspected on a recent visit to Bulula and Lengwe appeared to be in fair condition and can probably be put to use, when planters sow for a new crop towards the end of the year.

Traders: A representative of Interfina visited Kongolo on 13 January. After inspecting the premises he declared he would return shortly to open the branch. I have since had no further news regarding Interfina's intentions.

Two Congolese traders have opened stores in the past two weeks on what used to be Kongolo's business street. Their assortment and stocks, brought down from Kisumu by canoe, are very meagre, but prices high.

#### Public services

Medical: The General Hospital resumed activities on January 10 and now treats 2-300 outpatients daily. There are about 20 hospitalized patients. Medical supplies that already existed have been supplemented from Albertville. Unfortunately none of the WHO doctors at present in Albertville have been able to come here on regular visits, as planned.

There are seven dispensaries in the Bahemba area badly needing replenishment of medical supplies. They depend on the Kongolo Hospital for their activities, but can hardly expect much help from here, so long as the Bahemba across the river do not establish contact with the present population of Kongolo. Nor would for instance the Hospital Administrator here venture across the river, be it for inspection of dispensaries or any other reason.

Postal: The Kongolo post office was opened on 5 February. For the time being pouches will be forwarded to and from the Albertville office and transported by ONUC aircraft. Preparatory work for opening the office was done by Mr Wild, ONUC postal adviser in Albertville, who visited Kongolo on 16 January.

Schools: A dozen or so moniteurs who previously taught at the Catholic Mission school have returned and commenced classes on the primary level as far as the fifth year. About 700 pupils are attending, a number which will no doubt rapidly increase. Supplies of slate and chalk were found at the Mission, but textbooks and notebooks are very short.

Electricity and water: The diesel engine and generator made to work in December broke down on 10 January. The Regidese installations were inspected in mid-January by M. Vidouzes, Regidese engineer from Bukavu, who decided to repair with parts (weighing totally 1 ton) from an identical engine at Kasongo. These were airlifted by ONUC aircraft to Kongolo on 7 February. M. Vidouzes and a

a colleague M. Nette have since spent a few days here and hope to restore the supply of electricity and water within a few days. It should however be added that electric installations in most houses are so defective that to many this supply will be initially of little interest.

Employment and relief: A great deal of grass-cutting, maintenance of streets and public places has been effected during the past month. Though much still remains to be done, the "cité" and the town proper now present a very different aspect compared to the impression of neglect and abandon which we struck the visitor in December.

The local administrator has appealed to the civic sense of the community to do unremunerated labour of this kind, but there is no doubt the successful response has been due to the ONUC distribution of shirts, trousers and material to labour volunteers after a defined period of work. As the population increases, I feel a similar system should be adopted as regards food supplies. Already I have moved in this direction by arranging distribution first to those who have been active in clearing the town from shrubs and grass. Your advice is sought as to whether I should complete this move by stopping distribution to others, except aged and other needy. There is otherwise a risk that the present relief work is not conceived as a short-term substitute for lacking employment and normal commercial supply of consumer goods.

I am informed by Mr. Hunt that the Provincial Minister of Public Works has asked for additional public work funds for Kongo. If obtained, such funds could conveniently be used to continue what has already been done and to extend projects to badly needed road maintenance in the outlying areas of the Territoire.

The following figures give an idea of the present state of relief supply distribution:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Quantity received</u>	<u>Quantity distributed</u> (10/2)
Rice	800 (± 10)	Bags 335
Dried fish	488	" 193
Powdered milk	32	Cartons 25
Palm oil	1,800	Liters 1,600
Shirts	396	157
Trousers	291	71
Material	438	Pieces 285
Cigarettes	800	Packets 725

Remarks: No accurate figure of the rice received can be given, as a large number of bags have arrived in broken condition, many of them empty and almost empty. Orsac's various Orders d'expédition (688, 699-704, 719) add up to a total of 1,203 bags, roughly 400 more than hitherto received; I have no idea where this remaining quantity is.

I have received 20 bags fish in excess of number indicated



on Ordres d'expédition 710 and 711.

One drum of palm oil (200 litres) has not been sent on from Albertville, as it is leaking.

24 shirts and 82 pieces of material were found missing in respective consignments; the pilfering seems to have occurred during storage at Albertville airport. One bale of trousers was also received, opened, but contained more than the unopened bale; I have no record of how many trousers were actually sent.

cc: Mr G. Ghaleb  
Civilian Affairs Officer  
Albertville

Lt-Col W.W. Stohas  
CO 3 QBR  
Kongole

## ROUTING SLIP

TO

Mr. R.K. Gardiner

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For information

DATE  
16.1.63

FROM

A.C.Gilpin

O N U C  
LEOPOLDVILLE

Ref 161

C.O. Circular No.96

14 January 1963

To All Members of the Consultative Group

From S. Habib Ahmed, Chief of Civilian Operations

Subject Report on situation in KONGOLO.

... I attach for your information copy of a report on the situation in KONGOLO, submitted by the Acting Administrative Officer, Mr. Bernander.

I shall appreciate being kept informed of any action you are able to take on any of the points raised in this report.



## SITUATION IN KONGOLO

Having spent more than a week in KONGOLO I would like to submit the following report on the present situation here and progress made towards a restoration of KONGOLO town.

### Visits

During the past week I have had visits by M. Bruart, Managing Director of CFL, M. Lardinois, COTANGA Representative in North KATANGA, Mr. Hunt from the Public Works Section, Civilian Operations, and M. Valery, ONUC Sanitary engineer from BUKAVU.

CFL Apart from briefly looking over CFL installations M. Bruart made a study of the demolished Kongolo bridge and a helicopter visit to the blown-up railway bridge at LUBUNDA. In both instances he was accompanied by Mr. Hunt, who will submit a special report. Mr. Bruart has left a six-man team to make a detailed inventory and establish losses. Two Congolese CFL employees will be stationed here permanently and open a small office for care-taking purposes. Five workers have been recruited locally to assist in cleaning the premises.

Mr. Bruart advised he is sending a special report to Mr. Gardiner about CFL losses and intentions regarding communications in the area. As far as I understand CFL will not extend their activities in KONGOLO any further for some length of time, pending an agreement with the Central Government about a resumption of traffic with state or other subsidies to compensate for losses.

COTANGA (SACOLUBA). M. Lardinois spent two days here looking over the ginning mill which was also the seat of their general management. Unfortunately the military situation on the eastern bank did not permit a visit to their main ginning plant at LUMANISHA.

The processing and other heavy machinery is in good condition and needs no more than a thorough overhaul to be put in operation. A large warehouse with spares for the processing machinery was also found to be more or less intact. One large shed contains about 400 tons of cotton seed, which is still good for oil extraction. The vehicle park was however non-existent, all tools of general usage had disappeared and the dwelling houses are in a bad state.

As the cotton planting season is now almost over and as there is no reason to believe that cotton has been planted this year, COTANGA will hardly be able to resume full activities before 1964 when the next crop is harvested. It can however be supposed that, as elsewhere in KATANGA, there are some old stocks of cotton with farmers that would permit the firm to operate on a reduced scale. The KONGOLO Territoire, especially east of the river, was COTANGA's chief cotton producing area in North KATANGA. M. Lardinois intimated that the Management might also be averse to resume operations without Government subsidy for damages suffered. If the Management agrees, however, M. Lardinois proposes to return within a few weeks and employ about 20 people, mechanics to revise the machinery, carpenters and workers to tidy up the premises.

### Population

CFL and COTANGA used to provide most of the employment and formed the backbone of the economy in the area. Neither, it seems, will be able to recruit any substantial labour in the near future. It follows, I feel, that the population that once lived in KONGOLO (30-40,000) should not be rushed back from their villages, exhorted or even tempted to return. The town should be allowed to grow organically as it once did and as the various industrial and commercial activities gradually resume. A large influx of people before the restoration of communications could create serious problems.

About half of the old-time population consisted of Bahemba, who have all taken refuge in the villages to the east of the river. Being pre-Tshombe they



they will probably be long in returning and this is perhaps just as well. Of the 900 that have now registered the majority are Bayeshi, less politically committed but who abandoned the town when it was reoccupied by the gendarmerie at the beginning of this year. There is a fairly large proportion of Bango-Bango, some Bakusu and Bate and Batetela and a few Basonge. A large proportion of them are older people, and children under 15 number no more than about 200.

A possible way to relieve the unemployment that is bound to appear would be to initiate some public works programme. An obvious one would be street maintenance, grass-cutting, etc. I have discussed this point with Mr. Hunt, who made various suggestions, and hope to activate the Provincial Ministry of Public Works in Albertville to submit proposals through the customary channels.

#### Public Services

As I see it, emphasis should now be laid on the restoration of essential public services, hospital facilities, postal services, the supply of electricity and water. As regards schools, it would be interesting to know what the intentions are of the big Catholic Mission and whether they could be persuaded to step in again.

#### Administration

The present administrator, a Mukusu appointed by Sendwe at the end of 1961, is working without any contact with his superiors in Albertville. He has a staff of four and about 25 irregular policemen to help him. He has grouped the returning people in a particular section of the Congolese township and apparently managed to have them work without remuneration, in clearing certain streets and collecting maize for the community from the abandoned fields.

#### Hospital

Dr. Beynet (WHO), Albertville, has started an inventory of the hospital which has been well-furnished. He can however hardly proceed with this inventory until permanent Congolese staff have arrived. A director and 10 male attendants are said to be coming shortly from a village about 100 km from here, to which they have previously fled.

#### Electricity

For the smooth working of the hospital it is essential that supply of electricity is restored. The 50 KW generator presently operating the water pump should be able to supply current to both the hospital and a considerable number of houses. Information as to what this generator can perform is contradictory, and a competent electrician from Regideso should be sent here as soon as possible to decide how it should be used and to put it in operation. The other existing generator that could be made to work are too powerful for present needs; there is no commercial basis for their operation.

#### Water

Water supply is intermittent and not satisfactory from the point of view of purification. However I have the impression that the difficulties encountered can gradually be solved by personnel from the Regideso in Albertville. Gasoil for running the diesel engine has been airlifted from Albertville on UN aircraft.

#### Relief supplies.

Practically all the relief supplies hitherto received have been distributed in cooperation with the administrator. There have only been three flights from Albertville this week, none of them bringing supplies for the civilian population, which means there should be important quantities there. I hope to receive them during the coming week.

B. Bernander  
Acting Administrative Officer  
KONGOLO

5 January 1963.



*Kongolo 26*

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TO HQ ONUC LEO

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S E C R E T OPS/1014 FOR FORCE COMD GARDINER COS CHIEF MIL  
OPS AND MIL INFO. SITREP NO 486. PERIOD 211600B TO 221600B  
DEC. KONGOLO. GEND IN OCCUPATION EAST BANK OPPOSITE  
KONGOLO. 8 ANC BN ENGAGED LUMAMISHA AND CROSS ROADS AT  
KILUBI WITH MOR FIRE. GEND MORS FIXED AT TOWN AT CAMP  
MILITAIRE AT VILLAGE NORTH OF MISSION. 3 QONR DEPLOYED  
BUT HAVE NOT HAD TO RETURN FIRE. COMD WILL VISIT KONGOLO  
23 DEC. NO UN OR ANC CAS. SL CONTINGENT RD PARTY REFUELED  
AT KABINDA. GIII WILL VISIT BAKWANGA 23 DEC

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S E C R E T FOR FORCE COMD GARDINER COS CHIEF MIL OPS AND  
MIL INFO SITREP NO 487 PERIOD 221600B TO 231600B DEC. FIRST.  
KONGOLO. SPORADIC MOR FIRE CONT THIS MORN. NO ADDITIONAL  
CAS REPORTED. COMD CURRENTLY IN KONGOLO. POLICE AND LOCAL  
ADMINISTRATION KONGOLO GONE TO BUSH. SECOND BAKWANGA. SL RD  
PARTY REFUELLED AT AIRFD. ETA LULU 231700B. THIRD C 47 AC  
NO 217 WHILST FLYING KAMINA KONGOLO WAS SHOT AT 6 NAUTICAL  
MILES SOUTH KONGOLO. AC FLEW ON TO LEO FOR REPAIR

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To : List 'C' and 'D'

From : Offg Chief of Military Operations

Subject:- Visits to KONGOLO

1 Living conditions in KONGOLO at present are hard due to lack of resources and non functioning of water supply and electricity plants. Till such times conditions improve, it is essential to cut down the number of visitors to KONGOLO.

2 Clearance from this Branch will be obtained before any visit is planned. Visitors will be expected to carry their own mosquito nets, camp beds and bedding.



Major  
Offg Chief of Military Operations



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DATE: 10 December 1962

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REFERENCE YOUR SECRET NO 148. ANC OFFICERS  
ACCOMPANYING UN FORCES TO KONGOLO ARE NOW IN SENTERY  
AWAITING THE REST OF THE FORCE PROCEEDING BY ROAD. WILL  
CABLE APPROXIMATE DATE OF ARRIVAL OF FORCE IN KONGOLO.  
PLEASE ARRANGE FOR MAJOR NZOIGBA TO STAND BY FOR INSTRUCTIONS  
TO PROCEED TO SENTERY OR KONGOLO TO MEET THE GROUP.

RKG/ln

DER

2,500 x 200 1 Imp. Plateau 11267

T. O. R.

T. O. D.

BY :

Drafted by :

Authorized :

Date :

R.K. Gardiner

10 December 1962



Text to be released to Radio  
a leaflet with  
17.

PEOPLE OF KONGOLO.

The United Nations forces have arrived in Kongolo.

You can now return safely to your homes and your work.

The United Nations will guarantee your safety and ~~will~~ <sup>is</sup> co-operating  
<sup>with the central government</sup>  
~~is there~~ to ensure that normal life will soon be  
entirely restored.



Notre ref: GVT/882/62

Le 7 décembre 1962

Monsieur le Premier Ministre,

J'ai l'honneur de me référer aux lettres que vous avez adressées au Président Tshombe pour lui demander de retirer de la Province du Nord-Katanga ses unités de gendarmerie. J'ai porté à l'attention du Secrétaire général votre appréhension au sujet de la situation à Kongolo, et après une étude très attentive des conditions qui prévalent dans cette région, l'ONUC a reçu l'ordre de prendre promptement des mesures pour protéger la population et les installations industrielles locales.

Le Commandant de la Force et son état-major ont maintenant élaboré un plan qui doit être mis à exécution dans les prochains jours. Sous réserve de votre approbation, le Quartier Général de l'ONUC se mettra en rapport avec l'ANC pour lui expliquer ses intentions, afin d'éviter tout malentendu avec les troupes du Gouvernement central dans la région pendant l'exécution de ce plan par l'ONUC.

En raison de l'urgence de la situation, je compte faire suivre la présente lettre par des entretiens personnels avec vous, pour que les mesures nécessaires à la protection de la région de Kongolo puissent être prises dans les plus brefs délais.

Je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur le Premier Ministre, les assurances de ma haute considération.

R. K. A. Gardiner  
Chargé de la Mission  
des Nations Unies au Congo

Son Excellence  
M. Cyrille Adoula  
Premier Ministre de la République du Congo  
LEOPOLDVILLE

RKG/ln




Le 6 décembre, 1962

Notre réf: GVT/878/62

Les experts de l'ONUC ont étudié les photographies aériennes des dégâts causés au pont sur la Luluaba à Kongolo. Une enquête supplémentaire est menée pour déterminer les moyens de faire réparer le pont, afin de permettre à la circulation normale de reprendre dans cette région avec le moins de retard possible.





S 051730Z

FM ONUC ALB

TO ONUC LEO

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SECRET 142 GARDINER FORCE COMDR FROM SHALEB AND  
COMDR SEC A

AFTER CONTACTING CFL MANAGERS THEY STATE THAT THEY HAVE  
NO CLEAR INDICATION ON THE STATE OF THE BRIDGE OF KONGOLO  
AS NONE OF THEIR RELIABLE PERSONNEL ARE IN KONGOLO SINCE  
AYE WHILE NOW THE ONLY INFORMATION WHICH THEY HAVE GATHERED  
FROM MANY PEOPLE COMING FROM THE KABALO AREA IS THAT THE  
SMALL PART LINKING THE BRIDGE TO THE BANK WHICH HAD BEEN  
DESTROYED BY KATANGESE IN END DEC 61 AND WHICH HAD BEEN  
TEMPORARILY REPAIRED WITH WOODEN PLANKS HAS BEEN DESTROYED  
AGAIN PRESUMABLY BY AYE FIRE. EYE AM KEEPING CLOSE CONTACT  
WITH CFL TO TRY TO GET MORE INFORMATION CONCERNING FURTHER  
IMPORTANT DAMAGES TO THE BRIDGE

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ONUC STANLEYVILLE

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UNCLAS KINLEO 542 GARDINER AHMED INFO GAVIOLA GHALEB AND KAUFMAN  
FROM SAMY. UNCONFIRMED REPORTS KONGOLO FELL TO ANC. IF TRUE  
AN ONUC COMMISSION SHOULD GO ON THE SPOT TO VERIFY AND GIVE ASSISTANCE  
TO POPULATION. IT IS FEARED THAT SAME SITUATION MIGHT REPEAT  
MIGHT ARISE AS ON NEW YEARS EVE WHEN ANC OCCUPIED SAME TOWN.  
IN GOING TO KONGOLO TO CHECK THEIR EQUIPMENT IN ORDER TO OPEN AS SOON  
AS POSSIBLE THEIR RAILWAY THROUGH TO ALBERTVILLE

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GARDINER CHALES FROM AHMED

FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM DUNORE (8539) QUOTE PLEASE CONVEY FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO GARDINER SUBQUOTE REFERENCE G-1757 AND G-1760. YOUR VISIT TO ALBERTVILLE WILL PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE CHALES SOME ORIENTATION. HIS CABLES CONVEY IMPRESSION THAT HE IS THINKING IN TERMS OF ONUC AERIAL SUPPORT FOR ANC OPERATION. ON THIS HE SHOULD BE DISABUSED. ON OTHER HAND, I WOULD HOPE THAT THE AIRCRAFT WOULD SOON BE REINSTRUCTED TO UNDERTAKE RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHTS AND TO SEEK TO PREVENT ANY KATANGHESE OFFENSIVE AERIAL ACTIVITY IN PURSUANCE OF OUR STANDING DIRECTIVE. I EXPECT TO HAVE THE PREVIOUS DIFFICULTY ENTIRELY CLEARED UP WITH SWEDISH MISSION ON WEDNESDAY THE 5TH AND WILL ADVISE YOU AND KIERGHE UNQUOTE UNQUOTE

R.

T. D.

BY :

CE

Drafted by :

Authorized : Mr. Ahmed

Date :

4 December 1962



PN 041120Z

FM ONUC ALB

TO ONUC LEO

INFO HQ SEC C KAM

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S E C R E T NO138 GARDINER FORCE COMDR AND COMDR SEC C FROM  
GHALEB AND COMDR SEC A MASIALA REPORTED NOW THAT THE AREAS  
OF KONGOLO MBILA LUMARIZA AND KASEYA HAVE BEEN CONTINUALLY  
BOMBARDED BY 10 KATANGESE AIRCRAFTS DURING THE NIGHT UNTIL  
THIS MORNING. THE MORALE OF HIS TROOPS THERE IS CRUMBLING  
DOWN SPECIALLY FOR THE 5TH BN WHICH IS SCATTERED IN THE  
KONGOLO AREA. THE 5TH BN IS STILL AT ITS POSITIONS.  
MASIALA IS SO DEPRESSED THAT HE WANTED TO GO IMMEDIATELY  
TO LEO TO REPORT TO GEN MOBUTU, EXPLAIN HIM THE SITUATION  
AND ASK FOR SOME REINFORCEMENTS. EYE CONVINCED HIM THAT  
HE SHOULD DELAY HIS DEPARTURE UNTIL TOMORROW AS MR GARDINER  
AND GEN RIKHYE AND PARTY ARE ARRIVING AND AS EYE BELIEVE  
THAT HIS PRESENCE WOULD BE INDISPENSIBLE FOR THE MEETING  
HERE. PLEASE KINDLY ADVISE SOONEST YOUR TIME OF ARRIVAL  
BT

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FM GARDINER KEBSEDE KAM

TO AHMED LEO

BT

SECRET UNN PLEASE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING TO BUNCHE NEW  
YORK QUOTE MASIALA REPORTS DETERIORATION SITUATION  
ALLEGEDLY DUE TO ATTACKS BY KATANGA AIRCRAFT. ANC MAY  
BE FORCED TO WITHDRAW FROM KONGOLO AREA. THIS AND OTHER  
FACTORS DISCUSSED AT KAMINA MEETING TODAY. URGENTLY  
REQUEST ARRIVAL OF 4 ITALIAN FB6 WITHIN 10 DAYS.  
SUGGEST ITALIANS FLY AIRCRAFT TO WHEELUS AND HAND THEM  
OVER TO AMERICANS THERE WHO IN TURN WOULD HAND THEM OVER  
TO ETHIOPIAN CREWS. THIS WOULD APPEAR SOLUTION  
ACCEPTABLE TO ALL PARTIES, ITALY BE ADVISED TO ENSURE  
THAT FB6 ARE FITTED FOR DROPPING BOMBS AND LAUNCHING  
ROCKETS. ETHIOPIAN GROUND CREWS MAY BE FLOWN DIRECTLY  
TO KAMINA UNQUOTE.

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INFORMATION ON KOROLO SITUATION :

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FM ONUC ALB

TO ONUC LEO

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S E C R E T NO 130 AHMED BACK FORCE COMDR FROM GHALEB  
COMDR SEC A.

FURTHER TO SEC A ALBFL01 OF 242010Z PARA C. MASIALA

INFORMED THAT HIS TROOPS REACHED 1 KILOMETER FROM CENTRE  
KONGOLO AND CITY PROBABLY IN ANC HANDS BEFORE NIGHT FALL.  
HE THEREFORE REQUESTS THAT KONGOLO SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY  
OCCUPIED BY ONUC FORCES FOR FOLLOWING REASONS

1. AS KONGOLO IS IN ONE OF THE MOST PRO TSHOMBE AREAS  
AND LOCAL POPULATION THERE FIGHTING WITH GEND HE FEARS  
THAT MOST OF THE BAHEMBA WILL HIDE THEIR WEAPONS AND  
CARRY ON UNDERGROUND ACTIVITIES AGAINST ANC. IF CITY  
OCCUPIED BY ONUC FORCES ANC WILL BE ABLE TO UNDERTAKE  
NECESSARY SECURITY MEASURES AND COUNTERACT INTERNAL  
QUERIALLA ACTIVITY
2. HE COULD TRANSFER 1 OF THE 3 ANC BATTALIONS FIGHTING  
IN THIS AREA TO THE SOUTHERN FRONT IN THE AREA OF MBUYU  
WHERE REINFORCEMENT BADLY NEEDED

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S 291700Z  
FM SEC A ALB  
TO ONUC LEO  
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S E C R E T ALBFLO/007 FOR CHIEF MIL INFO FROM KLEEN.

ALFA. JETS DID NOT RETURN TO ALB TODAY

BRAVO. SIGNAL FROM ONUC KABALO DATED 291200Z REPORTS  
INTER ALIA

FIRSTLY ACCORDING TO ANC INFORMATION ONLY 2 UN JET AC  
OVER KONGOLO AS KAT AC BOMBED ANC POSITIONS AT KONGOLO  
DILA RUMALIZA AND KASEYA

THIRDLY AT 1130Z 3 KAT AC OVER THIS AREA.

FOURTHLY AT 1200Z 4 KAT AC OVER SAME AREA.

FIFTHLY DUE TO KAT AIR ACTIVITY ANC NOW WITHDRAWING FROM  
KONGOLO TOWN

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SECRET INT 85 FOR FORCE COMD AIR COMD COS MIL OPS  
AND MIL INFO.

DAILY SITREP 149. PERIOD COVERED FROM 291600Z TO 291600Z.

PARA 1. KAT AIRCRAFT BOMBED ANC POSITION AT KONGOLO BILA  
RUMALIZA AND KASEYA AT 0530Z, 1130Z AND 1200Z. DUE TO KAT  
ACTIVITIES ANC IS WITHDRAWING FROM KONGOLO TOWN.

PARA 2. 3RD COY 28 ETH BN AT PIANA WAS RELIEVED BY 1ST  
COY 28 ETH BN CONSISTING OF 4 OFFICERS AND 190 ORS ON  
280600Z. ALL INFO

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3. AS NO AIR ATTACK HAS BEEN REPORTED ON KABALO SINCE ONUC FORCES IN POSITION HE BELIEVES THAT KAT AC WILL NO LONGER ATTACK KONGOLO

4. AS MOST BRIDGES IN KONGOLO AREA ARE STILL IN GOOD CONDITION PRESENCE OF ONUC TROOPS GUARDING THEM SHOULD PREVENT DESTRUCTION BY KAT AC. MASIALA REQUESTS THAT THESE POINTS SHOULD BE TAKEN UP WITH MOBUTU FOR ACTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. OUR VIEW ON THE MATTER.

1. AS KONGOLO IS THE ONLY RAILWAY ROAD AND RIVER LINK BETWEEN NORTH KATANGA WITH REST OF CONGO IT MUST BE STRESSED THAT OCCUPATION BY GEND KEEPS THIS REGION IN A STATE OF COMPLETE ISOLATION AND THUS JEOPARDIZING ANY ATTEMPT FOR AN ECONOMIC RECOVERY.

2. AS THE BAHEMBA POPULATION HAVE SO CLOSELY COOPERATED WITH GEND WE FEAR THAT ONCE ANC IS IN THE AREA THERE MIGHT BE EXTENSIVE AND INDISCRIMINATE REPRISALS AGAINST THIS POPULATION. ADVISE SOONEST.

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FM ONUC ALB  
TO ONUC LEO  
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SECRET NO 127

AHMED BACK FORCE COMDR FROM GHALES AND COMDR SEC A  
FURTHER TO MY 126 MASIALA GOT FROM MAJOR BENGALA AND COMDR IN  
NYUNZU FOLLOWING DETAILS OF KAT ATTACK ON MBUYU.

1. ONE OF THE 2 BATTALIONS ATTACKING IN THIS AREA IS  
COMPOSED STRICTLY WITH MERCENARIES AND THEY HAVE TAKEN MBUYU  
AND THEY ARE PROGRESSING NORTHWARD TOWARDS NYUNZU.
2. NO KAT AC WERE REPORTED IN THIS AREA. HE EMPHASIZED THAT  
IF NYEMBA AND NYUNZU ARE NOT OCCUPIED BY ONUC TROOPS AS HE  
CANNOT SEND REINFORCEMENTS FROM HERE THAT ALL HIS TROOPS  
FROM NYEMBA AND NYUNZU ARE ALREADY IN OPERATION IN THE LENGWE  
AREA AND THAT KAT GEND MIGHT REACH THE RAILWAY LINE BETWEEN  
ALB AND KABALO AND CUT IT. REQUEST ONUC LEO CONTACT GENERAL  
MOBUTU AND INFORM HIM OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS IMMEDIATELY.

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PN 261020Z

FM ONUC ALB

TO ONUC LEO

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SECRET NO 126 AHMED FORCE COMDR FROM GHALEB AND  
COMDR SEC A. COL MASIALA ADVISES THAT AT 0900 26 NOV

FIGHTING CONTINUED IN REGION MBUYU THIS TIME NO KAT  
AIRCRAFT REPORTED. KAT ~~SEVEN~~ GROUND FORCES ATTACK IN  
STRENGTH OF 2 BNS WITH CANNON MORTERS MACHINE GUNS.

NO FURTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE FROM REGION KABEYA MAJI

LEKGWE KAT TROOPS RETIRED FROM KISUNKULU IN DIRECTION  
TO FATUMA. 3 MORE WOUNDED ARRIVED ALB

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PN 252000Z

FM ONUC ALB

TO ONUC LEO

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SECRET NO 125 ARMED FORCE COMOR FROM BHALES AND  
COMOR SEC A

MASIALA HAS BEEN BRIEFED BY ANG HQ IN LEO THAT ONUC SHOULD  
UNDERTAKE AIR RECCES ON THE 25TH AND 26TH INST IN THE KONGOLO  
AREA. ON THIS ASSUMPTION HE GAVE ORDERS TO HIS TROOPS HOLDING  
THE POSITIONS IN KASEYA TO ADVANCE TOWARDS KONGOLO AND THEY  
STARTED PROGRESSING TOWARDS 1500 LOCAL TIME BUT HE SAID THAT  
NO ONUC AIRCRAFT WAS SEEN IN THIS AREA. HE REQUESTS THAT SUCH  
AIR RECCES SHOULD BE PLACED ON THE 26TH AND 27TH INST BY ALL  
RIGHTS AS HIS TROOPS ARE ALREADY IN OPERATION. THE AIR RECCES  
SHOULD TAKE PLACE OVER THE AREAS OF KASEYA KONGOLO AND  
PARTICULARLY LENGWE AS HE BELIEVES THAT WHEN SOME INFANTRY  
MOVEMENTS ARE TAKING PLACE IN THE KONGOLO AREA IMMEDIATELY  
SOME AIRCRAFT HIDDEN IN THE BUSH NEAR LENGWE TAKES TO AIR AND  
BOMBARDS HIS TROOPS NEAR KONGOLO. HE THINKS ALSO THAT KATANGERE  
GENDARMERIE WHO SEEM TO BE IN GREAT NUMBERS AT LENGWE ARE TRYING  
TO ADVANCE TOWARDS NYUNZU TO BE ABLE LATER ON TO CUT THE  
RAILWAY LINE FROM ALB TO KABALO. STARTING FROM LENGWE THEY



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COULD GO NORTHWARDS AND MAKE ATTEMPTS TO REACH BENDERA AND  
SABOTAGE THE HYDROELECTRIC PLANT PROVIDING ELECTRIC CURRENT  
TO THE WHOLE AREA OF ALB HE REPORTED THAT MBUYU OCCUPIED BY  
THE KATANGESE AFTER THE HEAVY BOMBARDMENTS OF THE PAST DAYS  
HAS BEEN RE-OCCUPIED BY THE ANC TODAY WHO HAVE ALSO CAPTURED  
THE VILLAGE OF MBAYO AND ARE NOW PROCEEDING ON THE ROAD  
TOWARDS KIAMBI. THIS HAPPENED AFTER HE HAD SENT TO THIS AREA A  
COMPANY OF ANC TROOPS FROM NYUNZU AND ANOTHER COMPANY FROM  
NYEMBA. HIS TROOPS HAVE CAPTURED SOME WEAPONS THE DETAILS OF  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN LATER ON. KAT AIRFORCE HAVE ATTACKED THIS  
AREA FROM 0600 TO 0800 HRS THIS MORNING. ANC HAS GOT A  
WOUNDED SOLDIERS WHO ARE BEING EVACUATED TO ALB  
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NOTE: UNDERLINED PORTION GARBLED AND MAY BE IN ERROR.  
SERVICE WILL BE INITIATED UPON REQUEST.



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FM ONUC ALB

TO ONUC LEO

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SECRET NO 124. BACK FORCE COMDR FROM GHAELE AND COMDR  
SEC A. FOLLOWING OUR SECRET NO 122 COL MASIALA INFORMS AT  
0940 LOCAL TIME THAT AERIAL BOMBING BY 6 KAT AIRCRAFTS ARE  
STILL CONTINUING ON SEC MBUYU AND NYUNZU AT THE SAME TIME  
ATTACKS BY INFANTRY OF KATANGESE WITH MORTARS, MACHINE GUNS  
ARE GOING ON ACCORDING TO REPORTS THEIR STRENGTH IS 3 BNS  
AT MBUYU AND 2 BATTALIONS AT KABEYA MAJI. KAT FORCES WELL  
EQUIPPED WITH JEEPS AND TRUCKS. THE WOUNDED SOLDIERS SINCE  
TRANSPORTED TO ALB REPORT PRESENCE OF MERCENARIES. THEY  
REPORT TO HAVE SEEN 1 JEEP WITH 4 EUROPEANS WHO WERE  
RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR INJURIES. ANC REPORTS HEAVY LOSSES  
WHICH CANNOT BE CHECKED AT THIS TIME AS ACCESS TO UNITS  
IMPOSSIBLE. IT IS ALSO UNKNOWN WHETHER ANC HAVE STILL  
AMMUNITION. COL MASIALA ASKS IMMEDIATE SUPPORT BY UNATIONS  
JETS ON 2 LINES (1) KISEKULU(KISIKULU 77) MBUYU ON THE

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JUNCTION OF THE ROADS OF NYENSA AND NYUNZU LEADING TO  
KIAMBUI WITH SPECIAL EFFORT IN THE REGION OF MBUYU AND  
(2) KABEYA MAJI KENGE. COL MABIALA REITERATES HIS  
REQUEST FOR UNATIONS JET AIRCRAFTS TO BE IMMEDIATELY  
STATIONED IN ALB AT THIS GRAVE SITUATION.

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PN 231500Z  
FM ONUC ALB  
TO ONUC LEO  
BT

SECRET NO 122 BACK FORCE COMDR FROM GHALES AND  
COMDR SEC A. MASIALA TODAY INFORMED THAT AYE CONTINUOUS  
BOMBARDMENT HAS GONE ON DURING THE DAY OVER THE AREA  
KABEYA-MAJI, LENGWE, BY 2 AIRCRAFT TYPE DC 3 AND OVER  
MBUYU MBAYO AREA BY 1 AIRCRAFT. CASUALTIES IN THE  
LATTER LOCALITY 2 WOUNDED ANC SOLDIERS AND 4 CIVILIANS  
KILLED. AIR RAIDS WERE ACCOMPANIED BY GROUND ATTACKS ON  
BOTH FRONTS. AT MBUYU ANC MANAGED TO CAPTURE 1 KAT  
JEEP AND 1 RADIO TYPE PRC-10. MASIALA SAID FURTHER KAT  
HAVE AIRSTRIPS AT KONGOLO MBULULA AND LENGWE ON KONGOLO  
NYUNZU ROAD WHERE ATTACKING AIRCRAFTS ARE BASED. MASIALA  
SAID UNATIONS RECONNAISSANCE JETS HAD BEEN NOTICED BY HIS  
MEN AT MBUYU NYUNZU YENSA BUT NOT OVER KABEYA-MAJI. HE  
WAS INFORMED OF THE CONTENTS IN YOUR SECRET FC 1512 WHICH  
HEARTENED HIM CONSIDERABLY BUT REQUESTS THAT AT LEAST 2  
JET FIGHTERS BE BASED IN ALB IN ORDER THAT THEIR

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INTERVENTION MAY BE TIMELY AND EFFECTIVE AND POINTS OUT  
THAT BASING THE FIGHTERS IN KAN INEVITABLY RESULTS IN  
DELAYS WHICH WOULD NOT BE THE CASE IF THEY WERE  
STATIONED HERE

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TO ONUC LEO

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SECRET NO119 BACK FORCE CONDR FROM GHALEB AND CONDR

SEC A. FURTHER MY SECRET 117 MASIALA PAID ME ANOTHER

VISIT AT 1715 LOCAL TIME STATING THAT BOMBARDMENT

CONTINUED THIS AFTERNOON BETWEEN KABEYA-MAJI AND LENGWE.

SEVERAL RAIDS BY 6 PLANES, 2 JET FIGHTERS 2 TWIN ENGINE

CESSNA TYPE AND 2 DC3 TYPE

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27/22/RH/22/1815Z NOV 62

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P N 191650Z

FM ONUC ALB

TO ONUC LEO

BT

S E C R E T NO 111 GARDINER FORCE COMMANDER FROM GHALAB  
COMMANDER SEC A SECRET 109 COL MASIALA INFORMED TODAY  
THAT KATANGESE BOMBARDMENTS CONTINUED NOVEMBER 18 AND 19  
OVER MBATI AREA. VICTIMS OF AIR RAIDS 6 VILLAGERS DEAD  
AND 4 WOUNDED. MASIALA COULD GIVE NO DETAILS OF AIRCRAFT  
RESPONSIBLE FOR BOMBING

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FM CMVC ALB

TO CMVC LEO

BT

S E C W E T NO 100 GARDNER FORCE COMMANDER FROM GHALES. FURTHER  
TO MY 106 AND OUR CONVERSATION THIS MORNING INTERROGATED 2 INJURED  
ANC SOLDIERS WHO HAD ARRIVED AT 0800 HOURS TODAY AND WHO CLAIMED  
THAT THEY WERE WOUNDED IN MNUYU YESTERDAY MORNING AT 0900 BY  
FRAGMENTS OF BOMBS THROWN BY A SMALL RED TAILED AIRCRAFT. OUT  
OF 3 BOMBS THROWN 2 EXPLODED AND 1 WAS BLIND. IN THE AFTERNOON  
AT 1600 HRS 4 MORE BOMBS WERE THROWN PARA THEY CONFIRMED THAT  
26 CIVILIANS WERE KILLED AND 3 ANC WOUNDED. 1 OF THE WOUNDED  
SOLDIERS INTERROGATED TOLD ME THAT HE WAS INJURED WHILE IN  
PROCESS OF LEAVING HIS POSITION TO RESCUE SOME OF THE WOUNDED  
CIVILIANS MAJ NABIALA STATED THAT SINCE 1600 HOURS YESTERDAY  
UNTIL 0700 THIS MORNING THE AIRCRAFT WAS STILL BOMBARDING THIS AREA  
KILLING 18 MORE CIVILIANS PARA I GAVE INSTRUCTIONS TO OMS DOCTORS  
TO FOLLOW ALL THE CASES OF WOUNDED IN THE HOSPITAL TO SEE IF REALLY  
THEY HAVE SOME BOMB FRAGMENTS BUT THEIR TASK IS EXTREMELY  
DIFFICULT AS X-RAY OUT OF ORDER ALTHOUGH WE HAVE ASKED FOR ITS  
REPAIR SEVERAL TIMES.

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FM ONUC ALB  
TO ONUC LEO

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S E C R E T UNOGBK 5 GARDINER FORCE COMMANDER FROM

GHALEB AND COMMANDER SECTOR A

MESSAGE 5 FROM KABALO (SENT FROM KABALO AT 1545Z 16 NOV)

QUOTE ANC INFORMED A COMBINED INFANTRY LAND AIR ATTACK AT

KIAMB1 WEF 0600 TODAY. LATEST INFO. KATANGESE TROOP

BUYU. BUYU IS THE LOCATION OF 12 BATTALION ANC UNQUOTE

BT

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FM HQ SECTOR A AVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

BT

UNCLAS INT IS FOR AIR COMMANDER. REF YOUR A 1016. IT IS  
CONFIRMED THAT AC IS OF DC3 TYPE BUT NATIONALITY IS UNKNOWN.  
LOCATION AC SHOT DOWN BY AND 40 KM SOUTH WEST KITENCE  
NEAR CROSSING OF LURUVU RIVER AND KABONGO RD BUT EXACT LOCATION  
IS NOT AVAILABLE. CAS UNKNOWN SINCE AMC DID NOT CARRY OUT  
AN INVESTIGATION. AMC CONFIRMED THAT THEY SAW AC WENT DOWN

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TO ONUC LEO

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S E C R E T NO 106 GARDINER FORCE COMDR FROM GHAELE AND COMDR SEC A.  
FURTHER OUR SECRET 95 AND 98 MASIALA INFORMS ME THAT THE AREA OF  
MBUYU NORTH OF KIAMBI HAS BEEN CONTINUOUSLY BOMBARDED AND HE ADDED  
THAT THIS BOMBARDMENT HAS CAUSED DEATH OF 25 CIVILIAN POPULATION  
AND MANY WOUNDED. KATANGESE GENDARMERIE FROM KIAMBI HAVE TAKEN  
ADVANTAGE OF THIS BOMBARDMENT TO ADVANCE NORTHWARD TOWARDS  
NYUNZU AND CROSSED THE RIVER LUKULU. AS HE HAS A VERY FEW NUMBER  
OF TROOPS THERE AND NOT WELL ARMED HE IS CONCERNED THAT IF THE  
GENDARMES PROCEED NORTHWARD THEY COULD CUT THE RAILWAY LINE  
BETWEEN ALB AND KABALO SOMEWHERE BETWEEN NYUNZU AND NYEMBA. HE  
THINKS THAT ONUC RECONNAISSANCE IN THIS AREA COULD STOP THIS  
CONTINUOUS AIR ATTACKS BY THE KATANGESE

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FM ONUC ALB  
TO ONUC LEO  
BT

SECRET NO 105 GARDINER FORCE COMDR FROM GHAELE.  
FURTHER TO MY SECRET 103 WE HAVE SENT TODAY BY FLIGHT SF2 4  
BOXES IN 3 SACKS WITH FOLLOWING CONTENTS. BOX 1 AND 2 CONTAIN  
BROKEN BLIND BOMB IN 2 PARTS. THIS WAS DESCRIBED IN OUR SECRET  
102. THIS WAS HANDED OVER TO US BY MASIALA FOR YOUR EXAMINATION  
AND THEN TO HAND IT OVER TO GEN MOBUTU. BOX 3 AND 4 CONTAIN  
MATERIAL DESCRIBED IN YOUR MEMO OF 14 NOV ALSO SENT ALONG  
WITH BOX AND ALSO PARTICULARS GIVEN IN SECRET 103

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FM ONUC ALB  
TO ONUC LEO  
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SECRET UNO6K 4 GARDINER FORCE COMDE FROM GHALED AND  
COMDER SEC A. MESSAGE 4 FROM KABALO (TIME SENT FROM KABALO  
151525Z NOV) QUOTE MISSION COMPLETED BY 1400Z TODAY. THE  
FOLLOWING GENERAL REPORT AVAILABLE

1. CONFIRM THERE WAS AYE BOMBING AT KABALO ON SUNDAY 11 NOV  
AT APPROX 0500Z. 1 AIRCRAFT WAS USED HAD 2 ENGINE COLOUR GREY  
PRESUMABLY AYE DC3.

2. 7 BOMBS AND 2 SMALL 36 GRENADE WERE DROPPED. 2 BOMBS UMIN  
EXPLODED ONE UMIN UNEXPLODED DUE TO IMPOSSIBLE SWAMP  
DIMENSION AND DETAIL OF EFFECT WILL FOLLOW IN FULL REPORT.

3. CASUAL 1 WOMAN AND 1 MAN WERE HIT BY BOMB FRAGMENTS.

WOMAN IS NOW AN OUTPATIENT AND MAN WENT TO ALB. PLACES OF  
HIT WERE AT THE ARM AND FOOT RESPECTIVELY.

4. NO SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OR BUILDINGS ONLY  
GLASSES AND WINDOW PANES WERE BROKEN.

5. SOME FURTHER BOMB FRAGMENTS WERE FOUND BUT ALL THE SAME AS  
WITH YOU

6. 5 WITNESSES WERE INTERVIEWED 1 WAS AN EYEWITNESS COULD NOT  
HELP MUCH IN IDENTIFYING THE TYPE OF AIRCRAFT.

7. 1 UMIN UNEXPLODED BOMB STILL IN SOFT GROUND AND EYE HAVE  
GIVEN ORDERS NOT TO TOUCH. REQUEST AYE DEMOLITION TEAM TO  
DESTROY IT AND IF TAKEN OFF GROUND UNDESTROYED WOULD HELP THE  
DIFFICULTY OF IDENTIFICATION, PLEASE INFORM YOUR DECISION.

8. AYE FULL REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED

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FM ONUC ALB

TO ONUC LEO

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SECRET NO 104 GARDINER FORCE COMMANDER FROM GHALEB.  
MASIALA REPORTED THAT ANC ADVANCE RECONNAISSANCE PARTY  
HAVE SEEN IN LENGWE (ON THE NYUNZU KONGOLO ROAD) A HANGER  
CONCEALED IN THE BUSH IN WHICH WAS HIDDEN 2 JET AIRCRAFTS  
NEAR AIRSTRIP. HQ WILL GIVE US FURTHER DETAILS LATER ON.  
HEM REPORTED ALSO THAT AT THE JUNCTION OF THE ROAD OF  
LENGWE AND KAREYA MAJI AND THE NEW ROAD FROM THE NORTH  
FROM BENDERA 2 KATANGESE AIRCRAFT HAVE THROWN 4 BOMBS ON  
THE ANC POSITIONS WITHOUT CAUSING ANY DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES  
TO HIS MEN.

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TO ONUC LEO

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S E C R E T UNOGK 3

GARDINER FORCE COMMANDER FROM GHALEB AND COMMANDER SECTOR A  
MESSAGE 3 FROM KABALO (TIME SEND FROM KABALO 1015Z QUOTE  
ALPHA AND INFO 1 AIRCRAFT FLEW OVER KITENGE FOR BOMBING.  
ALSO INFORMED BY AND THAT PLANE WAS SHOT BY THEM AND  
AIRCRAFT DOWN AT 40 KM FROM KITENGE NEAR RIVER LUGUVU  
KABONGO ROAD.

BRAVO. INVESTIGATION NEARLY COMPLETED. GENERAL REPORT  
WILL SEND BY 1600Z TODAY

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29/15/GHL/151608Z NOV 62

PN 151300Z

FM ONUC ALB

TO ONUC LEO

BT

S E C R E T UNOGK 2 GARDINER FORCE COMDR FROM GHALES AND  
COMMANDER SECTOR A. MESSAGE 2 FROM UNATIONS OBSERVER

GROUP KABALO SENT AT 1700Z 14 NOVEMBER QUOTE ALPHA

PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION COMPLETED IN THE TOWN AREA BY  
1600Z TODAY. BOMB CRATERS WERE MEASURED. WILL VISIT OTHER  
ASSEMBLY AREA TOMORROW. BRAVO. AND INFO THAT AN  
AIRCRAFT PASSED KITULE (30 KM NORTH OF KABALO AT 1615Z)

AND HEADING FOR THIS LOC. THEY HAVE BEEN ALERTED AND MY  
ADVICE HAS ASKED UNQUOTE

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25/15/RH/15/1450Z NOV 62



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SECRET

KABALO  
Ref. INVEST/1  
16 Nov. 62

To: Force Comd  
ONUC LEO

Ref 7/12

Subject: Report on the alleged bombing activity at KABALO

1. Pursuant to the order by the Force Comd to FC 1478 of 13 Nov. 62, the fol personnel proceeded to KABALO by DC-3 ac on 14 Nov 62 at 0600 hrs. Z.

(a)	Lt-Col KHALID YASSIN	-	Sector Comd
(b)	Mr. G. GHALEB	-	Chief of Civil Affairs
(c)	Lt.Col. MASIALA + 2 Aids	-	ANC HQ
(d)	Major JERVEN	-	Air Ops
(e)	Lt MOHD ZAIN	-	7 R Malay MSF (IC Gp)
(f)	Lt. RYNNING	-	Air Ops
(g)	Surg. Lt. CHATTERJEE	-	Medical Officer
(h)	2Lt. MOHD KASSIM	-	7 R Malay MSF
(i)	2 Lt ILUNGA	-	ANC HQ

The gp also brought 5 other military personnel which included 3 wireless operators with 2 sets. Persons in (a) (b) (c) and (d) left the loc at 1200 hrs Z after a preliminary on the spot investigation.

2. The gp visited all the sites of the explosions except one (i.e. No.1 site) where the bomb was in a swampy area and totally inaccessible. Details of the effect on each site are shown in Annex II.

3. Witnesses

The gp also interviewed 5 witnesses and mostly the key people in the area.

(a) Major KITENGE - The Commanding Officer of the ANC battalion at KABALO told that there were 9 - 10 explosions and the ANC were surprised. The air show had started on 8 Nov. 62 by flying over KABALO only. There were two types of ac which were normally seen in the area. One is a single engine and painted all khaki and they are the bombers normally. The other is a white body with khaki wings which are for recce only. Major KITENGE told that the bombing has demoralised the tps very much.

(b) Madame KIUNGU MWAYUMA is the woman that was hit by the bomb fragment. In addition to her medical statement, Madame KIUNGU told that she was about 10 metres from the explosion when she was hit. It was about seven o'clock in the morning on Sunday 11 Nov, 62.

(c) Mr. KITUKA BERNARD was interviewed next. He is the Station Master of KABALO and at the time of the bombing he was in the Office. He heard the plane at about seven or eight o'clock that Sunday morning. A few minutes later he heard some explosions and he rushed upstairs and through the window he saw a great smoke (marked S2 in trace P) in front of the station near the ROND POINT. The plane went to the direction of KONGOLO.

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(d) Mr. KAKUDJI LUC is the Territorial Administrator and he stayed close to the bombing places of No.5 bomb areas. He saw the plane and gave the fol informations:

- (i) Two engine ac
- (ii) Grey/Khaki colour
- (iii) Flew at a lower height than normally does
- (iv) As big as a DC-3
- (v) Had wings sweep back.

Mr. KAKUDJI said that two houses were reported damaged on window panes. No other damage on property was reported.

He knew of no other casualty except for two persons who had a minor hit. Lastly, Mr. KAKUDJI said that the population is very scared and most of them had gone to the bush.

(e) Mr. NGOY BONAVENTURE - a policeman is an eye witness of the bombing. He stayed in the police quarter where bombs No. 2 - 3 - 4 were dropped. He gave the fol information:

- (i) Bombing occurred at seven o'clock in the morning Sunday 11 Nov.62.
- (ii) The plane was coming from SOUTH to NORTH or NORTH WEST.
- (iii) Height not more than 1000 metres.
- (iv) The bombs were released from the door of the plane.
- (v) The plane retards while bombing and gains speed after releasing bombs.
- (vi) The ac has two motors and painted grey.

#### 4. Damages

There is no substantial damages seen as the effects of the bombs. Two houses had their window panes broken. One building (the Cercle at No.6 bomb) had its front doors and window glasses completely broken. No other damages were reported to the local authority or seen by the investigation gp.

#### 5. Casualty

Two persons were lightly injured as victims of the bombardment. The man had a hit at the foot and the investigation gp did not see this case as the man had departed for ALBERTVILLE. The other is a woman and her evidence was recorded by the doctor accompanying the investigation gp. See Annex I.

#### 6. Fragments Specimen

Fragment specimen were found and were numbered as fol:

- No. 2 - Found in No.2 bomb area
- No. 4 - Found in No. 4 bomb area
- No. 5 - Found in No. 5 bomb area.

Other fragments had been sent earlier to ONUC ALBERTVILLE.

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### 7. Photographs

Dome photographs were taken of the bomb craters and the effects of splinters on nearby objects. These will be forwarded when ready.

### 8. Details of Bombardment

Attached as Annex II is the detail of the bombardment. Trace P shows the places where bombs were dropped.

Trace Q shows the measurement of each crater and other available detail.

### 9. Conclusions

The investigation gp finds that:

- a) There was bombing on KABALO on Sunday 11 Nov.62 commencing approximately 0500 hrs Z.
- b) Two minor casualty exist as the effect of thegx bombardment.
- c) Bombing was carried out on one flight only.
- d) No definite evidence available to pinpoint the model of ac but it could be possibly a DC-3 ac.

### Signed

1. Lt. MOHD ZAIN BIN DAUD -- IC Investigation Gp
2. Lt. RYNNING
3. Surg. Lt. CHATTERJEE
4. 2Lt MOHD KASSIM MUSTAFFA

Copy to: HQ SECTOR A  
ONUC HQ ALBERTVILLE



INTERVIEWED/EXAMINED AT THE LOCAL HOSPITAL AT ABOUT 0900 HRS  
ON 15 NOV 62

I. KYUNGU MWAYUMA, aged 20 years, wife of policeman KAKUJI LAURENT.  
As per her statement :

- (a) Date and time of incident - 0700 hrs, 11 Nov 62 (SUNDAY)
- (b) Site of the incident - Near Police Camp.
- (c) Incident :

She was coming from their quarters at the police camp; heard the plane as well as the explosion; frightened, turned back and ran towards their house; got injury on the left arm and leftside of the head from flying fragments.

- (i) Left arm. Injury from bomb fragments. No foreign body inside the wound. Through and through injury in the muscles of the left arm. The track extends about 4 inches.

Wound of entry. About 1/4 inch in diameter in the back of the middle of the left arm; lower than the wound of exit suggesting the injuring fragment coming from below up.

Wound of exit. At the lateral aspect of the left arm, just below the insertion of the deltoid; about 1 inch in diameter, stitched in the local hospital. No bony or nerve injury.

- (ii) Scalp

Minor grazing wound about 1/4 inch in diameter in the left parietal region of the head injuring only the skin of the scalp. Both the injuries are minor in nature. The wounds in the left arm showing signs of healing and has not impaired the function of the arm in anyway. There is no paralysis, bony or nerve injury. The injury on the head is very superficial and trivial.

2. Mr. FUNDI JEAN, Assistant Director of the hospital said that except for the woman mentioned above no other person reported to the hospital with any kind of injury from the explosion.

Another person, with only minor injury of the foot, left KABALO for ALBERTVILLE. No further detail of him could be obtained.

Mr. FUNDI JEAN was emphatic that there was no other case from bomb injury and there was no possibility of any other wounded person going away from here unnoticed as the population was very small.

To summarise - There were only two cases of minor injuries from bomb explosion on 11 Nov 62.

KABALO  
Dated / 15 NOV 62

(Surg. Lt A.K. CHATTERJEE)



BOMB NO. 1

I unexplored bomb, about 1 KM and on a heading of  $130^{\circ}$  from bomb No. 2.

BOMB NO. 2

Width 5 metres

Depth approx 110 CM

Angle  $140^{\circ}$  direction from the unexploded bomb No. 3 at a distance about 35 metres.

Ground : Swampy

Fragments found

(i) In tree 2 metres from the hit

BOMB NO 3

Unexploded bomb about 50 metres SOUTH, SOUTH WEST of bomb No. 4 (still in the ground)

Diameter CA 20 CM

Ground : Swampy

BOMB NO. 4

About 200 metres from the main road.

Depth 70 CM

Width 200 CM

Fragments found

In tree height up to 7 metres from the ground at the distance of 16 metres from the hit.

Main direction of blow - to the directions  $30^{\circ}$  -  $240^{\circ}$ .

SMOKE GRENADE NO 1

I smoke grenade about 50 metres in direction  $120^{\circ}$  from bomb No. 6.

BOMB NO. 5

Diameter 310 CM

Depth 88 CM

Angle  $95^{\circ}$  from bomb No. 6 at a distance of 50 metres.

Ground : Soft sand soil

Shape : Kind of a cup

Fragments found

On house walls height up to  $4\frac{1}{2}$  metres from the ground at the distance of 20 Metres from the hit.



BOMB NO 6

About 150 yards to the SOUTH from bomb No. 7.

Width 180 CM

Depth 55 CM

No shown direction of the blown.

Fragments found

- (i) In tree, height up to 5 metres from the ground at the distance of 33 metres (angle 335°)
- (ii) Fragment on the wall up to 60 metres from crater.
- (iii) In tree, height up to 7 metres from the ground at the distance of 10 metres from the hit.

Most of the blast appears to be EAST and WEST directions.

Ground : Medium hard sand soil.

No major damages to the building.

BOMB NO 7

Unexploded bomb.

Depth 52 CM

Diameter CA 15½ CM

Bomb hit the ground approx 80° EAST. (as shown on trace Q)

Surface diameter after being touched 41 CM

Bomb taken away and send forward to LEO by ANC;

SMOKE GRENADE NO 2

In front of rail-road station as shown on trace P.

CONCLUSION

The bombing has been carried out by a 2-engine aircraft (probably DC-3) at straight and level flight - banking the aircraft when bombs has been thrown out through the door. According to one of the witnesses the aircraft was flown at a reduced power while mission was carried out.

HEADING

Bomb Nos 1 - 2 - 3 and 4 was released on a heading of 005° thereafter turning to 335° and then rest of the load was released.

HEIGHT

Altitude of aircraft between 2 to 3000 ft.

REMARK

Believe bomb fragments to be effective up to 60 metres from ZERO POINT .