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UNAMIR - RWANDA
Time: 0800 Hours NYT 19 August 1994

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Rwandan Government promised it will not send troops to the HPZ without UN permission.
- Zaire threatened to close its border with Rwanda by August 21.

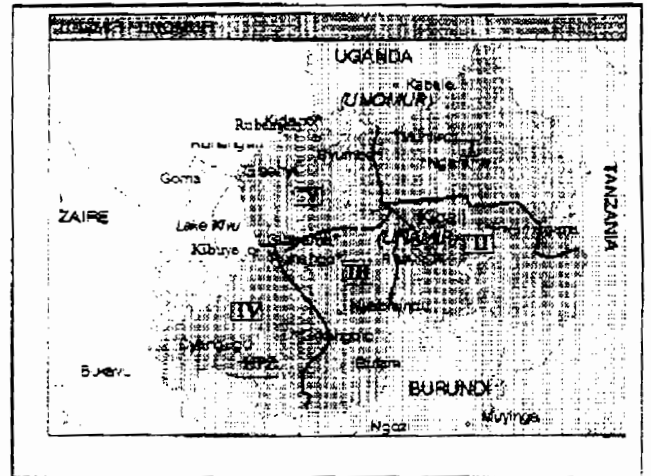
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The SRSG held a meeting to discuss the restoration of electricity and commercial air traffic at the Kigali airport. He also attended the UNREO South-west Task Force meeting at UNDP accompanied by Mr. James Baker of DHA to discuss the humanitarian strategy and contingency plans for the flow of refugees.

On 18 August, Prime Minister Faustin Twagiramungu said that RPF will not move into the Humanitarian Protection Zone (HPZ) without permission from the United Nations, senior UN official said. (Reuters)

Zaire has threatened to close its border with Rwanda unless UN officials find a third country that will give refuge to members of the former Rwanda government currently on its territory. Representatives of UNHCR have told the Zairian Government that they were not empowered to give such an undertaking and to meet the deadline set by Zaire for midnight (local time) 21 August, in anticipation of the withdrawal of French forces from the HPZ. (AFP)

The Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) urged its member countries to help rehabilitate Rwanda and welcomed the establishment of a new government. (AFP)



MILITARY

On 18 August, the military situation remained calm. The Rwandese People's Army (RPA) continued to patrol in KIGALI city and coordinate humanitarian activities with UNAMIR and NGO's. The Ghanaian battalion continued to conduct day and night patrol and mounted snap roadblocks in their area of responsibility. Ethiopian troops continued to arrive in KIGALI and deploy in GYANGUGU area, Sector 4B. The flow of displaced people from the GIKONGORO area towards the west of the HPZ continued.

HUMANITARIAN

The UNHCR returned 240 displaced persons from GISENYI to KIGALI. The move of displaced persons by IOM from BYUMBA area and GISENYI/RUHEMGERI to KIGALI was suspended following the incident in which one of their vehicles drove over a land mine on 17 August.

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On 18 August, four Rwandan Ministers traveled to CYANGUGU to convince Rwandans it is safe to stay at home, but their audience was smaller than the number of refugees fleeing the country. (AP) The office of the Prime Minister of France announced that his country will send an additional 1,000 tonnes of food aid to the "safe zone" it set up in southwestern Rwanda. France has already given Rwanda refugees 6,000 tonnes of food aid and a first installment of the new aid will be flown to the eastern Zaire town of GOMA on 19 August. It was also announced that 6,000 tonnes of wheat equivalent donated by France to the WFP would be shipped to Rwanda in September. Prime Minister Balladur stressed on 14 August that French soldiers would remain on Zaire's side of the border with Rwanda to provide "logistical support" for the humanitarian operations. (AFP) Humanitarian groups fearful of widespread lawlessness among Rwanda refugees are demanding protection by foreign soldiers. UN officials met with concerned aid workers and admitted that Zairian troops or a refugee police could not maintain control. (AP)

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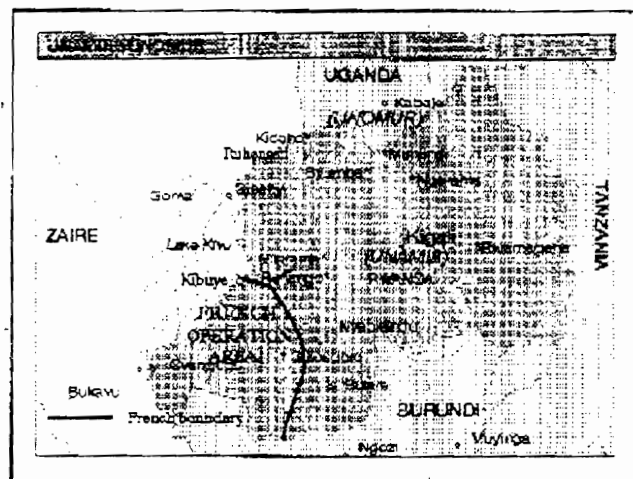
► The USA is urging France to keep its soldiers in Rwanda to avert another massive refugee exodus into Zaire.

POLITICAL

On 16 August, USA officials and Western diplomats said that the USA is urging France to keep its soldiers in Rwanda to avert another massive refugee exodus into Zaire, but Paris is sticking to its scheduled departure on August 22. USA Defence Secretary William Perry said he had no timetable for pulling the USA troops out of Rwanda and border refugee camps, even though funding for them runs out at the end of September. (Reuter)

MILITARY

On 15 August, the military situation remained calm. The Rwandese People's Army (RPA) continued to intensify the patrols in KIGALI and coordinate humanitarian activities with UNAMIR and NGO's. Refugees and displaced persons continue to return to their homes. Life in KIGALI continues to gradually pick up. Ex-RGF troops in NYAMASHERE are awaiting answers from the Rwandan Government on their integration into the RPA. Sector 4 reports the movement of about 10,000 people from KIBUYE towards CYANGUGU and the exodus of displaced persons from the HPZ to Zaire continued. UNAMIR's Ghanaian troops conducted day and night patrols in the Humanitarian Protection Zone (HPZ). The British contingent moved their HQ into KIGALI Stadium. The British engineers have restored main power to most parts of BYUMBA following the repair of the town generator.



BURUNDI: On 16 August, Burundian soldiers killed a Tutsi leader of a youth group after days of ethnic violence in BUJUMBURA which many fear will sink into the same chaos as Rwanda. (Reuter) Other sources reported that the RPA soldiers are following refugees fleeing into Burundi to extort money and possessions. Reports of suspected RPA soldiers crossing into Burundi to kill refugees are increasing. "Soldiers in uniform" killed 200 refugees in a three week period near camps in NGOZI, KIRUNDO, and MIYUNGA Provinces. To avoid having more refugees killed, aid organizations are transferring refugees into the interior of the country, with some 9000 people per day expected to go next week. Refugee camps are overflowing and continuing to strain aid organizations. There are an estimated 263,500 Rwandan refugees in Burundi, mostly Hutus.

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UNHCR transported 400 displaced persons from GISENYI to KIGALI. The convoy was stopped ten times along the route by RPA troops for security checks. On 15 August, the NGO IOM moved 16 trucks to BYUMBA to bring displaced persons back to KIGALI. A UNAMIR food convoy unloaded 45 tones of food in KIBUYE.

Tens of thousands of Rwandans start heading for the Zaire border after France says it will stick to its deadline for pulling out its troops from the HPZ. Aid agencies said it will be beyond international ability to cope with a fresh exodus on such a scale. A senior UN official said there is only two or three days of food rations in BUKAVU for the refugees already there. (Reuter)

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