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SECTOR 1B, GITARAMA - SITREP

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 31 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 301800 TO 311800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
  - (1) RPA. NTR.
  - (2) FRGF. NTR.
  - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
- B. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM WENT TO TAMBWE COMMUNE (7653) AND VISITED SECTORS BUHORO (7558), NTENYO (7459), MUYUNZWE (7959), BUMUOGOMBE (7365), TAMBWE (7956) AND MUNINI (7855). EXCEPT FOR ISOLATED ACTS OF BANDITRY, THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM.

(2) SIX ARMED BANDITS REPORTEDLY ATTACKED A LOCAL BUSINESSMAN AT ABOUT 2100 HRS ON 23 DEC 95 IN NTENYO SECTOR. THE BUSINESSMAN KILLED ONE BANDIT WHILE TWO OTHERS ENCOUNTERED AN RPA PATROL WHILE FLEEING AND WERE SUBSEQUENTLY SHOT DEAD. NO ARRESTS WERE MADE.

(3) ONE PERSON WAS ARRESTED IN TAMBWE SECTOR ON 27 DEC 95 AND FOUR OTHERS IN BUMUOGOMBE SECTOR ON 28 DEC 95, ALL FOR SUSPECTED GENOCIDE.

(4) THE SECOND PATROL'S VEHICLE BROKE DOWN AND COULD NOT GO ON PATROL.

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4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.
5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. NTR.
6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.
7. LOGISTICS


VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07	
	UNDER REPAIR	03	
	SERVICEABLE	03	
	UNSERVICEABLE	01	(UNAMIR 1019, FOUR RUNNER AT SECTOR HQ. REQUIRES RECOVERY. ENGINE PROBLEM SUSPECTED)

8. MILOB STATE. AS STATED YESTERDAY, THIS HQ HAS HAD TO CUT DOWN ON MANY OF THE CTO AND LEAVE REQUESTS SUBMITTED BY DEPARTING MILOBS. THIS WAS THE ONLY WAY TO ENSURE THAT MINIMAL PATROLLING COULD CONTINUE DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT MILOBS COMING TO THIS HQ BE ALLOWED TO REPORT AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE TO HELP THIS MANPOWER SHORTAGE, ESPECIALLY THOSE FROM CLOSING SECTORS.

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22	
	LEAVE/CTO	07	
	PRESENT	15	(10 CLEARING OUT)

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NO CHANGE TODAY ON THIS SECTOR'S COMMUNICATIONS. THE FAX IS WORKING ON AND OFF, LINE 11794 IS NOISY BUT USABLE, LINE 11795 IS SO NOISY THAT IT WOULD DRIVE A SAINT CRAZY AND THE RWANDA TEL LINE STILL DOES NOT ALLOW US TO REACH UNAMIR SWITCHBOARD.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. PEOPLE WERE BUSY ATTENDING CHURCH TODAY. PROBLEMS CAN BE EXPECTED TONIGHT ONCE "URGWAWA" WILL HAVE DONE ITS DEED. MILOBS TONIGHT ARE INVITED TO BEGIN THE NEW YEAR AT THE ICRC COMPOUND. ALL MILOBS FROM GITARAMA WISH YOUR HEADQUARTERS A PEACEFUL NEW YEAR AND HAVE A SPECIAL THOUGHT FOR THOSE OF VIEW ON DUTY WHILE OTHERS WILL BE CELEBRATING.

  
R. V. BLANCHETTE  
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 30 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 291800 TO 301800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.  
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. THE VISIT OF ALL RWANDESE DIGNITARIES FROM GITARAMA, INCLUDING THE VICE-PRESIDENT, THE PRIME MINISTER, THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE, THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION, FIVE DEPUTIES AND TWO PREFETS UNFOLDED WITHOUT PROBLEM AT THE GITARAMA STADIUM TODAY. APPROXIMATELY 5000 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE CEREMONIES. THE PREFET AGAIN HAD A STRONG SPEECH (THIS IS HIS SECOND WITHIN 10 DAYS) CRITICIZING VIOLENCE PROBLEMS IN THE PREFECTURE. THE PREFET ALSO PRAISED CARITAS WHICH HAS BEEN CREDITED WITH BUILDING 2000 HOUSES AND THIS PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT IS GOOD SIGN OF BETTER RELATIONS BETWEEN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES. HE THEN INTRODUCE GITARAMA'S OLDEST MAN WHO TOLD MGEN KAGAME THAT HE SHOULD NOT FEAR, THAT THE FORCES OUTSIDE OF THIS COUNTRY COULD NOT DESTABILIZE THE "NEW RWANDA". THE PRIME MINISTER CRITICIZED THE UN FOR NOT HAVING HELP THE RETURN OF REFUGEES IN THE PREVIOUS REGIME. HE ALSO MENTIONED THAT ALL HAD TO FIGHT RELIGIOUS EXTREMISM AND HE BLAME MANY OF THE CURRENT PROBLEMS IN RWANDA ON THE PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION. MGEN KAGAME APPEALED TO THE SENSE OF FAMILY IN THE GITARAMA POPULATION. HE EXPRESSED SADNESS AT THE THOUGHT OF INSECURITY PROBLEMS IN THE PREFECTURE AND SAID THAT ARRANGEMENTS HAD TO BE MADE LOCALLY TO FIGHT THIS PLIGHT.

B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA. NTR.  
(2) FRGF. NTR.  
(3) OTHERS. NTR.

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3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR VISITED MILOB HQ TODAY TO LIAISE ON NUMEROUS ISSUES.

B. TEAMS

(1) THE FIRST TEAM WENT TO MURAMA COMMUNE (6749) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES: 306 (316 ON 20 DEC 95) 276 GENOCIDE CASES. THE TEAM ALSO ESCORTED TWO TRUCKS FROM INDBATT TO CONVEY A CULTURAL TROUPE FROM THE COMMUNE TO THE GITARAMA STADIUM. THE TROUPE WAS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTIVITIES MARKING THE VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO RUNDA COMMUNE (9882) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM VISITED SECTORS SHELII (9379), RUGALIKA (9574), KINYAMI (9177) AND RUYENZI (9783) SECTORS. LOCALS REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES: 241 (218 ON 9 DEC 95) 230 GENOCIDE CASES.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. THANK YOU FOR YOUR REPLY TODAY ACCEPTING THE SUGGESTION THAT WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, RETURNEES STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. A NEW MATRIX WILL BE SENT TO YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

B. THANK YOU FOR THE INFORMATION TODAY THAT THE TRANSCRIPT OF THE CRITICIZED RADIO UNAMIR PROGRAM HAS BEEN SENT TO THIS HQ. IT IS CONFIRMED THAT NOTHING HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT ANOTHER COPY BE SENT SO THAT WE CAN SETTLE THE ISSUE WITH THE KAYENZI BOURGMESTRE.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE. THIS HQ HAS HAD TO CUT DOWN ON MANY OF THE CTO AND LEAVE REQUESTS SUBMITTED BY DEPARTING MILOBS. THIS WAS THE ONLY WAY TO ENSURE THAT MINIMAL PATROLLING COULD CONTINUE DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT MILOBS COMING TO THIS HQ BE ALLOWED TO REPORT AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE TO HELP THIS MANPOWER SHORTAGE.

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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR LETTER TODAY WHERE YOU RESENTED THE TONE OF MY YESTERDAY'S ASSESSMENT. I REREAD WHAT I WROTE AND I WISH TO SINCERELY APOLOGIZE TO THOSE WHO FELT OFFENDED BY MY CHOICE OF WORDS. I HAVE BEEN LED ASTRAY BY MY DESIRE TO BEST FULFILL THIS MANDATE WITHOUT DUE CONSIDERATION FOR YOUR HQ'S DIFFICULT SITUATION IN THIS TURBULENT PERIOD. YOUR SUPPORT WAS, IS AND WILL ALWAYS BE APPRECIATED FROM MYSELF AND ALL MILOBS IN GITARAMA. THANK YOU.



R. V. BLANCHETTE  
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 29 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 281800 TO 291800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. TOMORROW IS GOING TO BE WRITTEN OFF DAY IN GITARAMA WITH THE VISIT OF ALL RWANDESE DIGNITARIES FROM GITARAMA, INCLUDING THE VICE-PRESIDENT AND THE PRIME MINISTER.

B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA. TODAY, ANOTHER INFORMANT CAME TO ANNOUNCE THAT HE COULD LOCATE ANOTHER THIEF FROM THE RECONCILIATION ROOM BREAK IN. HE HAS BEEN REDIRECTED TO THE IPJ.
- (2) FRGF. NTR.
- (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.

B. TEAMS

(1) THE FIRST TEAM WENT TO KIGOMA COMMUNE (7649) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES: 133 (137 ON 21 DEC 95) 133 GENOCIDE CASES. IT WAS CONFIRMED THAT THREE OF THE FOUR TEACHERS ARRESTED FOR MEETING AT NIGHT WERE FREED FOLLOWING KAGAME'S PUBLIC DECLARATION.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO KAYENZI AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES: 241 (218 ON 9 DEC 95) 230 GENOCIDE CASES. THE IPJ INDICATED THAT HE BELIEVED A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY 10 PEOPLE WERE SPECIALIZING IN MAKING FALSE ACCUSATION FOR MONEY. THE ENQUIRY IS ONGOING. THE BOURGMESTRE ASKED FOR HELP IN

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THE TRANSPORT OF WOODEN LOGS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES.

(3) THE THIRD TEAM WAS GONE FROM 0700 TO 1930 HRS TO DISTRIBUTE NATIONAL EXAMS TO THREE DIFFERENT COMMUNES.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. THE DIGGING AT THE GITARAMA PRISON CONTINUE TODAY AND TOMORROW THE WORK SHOULD BE FINISHED. THE ICRC HAS BEEN VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THE WORK PERFORMED BY THE FORCE ENGINEERS.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED (THIS SUGGESTION HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOUR HQ IN OUR LAST FIFTEEN SITREPS AND NO ACKNOWLEDGEMENT EITHER POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE HAS YET TO BE RECEIVED).

B. THIS HQ IS STILL AWAITING FOR THE CASSETTES AND TRANSCRIPT OF RADIO UNAMIR PERTAINING TO ALLEGATIONS MADE BY THE KAYENZI BOURGMESTRE WHO SAYS THAT UNAMIR IS SPREADING FALSE INFORMATION ON THE AIR. THE BOURGMESTRE SAW THE SECT CDR ON THIS MATTER ON 20 DEC 95 AT THE SECURITY MEETING ATTENDED BY MGEN KAGAME. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT YOU REMINDED RADIO UNAMIR OF THIS ISSUE (WAS DISCUSSED BETWEEN THE SECT CDR AND THE SOO).

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE. IT WILL BE IMPERATIVE THAT OFFICERS POSTED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS FROM CLOSING SECTORS COME IN AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE SINCE OPERATIONS MAY COME TO A HALT BECAUSE OF A LACK OF MANPOWER (TERMINAL SIX DAY CLEARANCES CANNOT BE WAVED AND MANY OFFICERS ARE OUT OF THE COUNTRY ON LEAVE).

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
	LEAVE/CTO	07
	PRESENT	15 (10 CLEARING OUT)

9. MISCELLANEOUS. EFFORTS TODAY TO IMPROVE THIS SECTOR'S COMMUNICATIONS ARE APPRECIATED BUT NO SUCCESS YET. THE FAX IS WORKING ON AND OFF, LINE 11794 IS NOISY BUT USABLE, LINE 11795 IS SO NOISY THAT IT WOULD DRIVE A SAINT CRAZY AND THE RWANDA TEL LINE DOES NOT ALLOW US TO REACH UNAMIR SWITCHBOARD.



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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I SUBMITTED A FAX TODAY TO THE ACTING CMO REQUESTING THAT THE MANNING OF THE SECTORS BE BASED ON THE ESTABLISHMENT THAT HAS BEEN AGREED TO, THAT IS TO SAY, GIVING A PRIORITY TO SECTOR 4 AND 5 BY GIVING THEM EACH 30 MILOBS. IT WAS ACCEPTED THAT SECTOR 2 COULD TRY TO COVER BOTH GITARAMA AND KIBUYE WITH ONLY 24 MILOBS. BRINGING THIS NUMBER DOWN TO 18 JUST DOES NOT MAKE SENSE AND IS NOT FAIR TO ANYBODY POSTED HERE. OUR INVOLVEMENT WITH REFUGEES WILL BE CENTRAL WITH THREE RETURNEES CAMPS (ONE WITH A CAPACITY OF 3000) AND LET'S NOT FORGET THAT THE MANDATE STILL HAS A MONITORING TENANT AND THESE TWO PREFECTURES ARE NOT SLEEPY HEAVENS. IF THERE IS A SHORTAGE OF OFFICERS BECAUSE OF A REQUIREMENT TO FILL POSITIONS IN HEADQUARTERS, THAT IS UNDERSTANDABLE. HOWEVER, LET'S SHARE THE PAIN. THIS HQ HAS SIX OF THE NINE VACANCIES CAUSED BY THE SUPPLEMENTARY POSITIONS TO FILL IN HEADQUARTERS. IT WOULD BE REASONABLE FOR THIS HQ TO HAVE TWO OFFICERS FROM EACH OF SECTOR 4 AND 5 AND THIS WOULD ACTUALLY HELP CORRECTING THE BALANCE OF NATIONALITIES (SEE MY FAX FOR DETAIL). MY SUGGESTION IS NOT A BARGAINING POSITION TO OBTAIN ONE, TWO OR THREE OFFICERS. I NEED FOUR OFFICERS TO PUT TOGETHER AN ORGANIZATION THAT WILL HAVE TO LAUNCH LONG RANGE OVERNIGHT PATROLS IN KIBUYE WHERE THE MINE THREAT IS REAL AND IN GITARAMA WHERE THINGS ARE FAR FROM QUIETING DOWN. I NEED SUPPORT FROM YOUR HEADQUARTERS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS. IF THESE FOUR VACANCIES ARE NOT FILLED, I WOULD APPRECIATE A STAFF VISIT TO THIS HEADQUARTERS TO EXPLAIN THE NEW CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS TO SECTOR 2 MILOBS. THIS HQ AND ALL MILOBS WILL SUPPORT THIS CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS WITH WHATEVER MANPOWER IS AVAILABLE BUT A DETAILED ESTIMATE OF THE SITUATION HAS BEEN MADE WITH INPUTS FROM ALL MILOBS AND UNAMIR, AS A WHOLE, NEEDS A SECTOR 2 THAT HAS A VIABLE MANPOWER BASE. YOUR SUPPORT IS BADLY NEEDED.



R. V. BLANCHETTE  
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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\*\*\* ACTIVITY REPORT \*\*\*  
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TX/RX NO.	7038
CONNECTION TEL	11278
CONNECTION ID	
START TIME	29/12 20:28
USAGE TIME	02'16
PAGES	1
RESULT	OK

ALL THREE PAGES RECEIVED

TEL 11256 AT 21:30

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DO/MILOR GP HQ ADVISED TO

SEND ONE COPY TO INDRABT.

(WE WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL IN TRANSMITTING IT!)

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START TIME	29/12 20:10	
USAGE TIME	05'29	
PAGES	1	
RESULT	OK	✓

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 28 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 271800 TO 281800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. LAST NIGHT, THE RPA, ACCOMPANIED BY THREE MILOBS WENT TO THE HOUSE OF A SUSPECT OF THE BREAK-IN INTO THE RECONCILIATION ROOM ON 25 DEC 95. NOTHING COULD BE FOUND. IT WAS FURTHER DECIDED THAT THE RPA WOULD LAUNCH A CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION AT FIRST LIGHTS TODAY IN A KABGAYI NEARBY HILL TO ARREST SOME OF THESE THIEVES. THE SECT CDR AND TWO OTHER MILOB WITNESSED THE OPERATION. SIX SUSPECTED THIEVES WERE ARRESTED, ONE OF WHICH WHO WAS EXTREMELY WELL HIDDEN IN THE GROUND UNDER A MATTRESS. APPROXIMATELY HALF OF THE FOREIGN CURRENCY COLLECTION WAS RECOVERED AND NUMEROUS OTHER ITEMS WHICH WERE STOLEN FROM THE ROOM. THE TEAM LEADER, THE INFAMOUS KAMANZI, WAS NOT CAUGHT. MILOBS HAD TO INTERVENE TO INTERRUPT A TORTURE SESSION THAT WAS STARTING WITH KAMANZI'S BROTHER WHO WAS THE ONE FOUND HIDDEN. THE SIX THIEVES WERE BROUGHT TO THE IPJ WHO PUT THEM IN THE NYAMABUYE CACHOT (GITARAMA CITY) WHICH IS ALREADY OVERCROWDED. THIS WHOLE EPISODE CERTAINLY CRYSTALLIZED THE DETENTION PROBLEMS THIS COUNTRY HAS, ESPECIALLY THAT SOME OF THESE THIEVES ARE MINORS WHO HAD TO BE INCARCERATED WITH ADULTS AND A WOMAN WHO WAS ARRESTED BUT WHO COULD NOT DETAINED BECAUSE SHE WAS NURSING A BABY. THE SECT CDR, WHO REGISTERED AS THE PLAINTIFF, WILL GO BACK TO THE IPJ TOMORROW MORNING TO HEAR WHAT MAY HAVE COME FROM THE THIEVES' INTERROGATION. THERE ARE STILL THREE "SERIOUS" THIEVES AT LARGE WHO ALL HAVE THE POTENTIAL OF BEING ARMED. THE RPA IS GENUINE IN ITS EFFORT TO FIND THESE CULPRITS ESPECIALLY THAT A MILITARY CAP HAS BEEN FOUND AT THE CRIME SCENE.

(2) FRGE. NTR.

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(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE VISIT TO THE GITARAMA PRISON WITH THE FORCE ENGINEERS CO HAD TO BE CANCELLED BECAUSE OF WORK TAKING PLACE WITHIN THE PRISON.

B. TEAMS

(1) THE FIRST TEAM WENT TO TABA COMMUNE (8883) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES: 279 (259 ON 19 DEC 95) 246 GENOCIDE CASES.

(2) THE TEAM TRANSPORTED THREE "MILD OFFENDERS" FROM NYAMABUYE CACHOT (7570) TO MUSAMBIRA CACHOT (8274).

(3) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO MUSHUBATI COMMUNE (6970) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. IT VISITED SECTORS MWAKA (6569), CUKIRO (6066), NTONGWE (6265) AND GISEKE (6564). CACHOT FIGURES: 116 (109 ON 30 NOV 95) 80 GENOCIDE CASES.

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4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE DIGGING AT THE GITARAMA PRISON CONTINUE TODAY.

B. THERE IS AN OUTBREAK OF MALARIA IN CUKIRO (6066) AND GISEKE (6564) SECTORS IN MUSHUBATI COMMUNE. MILOBS DELIVERED 15 CARTONS OF ORS TO THE NYARUSANGE AND GASHWERU HEALTH CENTERS.

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8. MILOB STATE. THE OFFICER WHO IS THE OBJECT OF A SERIOUS DISCIPLINARY PROBLEM HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THE CMO'S REQUEST TO RECEIVE HIS STATEMENT BEFORE 0800 HRS TOMORROW.

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
	LEAVE/CTO	07
	PRESENT	15

9. MISCELLANEOUS. AS REPORTED IN OUR LAST THREE SITREPS, TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION QUALITY KEEPS ON DETERIORATING IN THIS SECTOR. YOUR HELP IS REQUESTED IN CONVINCING INDSIGS OF THE NEED TO SEND SOMEBODY HERE TO HELP (EVEN THOUGH WE HEARD THAT THE PROBLEM COULD BE TRAFIPRO).

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I WAS QUITE DEMORALIZED TO WITNESS THE INCREDIBLE SCOPE OF THE DETENTION PROBLEM IN RWANDA TODAY. HAVING TO BRING SIX MORE OFFENDERS TO THIS OVERCROWDED CACHOT WAS A REAL PAIN. BUT WHAT ELSE COULD BE DONE?



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A. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED. (THIS SUGGESTION HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOUR HQ IN OUR LAST FOURTEEN SITREPS AND NO ACKNOWLEDGEMENT EITHER POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE HAS YET TO BE RECEIVED).

B. THIS HQ IS STILL AWAITING FOR THE CASSETTES AND TRANSCRIPT OF RADIO UNAMIR PERTAINING TO ALLEGATIONS MADE BY THE KAYENZE BOURGMESTRE WHO SAYS THAT UNAMIR IS SPREADING FALSE INFORMATION ON THE AIR. THE BOURGMESTRE

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6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE. THE OFFICER WHO IS THE OBJECT OF A SERIOUS DISCIPLINARY PROBLEM HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THE CMO'S REQUEST TO RECEIVE HIS STATEMENT BEFORE 0800 HRS TOMORROW.

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
	LEAVE/CTO	07
	PRESENT	15

9. MISCELLANEOUS. AS REPORTED IN OUR LAST THREE SITREPS, TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION QUALITY KEEPS ON DETERIORATING IN THIS SECTOR. YOUR HELP IS REQUESTED IN CONVINCING INDSIGS OF THE NEED TO SEND SOMEBODY HERE TO HELP (EVEN THOUGH WE HEARD THAT THE PROBLEM COULD BE TRAFIPRO).

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I WAS QUITE DEMORALIZED TO WITNESS THE INCREDIBLE SCOPE OF THE DETENTION PROBLEM IN RWANDA TODAY. HAVING TO BRING SIX MORE OFFENDERS TO THIS OVERCROWDED CACHOT WAS A REAL PAIN. BUT WHAT ELSE COULD BE DONE?



R. V. BLANCHETTE  
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 22 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 271800 TO 281800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. LAST NIGHT, THE RPA, ACCOMPANIED BY THREE MILOBS WENT TO THE HOUSE OF A SUSPECT OF THE BREAK-IN INTO THE RECONCILIATION ROOM ON 25 DEC 95. NOTHING COULD BE FOUND. IT WAS FURTHER DECIDED THAT THE RPA WOULD LAUNCH A CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION AT FIRST LIGHTS TODAY IN A KABGAYI NEARBY HILL TO ARREST SOME OF THESE THIEVES. THE SECT CDR AND TWO OTHER MILOB WITNESSED THE OPERATION. SIX SUSPECTED THIEVES WERE ARRESTED, ONE OF WHICH WHO WAS EXTREMELY WELL HIDDEN IN THE GROUND UNDER A MATTRESS. APPROXIMATELY HALF OF THE FOREIGN CURRENCY COLLECTION WAS RECOVERED AND NUMEROUS OTHER ITEMS WHICH WERE STOLEN FROM THE ROOM. THE TEAM LEADER, THE INFAMOUS KAMANZI, WAS NOT CAUGHT. MILOBS HAD TO INTERVENE TO INTERRUPT A TORTURE SESSION THAT WAS STARTING WITH KAMANZI'S BROTHER WHO WAS THE ONE FOUND HIDDEN. THE SIX THIEVES WERE BROUGHT TO THE IPJ WHO PUT THEM IN THE NYAMABUYE CACHOT (GITARAMA CITY) WHICH IS ALREADY OVERCROWDED. THIS WHOLE EPISODE CERTAINLY CRYSTALLIZED THE DETENTION PROBLEMS THIS COUNTRY HAS, ESPECIALLY THAT SOME OF THESE THIEVES ARE MINORS WHO HAD TO BE INCARCERATED WITH ADULTS AND A WOMAN WHO WAS ARRESTED BUT WHO COULD NOT DETAINED BECAUSE SHE WAS NURSING A BABY. THE SECT CDR, WHO REGISTERED AS THE PLAINTIFF, WILL GO BACK TO THE IPJ TOMORROW MORNING TO HEAR WHAT MAY HAVE COME FROM THE THIEVES' INTERROGATION. THERE ARE STILL THREE "SERIOUS" THIEVES AT LARGE WHO ALL HAVE THE POTENTIAL OF BEING ARMED. THE RPA IS GENUINE IN ITS EFFORT TO FIND THESE CULPRITS ESPECIALLY THAT A MILITARY CAP HAS BEEN FOUND AT THE CRIME SCENE.

(2) ERGF. NTR.

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(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE VISIT TO THE GITARAMA PRISON WITH THE FORCE ENGINEERS CO HAD TO BE CANCELLED BECAUSE OF WORK TAKING PLACE WITHIN THE PRISON.

B. TEAMS

(1) THE FIRST TEAM WENT TO TABA COMMUNE (8883) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES: 279 (259 ON 19 DEC 95) 246 GENOCIDE CASES.

(2) THE TEAM TRANSPORTED THREE "MILD OFFENDERS" FROM NYAMABUYE CACHOT (7570) TO MUSAMBIRA CACHOT (8274).

(3) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO MUSHUBATI COMMUNE (6970) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. IT VISITED SECTORS MWAKA (6569), CUKIRO (6066), NTONGWE (6265) AND GISEKE (6564). CACHOT FIGURES: 116 (109 ON 30 NOV 95) 80 GENOCIDE CASES.

(4) THE TEAM VISITED NYARUSANGE HEALTH CENTRE AND LEARNED THAT CARITAS WOULD STOP SUPPLY DRUGS TO THE CENTRE BY THE END OF THE YEAR. THE NGO WILL ALSO CEASE TO PAY THE 13 LOCAL EMPLOYEES IT WAS SPONSORING AT THE CENTRE.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE DIGGING AT THE GITARAMA PRISON CONTINUE TODAY.

B. THERE IS AN OUTBREAK OF MALARIA IN CUKIRO (6066) AND GISEKE (6564) SECTORS IN MUSHUBATI COMMUNE. MILOBS DELIVERED 15 CARTONS OF ORS TO THE NYARUSANGE AND GASHWERU HEALTH CENTERS.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED (THIS SUGGESTION HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOUR HQ IN OUR LAST FOURTEEN SITREPS AND NO ACKNOWLEDGEMENT EITHER POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE HAS YET TO BE RECEIVED).

B. THIS HQ IS STILL AWAITING FOR THE CASSETTES AND TRANSCRIPT OF RADIO UNAMIR PERTAINING TO ALLEGATIONS MADE BY THE KAYENZE BOURGMESTRE WHO SAYS THAT UNAMIR IS SPREADING FALSE INFORMATION ON THE AIR. THE BOURGMESTRE

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6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS


VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
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8. MILOB STATE. THE OFFICER WHO IS THE OBJECT OF A SERIOUS DISCIPLINARY PROBLEM HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THE CMO'S REQUEST TO RECEIVE HIS STATEMENT BEFORE 0800 HRS TOMORROW.

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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I WAS QUITE DEMORALIZED TO WITNESS THE INCREDIBLE SCOPE OF THE DETENTION PROBLEM IN RWANDA TODAY. HAVING TO BRING SIX MORE OFFENDERS TO THIS OVERCROWDED CACHOT WAS A REAL PAIN. BUT WHAT ELSE COULD BE DONE?

  
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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 27 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 261800 TO 271800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.  
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. A NEW BOURGMESTRE IN TABA COMMUNE (8883) HAS BEEN APPOINTED AND HE WAS THE PREVIOUS IPJ IN RUNDA COMMUNE (9882).

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA

(A) THE RPA HAS A "MILITARY CACHOT" IN NYAKABANDA COMMUNE AND IT IS HOLDING THREE FRGF SOLDIERS OUT OF THE 13 IT WAS HOLDING ON 21 DEC 95. THE IPJ APPARENTLY HAS NO WILL TO INTERVENE IN THESE CASES BUT IT APPEARS THAT THIS COULD BE A PROBLEM BECAUSE THESE FRGF SOLDIERS' STATUS IS NOT CLEAR. IF THEY CAME BACK FROM ZAIRE AND REFUSED TO JOIN IN THE RPA AND FOLLOWED NO TRAINING, THEY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS CIVILIANS AND UNDER THE PURVIEW OF A CIVILIAN IPJ. IF, ON THE OTHER HAND, THEY WERE RE-ENROLLED AND ARE NOW REFUSING TO SERVE, IT IS CLEAR THAT THE RPA HAS JURISDICTION. THE PROBLEM HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO HR FOR AN OPINION. IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO OBTAIN THE BDE CDR'S OPINION ON THE MATTER (HE IS FRGF).

(B) THE UNHCR REP INFORMED US THAT A RETURNEE IN NTONGWE COMMUNE (9057) FOUND HIS HOUSE OCCUPIED BY THE RPA WHO HAS REQUESTED 30 000 RWF TO HAVE IT BACK. ONCE HE HAD GATHERED THE MONEY, HE WAS TOLD THAT THE TOLL WAS UP TO 80 000 RWF. APPARENTLY, THE BOURGMESTRE IS SUPPORTING THE RPA'S CLAIM AND THAT TWO PEOPLE HAVE REPORTED BEING UNDER PRESSURE TO ACCUSE THIS MAN OF BEING A GENOCIDAIRE. THE CASE HAS BEEN PASSED TO HR.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

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(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.

B. TEAMS

(1) THE FIRST TEAM WENT TO NTONGWE COMMUNE (9057) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. IT VISITED SECTORS RUTABO (9455) AND GITWA (9555). CACHOT FIGURES: 460, BASED ON PREVIOUS VISIT. THE PRISONERS HAVE STARTED COMPLAINING ABOUT THE LACK OF FOOD PROVIDED BY THE CONCERN FEEDING PROGRAM. THERE WAS A NEW RPA PLATOON CDR WHO WAS UNCOOPERATIVE.

(2) 10 REFUGEES HAVE RECENTLY (IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS) COME BACK FROM BURUNDI. THEY SETTLED IN THEIR SECTOR WITHOUT PROBLEM. THE UNHCR REP INFORMED US THAT MALICOY TRANSPORTED 14 REFUGEES TO THIS COMMUNE TODAY AND THAT THEY WERE ESCORTED BY BUTARE MILOBS. *THIS IS GOOD BUT THIS HQ SHOULD HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF THIS OPERATION.*

(3) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. IT VISITED SECTORS KIRWA (6387), KAGOGWE (6490), KIBIMBA (6394) AND KIBANGU (6496). CACHOT FIGURES: 89 (93 ON 19 DEC 95) 48 GENOCIDE CASES. THE TEAM ALSO CARRIED SEVEN "MILD OFFENDERS" FROM NYAMABUYE CACHOT TO THIS COMMUNE AND BULINGA COMMUNE (6679). DURING THE TRIP, IT WAS ACTUALLY FOUND OUT THAT TWO OF THEM WERE GENOCIDE CASES (IT IS SURPRISING THAT THEY WERE ALLOWED TO CARRY THESE PEOPLE WITHOUT AN ESCORT).

(4) THE TEAM VISITED GITEGA HOSPITAL FOUND OUT THAT THE HOSPITAL IS IN A DIRE NEED OF MALARIA MEDICATION. AN APPEAL IS LAUNCHED TO ANY NGO WHO CAN HELP.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE DIGGING AT THE GITARAMA PRISON CONTINUE TODAY.

B. THE GENERATOR AT THE GATAGARA CENTRE WAS MOVED BY 95 CMSG AND THE BENEFICIARIES WERE VERY HAPPY.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED (THIS SUGGESTION HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOUR HQ IN OUR LAST

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B. THIS HQ IS STILL AWAITING FOR THE CASSETTES AND TRANSCRIPT OF RADIO UNAMIR PERTAINING TO ALLEGATIONS MADE BY THE KAYENZE BOURGMESTRE WHO SAYS THAT UNAMIR IS SPREADING FALSE INFORMATION ON THE AIR. THE BOURGMESTRE SAW THE SECT CDR ON THIS MATTER ON 20 DEC 95 AT THE SECURITY MEETING ATTENDED BY MGEN KAGAME. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT YOU REMINDED RADIO UNAMIR OF THIS ISSUE (WAS DISCUSSED BETWEEN THE SECT CDR AND THE SOO).

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE. THIS HQ HAS A SERIOUS DISCIPLINARY PROBLEM WITH A MILOB WHO REFUSES TO WORK. A SEPARATE CONFIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE HAS BEEN INITIATED.

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
	LEAVE/CTO	06
	PRESENT	16

9. MISCELLANEOUS.

A. AS REPORTED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION QUALITY KEEPS ON DETERIORATING IN THIS SECTOR. YOUR HELP IS REQUESTED IN CONVINCING INDSIGS OF THE NEED TO SEND SOMEBODY HERE TO HELP.

B. AN INFORMANT HAS TOLD US AT 1730 HRS HAS TOLD US THAT HE CAN IDENTIFY THE LOCATION OF THE RECONCILIATION ROOM'S BOUNTY. THIS SECTOR IS NOW EMBARKING IN THE RECOVERY OPERATION WITH AN IPJ AND THE RPA. MORE TO FOLLOW.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. SORRY, I AM PRESSED BY TIME SINCE WE ARE USING A COURIER TO DELIVER THIS SITREP.



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COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 25 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 241800 TO 251800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE RPA OFFERED A VERY GOOD COOPERATION ON THE INVESTIGATION OF THE ARMED ROBBERY AT THIS HQ. IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO FIND AN IPJ THIS MORNING. THE SECT CDR ACCOMPANIED THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER AND ARMED SOLDIERS TO VISIT THE AREA WHERE THE SUSPECTED THIEVES ARE FROM. ONE PERSON WHO WAS WELL ACQUAINTED WITH THE GROUP OF THIEVES WAS ARRESTED BUT IT WAS FELT THAT HE MAY HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE THEFT. THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER REQUESTED TO TAKE THE SUSPECT TO THE GITARAMA PRISON TO CONTINUE THE INVESTIGATION WITH AN IPJ. NO MORE INFORMATION HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.

B. TEAMS. THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL PATROLLING IN THE SECTOR OVER THE PERIOD EVEN THOUGH MILOBS TRAVELLED A LOT THROUGHOUT NYAMABUYE PREFECTURE. GITARAMA AND ITS ENVIRONS REMAINED CALM WITH LOCALS CELEBRATING THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES WITH CHURCH SERVICE AND FAMILY GATHERINGS. MILOBS HELD A FUNCTION AT THE SECT CDR'S RESIDENCE (THE REC ROOM WAS PUT OUT OF BOUNDS FOR THE INVESTIGATION).

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.



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5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

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B. THIS HQ IS STILL AWAITING FOR THE CASSETTES AND TRANSCRIPT OF RADIO UNAMIR PERTAINING TO ALLEGATIONS MADE BY THE KAYENZE BOURGMESTRE WHO SAYS THAT UNAMIR IS SPREADING FALSE INFORMATION ON THE AIR. THE BOURGMESTRE SAW THE SECT CDR ON THIS MATTER ON 20 DEC 95 AT THE SECURITY MEETING ATTENDED BY MGEN KAGAME. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT YOU REMINDED RADIO UNAMIR OF THIS ISSUE (WAS DISCUSSED WITH THE SECT CDR AND THE SOO).

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS

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	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
	LEAVE/CTO	06
	PRESENT	16

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. AS REPORTED IN A SEPARATE INCIDENT REPORT, A GROUP OF ABOUT FOUR OR FIVE THIEVES OF WHICH AT LEAST ONE WAS ARMED BROKE INTO THE SECTOR HEADQUARTERS, THREATENED TO KILL ONE OF THE NIGHT GUARDS AND STOLE ABOUT 60 000 RWF WORTH OF MERCHANDISE BELONGING TO MILOBS. MP AND RPA ARE CONDUCTING SEPARATE INVESTIGATIONS.

B. TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION QUALITY KEEPS ON DETERIORATING IN THIS SECTOR. THE SECT CDR'S LINE (11795) HAS BEEN USELESS FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS, EVEN AFTER TECHNICIANS CAME TO "REORIENT THE ANTENNA". THIS "RURAL SHOOT" SYSTEM IS A FAILURE AND IT IS REQUESTED THAT A QUICK SOLUTION BE FOUND BECAUSE THE RWANDA TEL LINE IS OF LITTLE HELP BECAUSE OF THE DIFFICULTIES OF GETTING THROUGH THE UNAMIR SWITCHBOARD.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I AM DISAPPOINTED FOR RECEIVING NO REPLY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO MY REQUEST TO HAVE ARMED TROOPS HERE FOLLOWING TODAY'S ARMED ROBBERY. THESE

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THIEVES' PATTERN SO FAR HAS BEEN TO CONTINUE STEALING UNTIL THEY ARE ARRESTED OR DETERRED FROM ATTACKING. NOW THAT THEY ARE ARMED, I SINCERELY HOPE THAT THEY WILL BREAK THIS PATTERN BECAUSE LIVES ARE THREATENED AND THERE IS NOTHING ELSE THAT I CAN DO AT MY LEVEL.



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LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 24 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 231800 TO 241800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
  - (1) RPA. NTR.
  - (2) FRGF. NTR.
  - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
- B. TEAMS
  - (1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE RUTOBWE (7781) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION CALM THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNE.
  - (2) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUSHUBATI (6970) INCLUDING SECTORS MWAKA (6579), GATIGABISI (6672) AND GIKOMERO (7093). LOCALS REPORTED THE SITUATION CALM.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

- A. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED (THIS SUGGESTION HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOUR HQ IN OUR LAST ELEVEN SITREPS).
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C. A LETTER FROM THE PREFET LISTED SOME MORE TRANSPORT REQUESTS THAT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THIS SECTOR'S PATROL PROGRAM.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
	LEAVE/CTO	06
	PRESENT	16

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. MERRY CHRISTMAS.



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FROM: SECTOR IB HQ DATE: 23 DEC 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ

INFO: CO INDBATT

MEETING WAS HELD BETWEEN CO INDBATT AND NYABIKENKE ON 21 DEC 95. DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD ALONG THEIR COMMON BORDER. SITREP COVERING

PERIOD 221800 TO 231800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

A. GENERAL. CALM.

B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. NTR.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. NTR.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THERE WAS POWER FAILURE AT THE SECTOR HQ FROM 1100HRS TILL 1830HRS. ALL COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT DID NOT FUNCTION DURING THE PERIOD.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYAMABUYE (7470) INCLUDING SECTORS MUNYINYA (7770), MMUSUMBA (7869) AND SHYONGWE (7466). THE GENERAL SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM BY

LOCALS.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYABIKENKE (7292) INCLUDING SECTORS NGOMA (7488), KIGWAGURU (7490), KIYUMBA (7093) AND RUKARAGATA (7091). BOTH OFFICIALS AND LOCALS REPORTED THE SITUATION IN ALL SECTORS AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 129 (123 - 5 DEC 95). GENOCIDE 121.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE HUMANITARIAN OFFICER VISITED OFFICES OF THE NGOS IN GITARAMA TO DEBRIEF THEM ON THE CONFERENCE AS REPORTED IN OUR SITREP OF YESTERDAY.

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B. THE INDIAN ENGINEER SECTION CURRENTLY DIGGING HOLES AT THE GITARAMA PRISON CONTINUED ITS WORK. DATE: 11 DEC 95

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. A MEETING WAS HELD BETWEEN THE BOURGMESTRES OF KAYENZI AND NYABIKENKE ON 21 DEC 95 TO COORDINATE SECURITY ALONG THEIR COMMON BORDER.

B. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED (THIS SUGGESTION HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOUR HQ IN OUR LAST TEN SITREPS).

C. THIS HQ IS STILL AWAITING FOR THE CASSETTES AND TRANSCRIPT OF RADIO UNAMIR PERTAINING TO ALLEGATIONS MADE BY THE KAYENZE BOURGMESTRE WHO SAYS THAT UNAMIR IS SPREADING FALSE INFORMATION ON THE AIR. THE BOURGMESTRE SAW THE SECT CDR ON THIS MATTER ON 20 DEC 95 AT THE SECURITY MEETING ATTENDED BY MGEN KAGAME.

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7. LOGISTICS

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8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
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	PRESENT	16

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THE SITUATION IS CALM AND NO IMMEDIATE BREACH OF THE PEACE IS FORESEEN. ISOLATED ACTS OF BANDITRY ARE LIKELY TO OCCUR DURING THE CHRISTMAS.

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LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 22 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 211800 TO 221800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
  - (1) RPA. NTR.
  - (2) FRGF. NTR.
  - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
- B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE RUNDA (9882) INCLUDING SECTORS RUYENZI (9783), GIHARA (9686) AND KIGESE (9677). THE GENERAL SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNE. CACHOT FIGURES 316 (328 - 6 DEC 95). GENOCIDE 300.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MASANGO (6254) INCLUDING SECTORS NYAKOGO (6255), RUKINA (6359) AND MUYUNZWE (6151). THE SITUATION IN ALL SECTORS WAS REPORTED CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 283 (279 - 12 DEC 95). GENOCIDE 249.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

- A. THE HUMANITARIAN OFFICER ATTENDED AN NGO CONFERENCE AT THE PREFECTURE INVOLVING 12 NGOS. THE CONFERENCE REVIEWED THE ACTIVITIES OF THE NGOS FOR THE PAST YEAR AND ALSO DISCUSSED FUTURE PLANS FOR THE PREFECTURE.

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B. THE INDIAN ENGINEER SECTION CURRENTLY DIGGING HOLES AT THE GITARAMA PRISON CONTINUED ITS WORK.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. A CEREMONY WAS HELD AT RUNDA YESTERDAY 21 DEC 95 FOR THE NGO ARDEC TO OFFICIALLY HAND OVER THE FIRST TWO COMPLETED HOUSES TO THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT. THE PRIME MINISTER ATTENDED THE CEREMONY. 103 HOUSES HAVE REACHED VARIOUS STAGES OF COMPLETION IN THE COMMUNE.

B. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED (THIS SUGGESTION HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOUR HQ IN OUR LAST NINE SITREPS).

C. THIS HQ IS STILL AWAITING FOR THE CASSETTES AND TRANSCRIPT OF RADIO UNAMIR PERTAINING TO ALLEGATIONS MADE BY THE KAYENZE BOURGMESTRE WHO SAYS THAT UNAMIR IS SPREADING FALSE INFORMATION ON THE AIR. THE BOURGMESTRE SAW THE SECT CDR ON THIS MATTER ON 20 DEC 95 AT THE SECURITY MEETING ATTENDED BY MGEN KAGAME.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS


VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
	LEAVE/CTO	06
	PRESENT	16

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO SEE THE NEW TEAM OF MILOBS WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE NEW SECTOR 2. MEANWHILE, I WILL ATTEND LT-COL CHARLES KAYONGA'S WEDDING TOMORROW IN KIGALI.

  
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LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 21 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 201800 TO 211800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.  
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. TO FOLLOW UP ON WHAT WAS REPORTED YESTERDAY AS THE MOST INTERESTING PART OF THE MEETING ATTENDED BY KAGAME, IT WAS LEARNT TODAY THAT THREE OF THE SIX TEACHERS ARRESTED IN KIGOMA COMMUNE FOR HOLDING MEETINGS AT NIGHT WERE BEING FREED TODAY FROM TAMBWE CACHOT WHERE THREE OF THEM HAD BEEN TRANSFERRED. THE PROSECUTOR WAS SEEN AT THE CACHOT AND TOLD A HR OFFICER THAT HE WAS ON HIS WAY TO KIGOMA CACHOT TO FREE THE REMAINDER FOUR (IT WAS FOUND OUT THAT SEVEN TEACHERS HAD ACTUALLY BEEN ARRESTED). OBVIOUSLY, MGEN KAGAME'S RECOMMENDATIONS WERE FOLLOWED TO THE LETTER. THIS HQ WILL STILL FOLLOW THE CASE SINCE IT HAS NOW BEEN HEARD THAT ONE OF THE TEACHERS MAY NOW BE ACCUSED OF BEING A GENOCIDAIRE.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. IT WAS LEARNT YESTERDAY NIGHT THAT THE RPA HAS JUST RECEIVED TWO MONTH PAY (FEB AND MAR 95) AND THAT THEY WERE ABOUT TO BE PAID ANOTHER MONTH.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNES KIGOMA (7649) INCLUDING SECTORS NYAMAGANA (7453), REMERA (7143), MPANGA (6947) AND KAVUMU (7342). THE SITUATION IN ALL SECTORS WAS REPORTED CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 137 (108 - 28 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 133.

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(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE KAYENZI (8389) INCLUDING SECTORS BITARE (8383), MUGANZA (8586) AND KAYENZI (8190). THE SITUATION IN ALL SECTORS WAS REPORTED CALM. SOME VERY RELIABLE SOURCES SAID THAT BEATING OF PRISONERS BY THE RPA IS ONGOING AT THE COMMUNE CACHOT. THIS HQ WILL FOLLOW UP TO CONFIRM THESE ALLEGATIONS.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE NGO SALVATION ARMY TODAY DISTRIBUTED CHRISTMAS ITEMS INCLUDING BLANKETS, JERRYCANS, CUPS, BOWLS, OIL LAMPS, FOOTBALLS AND PLATES IN KAYENZI COMMUNE.

B. THE INDIAN ENGINEER SECTION CURRENTLY DIGGING HOLES AT THE GITARAMA PRISON HAS DUG 10' X 8' X 3' TODAY.

C. THERE IS AN OUTBREAK OF CATTLE DISEASE IN KIGOMA COMMUNE AND THIS HQ IS LIAISING WITH VETERINARY SERVICES AT THE PREFECTURE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. THIS HQ IS STILL WAITING FOR A REPLY ON THE REQUEST TO LEND A MOTOROLA TO MONSEIGNEUR SIBOMANA. THE SRSG HAD TAKEN A PERSONAL INTEREST IN THIS CASE AND THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED SO THAT THE BISHOP BE GIVEN AN ANSWER.

B. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED (THIS SUGGESTION HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOUR HQ IN OUR LAST EIGHT SITREPS).

C. THIS HQ IS STILL AWAITING FOR THE CASSETTES AND TRANSCRIPT OF RADIO UNAMIR PERTAINING TO ALLEGATIONS MADE BY THE KAYENZE BOURGMESTRE WHO SAYS THAT UNAMIR IS SPREADING FALSE INFORMATION ON THE AIR. THE BOURGMESTRE SAW THE SECT CDR ON THIS MATTER ON 20 DEC 95 AT THE SECURITY MEETING ATTENDED BY MGEN KAGAME.

D. TWO REFUGEES FROM ZAIRE RETURNED FROM ZAIRE TO KIGOMA COMMUNE ON 19 DEC 95.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

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8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
	LEAVE/CTO	06
	PRESENT	16

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. AN ICRC VEHICLE HAS OVERTURNED ONE KM FROM KABGAYI TOWARDS BUTARE TODAY AROUND 1600 HRS. NO INJURIES. RECOVERY REQUESTED FROM 95 CMSG FOR TOMORROW MORNING.

B. THE VISIT OF THE INDIAN AMBASSADOR SCHEDULED FOR TODAY AT 0910 HRS NEVER MATERIALIZED.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I HAVE PREPARED THE FRAME WORK OF AN "ESTIMATE OF THE SITUATION" THAT THIS HQ WILL PRODUCE SHORTLY IN PREPARATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEW SECTOR 2. REGROUPING OF SECTORS WILL HAPPEN FOR AT LEAST FOUR OF THE FIVE NEW SECTORS AND IF ANYBODY IS INTERESTED, I COULD FORWARD THIS DOCUMENT TO ANY POTENTIAL USER. MANY OF THE FACTORS TO ANALYZE ARE ACTUALLY COMMON TO THE NEW SECTORS.



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 20 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 191800 TO 201800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.  
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. THE SECT CDR ATTENDED A LONG MEETING AT THE CULTURAL CENTER TODAY. IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE CHAIRED BY THE PRIME MINISTER WHO SHOWED ON TIME AT 0845 HRS. HOWEVER, THE MEETING STARTED ONLY AT 1015 HRS WITH THE UNANNOUNCED ARRIVAL OF MGEN KAGAME. THE MEETING THEN WENT NON STOP UNTIL 1705 HRS WITH ALL DISCUSSION SOLELY IN KINYARWANDA. THE PREFET OPENED UP WITH A VERY COURAGEOUS SPEECH WHICH HIGHLY CRITICIZED:

- UNIFORMED BANDITRY
- PEOPLE WHO MAKE A BUSINESS OF ACCUSING OTHERS OF BEING GENOCIDAIRES FOR MONEY
- THE UNLAWFUL OCCUPATION OF HOUSES
- THE TENSE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE BOURGMESTRE, THE IPJ AND RPA AUTHORITIES IN SOME OF THE COMMUNES (NAMELY TABA, MURAMA AND MASANGO)
- MILITARY PERSONNEL STILL ARRESTING PEOPLE WITHOUT AN IPJ

THE MEETING CONTINUED WITH THE PRIME MINISTER WHO ASKED WHETHER ANYBODY HAD ANYTHING TO ADD TO THE LIST OF PROBLEMS REPORTED BY THE PREFET. OUTSTANDING POINTS WERE:

- THE "LISINDE CASE" (BYUMBA PREFET?) WAS COMMENTED ON BY KAGAME WHO SAID THAT THOSE LEAVING THE COUNTRY CANNOT HELP THE COUNTRY
- THE KAYENZI BOURGMESTRE SAID THAT HE HAD 80 FRGF INFILTRATORS IN HIS COMMUNE AND HE THEN HAD A HARD TIME FROM BOTH THE RPA BDE CDR AND THE PRIME MINISTER FOR NOT DOING ANYTHING ABOUT IT AND NOT HAVING REPORTED IT EARLIER
- THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE CONFIRMED THAT THE MOVE OF PRISONERS FROM GITARAMA TO KIGALI WAS STILL IN THE BOOKS BUT SHE EVADED GIVING ANY TIME LINES
- THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE SAID THAT HE WAS AWARE OF

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(MILOBS HAVE REPORTED THIS PROBLEM BEFORE, ESPECIALLY IN SOUTHERN COMMUNES)

- THE GITARAMA PRISON DIRECTOR RECTIFIED SOME NUMBERS GIVEN BY THE PREFET IN ANNOUNCING THAT THE GITARAMA "COMMISSION DE TRIAGE" HAD NOW FREED 11 PEOPLE AND HE CRITICIZED THE WORK OF HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICERS IN THE PRISON
- FATHER LEONARD (FROM TABA COMMUNE) ASKED FOR AN UPDATE ON THE INVESTIGATION OF THE KILLING OF FATHER PIE IN KAMONYI SECTOR. THE PROSECUTOR SAID THAT TWO MEN HAD BEEN ARRESTED BUT IT IS BELIEVED THAT HE WAS REFERRING TO THE TWO GUARDS WHO WERE AFRAID OF DESCRIBING THE LIKELY KILLERS
- THE HR TEAM LEADER IN GITARAMA HAD TO INTERVENE TO DEFEND HR OFFICERS' ACTION WHICH WERE CRITICIZED BY SOME OF THE SPEAKERS BUT HE WAS NOT ALLOWED TO COMPLETE HIS EXPLANATIONS BY THE PREFET WHO INTERRUPTED HIM ON THE BASIS THAT THIS WAS NOT THE PROPER FORUM FOR SUCH A DEBATE
- THE MOST INTERESTING PART OF THE MEETING WAS THE DISCUSSION CONCERNING THE ARREST OF SIX TEACHERS IN KIGOMA COMMUNE FOR HOLDING MEETINGS AT NIGHT. KAGAME PERSONALLY INTERVENED IN FAVOR OF THE TEACHERS AND IT WOULD NOT BE SURPRISING THAT THEY WILL SOON BE FREED

OVERALL THE MEETING WAS DEEMED PRODUCTIVE, ESPECIALLY THAT A LARGE RPA ATTENDANCE WAS THERE AND THEY ALL HEARD KAGAME SAYING THAT SOLDIERS HAD TO START BEHAVING. THE VICE-PRESIDENT SAID THAT HE WAS GOING TO HOLD THIS KIND OF MEETING IN ALL OF THE PREFECTURES.

B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA NTR.
- (2) FRGF. NTR.
- (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.

B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNES MUGINA (9267) AND MUSAMBIRA (8274) TOGETHER WITH HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICERS TO INVESTIGATE KILLINGS WHICH TOOK PLACE IN BIBUNGO SECTOR (8968) ON 12 DEC 95 (SEE PARA 3.B.(4) OF OUR SITREP DATED 18 DEC 95). IT WAS FOUND THAT ONLY ONE PERSON WAS KILLED IN KANWILILI CELLULE. TWO CIVILIANS AND ONE UNIFORMED MAN CARRIED OUT THE KILLING. THE MOTIVE IS UNKNOWN BUT BANDITRY IS HIGHLY SUSPECTED. THE IPJ IS

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INVESTIGATING.

(2) IN MUREHE CELLULE OF MBATI SECTOR (9467), ALSO IN MUGINA COMMUNE, A 28 YEAR OLD MAN WAS REPORTED SHOT AND KILLED BY APPROXIMATELY 10 ARMED RPA SOLDIERS AT APPROXIMATELY 0400 HRS ON 19 DEC 95. HE RETURNED TO THE COMMUNE FROM KIBUYE ON 13 DEC 95. HE WAS ACCUSED OF SUPPLYING WEAPONS TO THE INTERHAMWE DURING THE GENOCIDE. THE BOURGMESTRE AND THE IPJ VISITED THE SCENE OF THE KILLING AND ARE INVESTIGATING.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED MURAMA COMMUNE (6749) INCLUDING SECTORS RUNYANGANDO (6845), GACU (6942) AND NYABINYENGA (6544). THE GENERAL SITUATION IN THE COMMUNE WAS REPORTED CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 316 (340-28 NOV 95). GENOCIDE 276.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE NGO CRS IS WINDING UP ITS ACTIVITIES IN MURAMA COMMUNE BY DISTRIBUTING SEEDS, FERTILIZER AND GOATS TO THE LOCALS. THERE IS AN OUTBREAK OF CATTLE DISEASE IN THIS COMMUNE. MALARIA IS ALSO PREVALENT.

B. THE INDIAN ENGINEER SECTION CURRENTLY DIGGING HOLES AT THE GITARAMA PRISON HAS SO FAR DUG 22' X 6' X 3'.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. THIS HQ IS STILL WAITING FOR A REPLY ON THE REQUEST TO LEND A MOTOROLA TO MONSEIGNEUR SIBOMANA. THE SRSG HAD TAKEN A PERSONAL INTEREST IN THIS CASE AND THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED SO THAT THE BISHOP BE GIVEN AN ANSWER.

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6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

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7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
	LEAVE/CTO	06
	PRESENT	16

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. THE MILOB WHO WAS INVOLVED IN A BACKING UP TRAFFIC ACCIDENT WITH THE PRIME MINISTER'S WIFE'S VEHICLE AT THE GITARAMA PREFECTURE ON 11 DEC 95 MET WITH AN IPJ AT THE GITARAMA PARQUET TODAY.

B. THIS HQ HAS JUST LEARNT FROM INDBATT THAT IT WILL RECEIVE THE VISIT OF THE INDIAN AMBASSADOR TOMORROW AT 0910 HRS. THE LENGTH OF HIS STAY AND DETAILS ABOUT THE VISIT WERE NOT PROVIDED. ALL PATROLS WILL HAVE TO BE CANCELLED TOMORROW IF WE WANT TO HAVE VEHICLES TO FERRY HIM AND SIX ACCOMPANYING OFFICERS FROM THE HELIPAD.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. MGEN KAGAME CERTAINLY GAINED SOME POINTS WITH THE LOCAL POPULATION TODAY IN THIS PARTICULAR MEETING. HE APPEARED GENUINELY CONCERNED WITH THE BEHAVIOR OF RWANDANS WHO OFTEN MISBEHAVE BECAUSE OF GREED. IT WAS DIFFICULT TO GAIN A PRECISE UNDERSTANDING OF ALL DISCUSSIONS BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTIES WITH SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION". I WILL ATTEMPT TO HAVE A BETTER FEEL OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED TONIGHT SINCE I WILL HAVE DINNER TONIGHT WITH THE RPA BDE CDR AT THE HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICERS' HOUSE IN MUSHUBATI.



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 19 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 181800 TO 191800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
  - (1) RPA NTR.
  - (2) FRGF. NTR.
  - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ.

- (1) THE TOWING OF THE ITR VEHICLE AWAY FROM THIS LOCATION TOOK PLACE TODAY.
- (2) TOMORROW THE SECT CDR WILL ATTEND AN IMPORTANT SECURITY MEETING AT THE PREFECTURE WITH ALL PLAYERS, INCLUDING THE RPA BDE CDR AND THE LOCAL BATTALION CDR.

B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NTONGWE (9057) INCLUDING SECTORS GIKOMA (8153), KINAZI (8958), RUTABO (9455) AND GISALI (8860) THE LOCALS REPORTED THE SITUATION CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 467 (439-21 NOV 95). GENOCIDE 460. THE NGO CONCERN IS FEEDING THE PRISONERS EXCEPT ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS.
- (2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597) INCLUDING SECTORS KIRWA (6388), KAGONGWE (6490), KIBIMBA (6494) AND KIBANGU (6496). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM IN ALL SECTORS BY BOTH LOCALS AND RPA. CACHOT FIGURES 93 (84 - 11 DEC 95). GENOCIDE 58. 13 OF THESE WERE ARRESTED BY RPA FOR BEING MEMBERS OF THE FRGF. IPJ

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WAS NOT ALLOWED TO INTERVENE IN THE CASE OF THESE PRISONERS. ONE PRISONER DIED ON THE NIGHT OF 18 DEC 95 OF MALARIA AT GITEGA HOSPITAL.

(3) AN UNOFFICIAL TRANSIT CACHOT IN KIRIBA SECTOR WAS CONFIRMED BY THE TEAM. THREE PEOPLE WERE HELD THERE FOR EIGHT DAYS FROM 16 NOV 95. THE CACHOT NO LONGER HOLDS ANY PRISONERS.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. A BROKEN PIPELINE HAS CREATED WATER PROBLEMS IN RUTABO SECTOR OF NTONGWE COMMUNE. MILOBS WILL LIAISE WITH THE NGO LWF FOR POSSIBLE RECTIFICATION.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. THREE REFUGEES RETURNED TO NYAKABANDA SINCE 20 NOV 95. ONE WAS ARRESTED FOR GENOCIDE.

B. UNHCR HELD A MEETING WITH NGOS AT THIS SECTOR HQ TODAY TO COORDINATE PLANS FOR RECEIVING A MAXIMUM OF 500 RETURNEES DAILY IN GITARAMA PREFECTURE. A "WAITING AREA" WILL BE CREATED IN GITARAMA VILLE SHOULD THE FLOW OF REFUGEES WARRANT IT. THE NEW RUNDA TRANSIT CENTER IS EXPECTED TO HOLD UP TO 3000 REFUGEES. UNHCR IS TRYING TO FIND ANOTHER NGO TO REPLACE MSF FRANCE WHICH WAS TASKED WITH PROVIDING AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL TEAM.

C. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED (THIS SUGGESTION HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOUR HQ IN OUR LAST SIX SITREPS).

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
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8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	22
	LEAVE/CTO	06
	PRESENT	16

9. MISCELLANEOUS. THE MILOB WHO WAS INVOLVED IN A BACKING UP TRAFFIC ACCIDENT WITH THE PRIME MINISTER'S WIFE'S VEHICLE AT THE GITARAMA PREFECTURE ON 11 DEC 95 (AS REPORTED IN OUR SITREP OF THAT DAY) HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO MEET AN IPJ AT THE GITARAMA PARQUET TOMORROW AT 0800 HRS. UNAMIR MP HAS BEEN

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REQUESTED TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO WITNESS THE INTERVIEW.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THERE SEEMS TO BE AN INCREASE OF ARRESTS BY THE RPA IN THE CASE WHERE AN IPJ FEELS THREATENED IN HIS POSITION. I WILL APPROACH THE PARQUET TO SEE HOW WE COULD IMPROVE THIS WORRYING SITUATION. THIS HAS TRANSLATED INTO MORE "TRANSIT PRISONER CENTERS" WHERE THE MONITORING OF HUMAN RIGHTS IS NEXT TO IMPOSSIBLE.



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 18 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 171800 TO 181800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL.
- B. MILITARY
  - (1) RPA NTR.
  - (2) FRGF. NTR.
  - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. AN EMERGENCY TOWING TEAM WAS SENT TODAY FROM THIS HQ TO ASSIST AN OFFICER OF THE ITR WHO WAS STRANDED IN MUSHUBATI COMMUNE WITH A BROKEN DOWN VEHICLE.

- B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUKINGI (7161) INCLUDING SECTORS DUSEGO (6462), GITEGA (6964), KIMEGELI (6960), RUTAGARA (6559) AND KAMUSENYI (7061). THE LOCALS REPORTED THE SITUATION CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 120 (112-4 DEC 95). GENOCIDE 108. LOCALS CONTINUE COMPLAINING OF FOOD SHORTAGES AND THE NEED OF PESTICIDES (THIS IS BECOMING A VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM. WE WILL FURTHER INVESTIGATE WHETHER THE PROBLEM IS DISTRIBUTION OR AVAILABILITY).
- (2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED TABA COMMUNE (8883) INCLUDING SECTORS TABA (8883) AND KAMONYI (8979). THE SAME TEAM VISITED MUGINA (9367). SITUATION IN BOTH COMMUNES WAS REPORTED CALM. CACHOT FIGURES FOR TABA COMMUNE 259 (236- 6 DEC 95). GENOCIDE 229. PRISONERS COMPLAINED OF HUNGER.
- (3) THE RPA PLATOON SERGEANT AT THE CACHOT SAID THAT

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PROPORTION OF THE FORCE. TOO OFTEN IN THE PAST, PATROLS HAD TO BE CANCELLED BECAUSE OF VEHICLE SHORTAGES. THE REASON GIVEN NOT TO RECTIFY THE SITUATION WAS ALWAYS THE LACK OF VEHICLES THROUGHOUT THE MISSION. THIS FACTOR MAY NOT HAVE THE SAME WEIGHT ANYMORE AND YOUR HQ SHOULD ATTEMPT TO SECURE A "VEHICLE RESERVE" TO SUPPORT SECTORS WHEN "VOR" RATE AFFECT THE OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY OF SECTORS (AS DISCUSSED IN ONE OF THE SECTOR COMMANDERS' CONFERENCE). YOUR SUPPORT IS APPRECIATED.



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SOME PRISONERS ARE AFRAID TO BE POISONED BY THE LOCAL MEDICAL STAFF WORKING FOR MEMISA. MILOBS HAVE CONTACTED THE NGO AND WILL MONITOR THE ALLEGATIONS WHICH WILL BE FURTHER INVESTIGATED.

(4) LOCALS INFORMED THE TEAM THAT ARMED UNIFORMED PERSONNEL KILLED TWO MEN IN BIBUNGO SECTOR ON 12 DEC 95. THIS WILL BE VERIFIED BY A FOLLOW- UP PATROL WITH HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICERS.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. 50 BODY BAGS FOR REBURIAL PURPOSE WERE DELIVERED TO NTONGWE COMMUNE (9057) TODAY.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. TABA COMMUNE (LIKE TWO OTHER COMMUNES) IS STILL WITHOUT A SWORN IN BOURGMESTRE AND THE COUNSELLOR CURRENTLY HOLDING THE CHAIR IS DEEMED TO BE A "RPA SYMPATHIZER" WHOM THE POPULATION DO NOT TRUST.

B. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1313 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

C. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED (THIS SUGGESTION HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOUR HQ IN OUR LAST FIVE SITREPS).

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
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8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	06
	PRESENT	18

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. MY LOGISTIC OFFICER LEARNED TODAY THAT NO CHANGE TO THE VEHICLE SITUATION WOULD HAPPEN IN THE MILOB SECTORS. I HOPE THAT UNAMIR HQ, PROMPTED BY MILOB HQ, WILL SEIZE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE A SOUND REDISTRIBUTION OF VEHICLES WITH THE DEPARTURE OF A LARGE

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 17 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 161800 TO 171800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA NTR.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. DUE TO MILOBS ATTENDING APPROVED NATIONAL GATHERINGS IN KIGALI, ONLY ONE TEAM WAS SENT FOR PATROL.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYAMABUYE (7570) INCLUDING SECTORS GATONZI (7374), TAKWE (7575), KIVUMU (7873), AND MUNYINYA (7770). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM BY COUNCILLORS, RPA AND LOCALS. CACHOT FIGURES 242(239-7 DEC-95).

(2) IN GATEZI SECTOR, ONE PERSON WAS ARRESTED ON 14 DEC 95 BY RPA FOR GENOCIDE. THE COUNCILLOR CONSIDERS THE ARREST AS ARBITRARY. THE TEAM WAS ALSO ADVISED THAT ONE PERSON WAS ARRESTED IN MARCH 95 AND HIS HOUSE CONFISCATED BY RPA. THE WIFE OF THE JAILED MAN IS TRYING TO REPOSSESS THE HOUSE BEING OCCUPIED BY RPA SOLDIERS BUT IN VAIN. A TOTAL OF 18 RETURNEES WERE

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REPORTED TO HAVE SETTLED IN THE SECTOR SINCE THE END OF NOV 95.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1313 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

B. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE UP, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95. INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS. AS EXPRESSED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, THIS SECTOR CANNOT FUNCTION PROPERLY ON THREE VEHICLES. A REPLACEMENT VEHICLE IS REQUESTED SO THAT PATROLS DO NOT HAVE TO BE CANCELLED. YOUR EFFORT AND FEEDBACK ARE APPRECIATED.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	04
	SERVICEABLE	03

8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	06
	PRESENT	18

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. THE SECT CDR ON HIS WAY TO KIGALI ASSISTED IN EVACUATING TO KIGALI HOSPITAL FOUR CIVILIANS WHO WERE INJURED IN A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT. BOTH VEHS INVOLVED WERE CIVILIAN.

B. IT WAS LEARNT ON RADIO RWANDA FOUR DAYS AGO THAT THE LIST OF GENOCIDAIRES TO BE TRIED BY THE INTERNATIONAL



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TRIBUNAL OF JUSTICE FOR RWANDA WAS TO BE REVEALED TODAY.  
THIS SECTOR WOULD APPRECIATE OBTAINING THIS LIST AS SOON AS  
POSSIBLE.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THIS NEW TRANSIT CAMP IN  
RUNDA IS GOING TO REPRESENT A MAJOR INCREASE IN RESPONSIBILITY  
IN THIS SECTOR. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT INDBATT INCLUDES  
IT IN ITS PATROL PLANNING ONCE IT IS OPERATIONAL.

  
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LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 16 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 151800 TO 161800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
  - (1) RPA. NTR.
  - (2) FRGF. NTR.
  - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
- B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE RUTOBWE (7781) INCLUDING SECTORS CYEZA (7777) AND NTONDE (7981). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 106 (111-8 DEC 95). GENOCIDE 85.

(2) THE TEAM ATTENDED THE REBURIAL CEREMONY IN NTONDE SECTOR. SIMILAR CEREMONIES WERE HELD IN SHYANDA (7680) AND GIKO (7883) SECTORS WITH THE BOURGMESTRE IN ATTENDANCE. IN ALL, 200 VICTIMS WERE REBURIED.

(3) THE SAME TEAM VISITED MUGINA COMMUNE (9267), MET THE BOURGMESTRE AND THE RPA PLATOON CDR WHO SAID THE SITUATION WAS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 332 (341-12 DEC 95) GENOCIDE 313. THERE WAS A 16 YEAR OLD GIRL WHO WAS ARRESTED FOR LYING WHEN STATING THAT SHE WAS AN ORPHAN TO AVOID PAYING SCHOOL FEES. THE TEAM LEARNT THAT SHE WAS TO BE FREED TODAY.

(4) THE RPA PLATOON CDR AND THE BOURGMESTRE BOTH SHOWED AN INCREASE LEVEL OF COOPERATION AND THEY APPEARED TO BE

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MORE SENSITIVE TO THE PLIGHT OF PRISONERS. THIS COULD BE DUE TO MILOBS WHO ATTENDED THE BOURGMESTRE'S WEDDING LAST WEEK. 185

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. TWO TRUCKS CAME FROM INDBATT TODAY FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF ORPHANS AND MATERIAL FROM CYEZA ORPHANAGE TO KAMONYI (8979), THEIR NEW LOCATION NOW THAT THE NGO PREVIOUSLY IN CHARGE HAS BEEN EXPELLED OF THE COUNTRY. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS SECTOR WAS NEVER ADVISED THAT THE ICRC HAD ALREADY TAKEN THE TASK YESTERDAY. TRUCKS HAD TO BE SENT BACK TO KIGALI WITHOUT HAVING COMPLETED THE TASK. THIS SECTOR APOLOGIZES FOR THIS TURN OF EVENTS COMPLETELY OUTSIDE OF ITS CONTROL.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1295 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

B. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES STATISTICS. THEY SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 (THE FIRST DAY OF UNSCR 1029 MANDATE), INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95 WHICH WAS USED IN REACTION TO THE FORCED REPATRIATION PROGRAM LAUNCHED BY ZAIRE. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS. WE HAVE RECEIVED ONE VEHICLE BACK FROM THE WORKSHOP TODAY. OUR SITUATION IS STILL CRITICAL WITH FOUR VEHICLES. A REPLACEMENT VEHICLE IS REQUESTED SO THAT PATROLS DO NOT HAVE TO BE CANCELLED. YOUR EFFORT AND FEEDBACK ARE APPRECIATED.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	23
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	18

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. AS DISCUSSED AT THE CMO'S MEETING ON 15 DEC 95, NO CHANGES HAVE HAPPENED YET IN THE SECTOR SINCE WE ALL AWAIT UNNY'S APPROVAL FOR THE PROPOSED REORGANIZATION PLAN. IT APPEARS, HOWEVER, THAT THE WORKING

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RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN UNAMIR FORMED TROOPS AND MILOBS WILL NEED SPECIAL ATTENTION. IT WAS HINTED AT THE MEETING THAT FORMED TROOPS WOULD BE GARRISONED TO ONLY THREE LOCATIONS, GITARAMA AND KIBUYE NOT BEING ON THAT SHORT LIST. WITH THE PREVIOUS MILOB SUB-SECTOR SYSTEM, FORMED TROOPS WERE NOT DEPLOYED TO ALL SUB-SECTORS BUT AT LEAST FORMED TROOPS WERE RESPONSIBLE TO COVER THE WHOLE COUNTRY. THE NEW SECTOR 2 (THE NEW SECTOR 3 MAY FIND ITSELF IN THE SAME SITUATION) SHOULD BE "COVERED" BY ARMED TROOPS. ONE WILL NOTE THAT THE SECT CDR WILL FIND HIMSELF AS PART OF TWO CHAINS OF COMMAND, OR MAYBE CHAIN OF RESPONSIBILITY. IN ADDITION TO MILOB DUTIES, HE WOULD HAVE TO ANSWER TO THE FC IN THE SENSE THAT HE WOULD BE THE ONLY ONE QUALIFIED TO BRIEF HIM ON THE SITUATION IN A SIZABLE CHUNK OF TERRAIN. IN THIS PERSPECTIVE, I WISH TO RENEW MY WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION THAT SOME ARMED ELEMENTS, EVEN A SECTION WOULD DO, SHOULD BE IN POSITION AT THE GITARAMA HQ. ON THE COMMUNICATION SIDE, IT WOULD MAKE SENSE TO HAVE A COMMUNICATION TEAM FROM INDSIGS THAT COULD LINK THE NEW SECTOR WITH UNAMIR HQ. I REALIZE THAT YOUR HQ IS VERY MUCH SEIZED OF THESE PROBLEMS AND HOPE THAT THESE INSIGHTS ARE OF SOME USE.



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COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 15 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 141800 TO 151800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
  - (1) RPA NTR.
  - (2) FRGF. NTR.
  - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECTOR CDR IS BACK FROM KIGALI AFTER ATTENDING THE FC'S FAREWELL ACTIVITIES.
- B. TEAMS. TODAY, NO VEHICLE PATROL WAS SENT BECAUSE OF LACK OF VEHICLES. AS REQUESTED IN OUR PREVIOUS SITREPS, THIS SECTOR CANNOT FUNCTION WITH THREE VEHICLES. YOUR URGENT ATTENTION TO THIS SERIOUS PROBLEM IS REQUESTED. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT VEHICLES FROM CIVPOL ARE BEING RETURNED. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THIS SECTOR BE CONSIDERED IN PRIORITY FOR REDISTRIBUTION.

- (1) ONE FOOT PATROL WENT TO COMMUNE NYAMABUYE (7570) INCLUDING SECTORS GIHUMA (7067) AND SHYOGWE (7466). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM.
- (2) IN SHYOGWE SECTOR, THE COUNSELOR INFORMED THE TEAM THAT THE SECTOR WAS CONSIDERING ESTABLISHING LDFs BECAUSE OF INCREASED BANDITRY ACTIVITIES. RPA WERE SAID NOT TO BE PATROLLING AT NIGHT.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. BODY BAGS AND PLASTIC SHEETS FOR REBURIAL PURPOSES WERE DELIVERED TO RUTOBWE COMMUNE (7781).

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5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1295 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

B. WITH THE NEW MANDATE NOW IN PLACE UP, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF 13 DEC 95 INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	04
	SERVICEABLE	03

8. MILOB STATE

MILOB STRENGTH:	POSTED	23
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	18

9. MISCELLANEOUS. AS REPORTED IN OUR YESTERDAY'S SITREP, A COMPLETE SEPARATE REPORT WAS SENT TO HR HQ TODAY.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. MILOBS IN GITARAMA WERE THRILLED TODAY WHEN THEY HEARD THAT THEIR HQ WILL REMAIN IN PLACE AND THAT THEIR NEW AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY WILL EXTEND TO KIBUYE. MORE THAN EVER, WE WILL NEED GOOD VEHICLES TO COVER THE ROUGH KIBUYE ROADS AND, IN THAT RESPECT, OUR VEHICLE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM WILL BE BOOSTED. MEANWHILE, WE DESPERATELY NEED THREE MORE VEHICLES.



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COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 14 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 131800 TO 141800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. THE SECT CDR ATTENDED THE "RICE CULTURE OPENING CEREMONY IN MUGINA COMMUNE (9267) THAT WAS PRESIDED OVER BY THE PRIME MINISTER. THE CEREMONY WAS ATTENDED BY ALL BOURGMESTRES OF THE PREFECTURE. IT WAS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS VARIOUS ISSUES WITH BOTH MILITARY AND CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA

(A) THE RPA TOGETHER WITH THE IPJ HAVE IMPOUNDED THE TWO VEHS INVOLVED IN AN ACCIDENT FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS. SEE PARAGRAPH 3 A.BELOW.

(B) THE RPA IS STILL TRYING TO ARREST THE KNOWN LOCAL THIEF, CALLED KAMANZI (FROM NYAMABUYE COMMUNE, SECTOR SYHOGWE, CELLULE MBARE), WHO CAME TO THIS HQ AROUND 1700 HRS ON 9 DEC 95 AND IMPERSONATED AN RPA SOLDIER LOOKING FOR UNIFORMS. THIS MAN WAS THE RING LEADER ONCE ARRESTED FOR ORCHESTRATING BREAK-INS INTO THIS HQ. HE IS ALSO THE ONE WHO WAS ONCE HEARD SAYING THAT HE WOULD COME TO THIS HQ WITH "ARMED RPA FRIENDS" AND THAT HE WOULD ROB EVERYTHING THERE IS TO ROB.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THIS HQ ASSISTED AND CO-ORDINATED THE

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EVACUATION OF INJURED PERSONS AS A RESULT OF THE HEAD ON COLLISION THAT INVOLVED THE HR VEH UNAMIR-1948-HR (DRIVER AND ONLY PASSENGER THIerno GUEYE/SENEGAL UNID# UNA-434) FROM BUTARE. THE DRIVER OF THE CIV VEH RR47.85.A MR PAUL MUNYANKINDI WAS PRONOUNCED DEAD ON ARRIVAL AT KABGAYI HOSPITAL. TWO OTHER PASSENGERS, DAMIEN NYABYENDA AND JEAN-PAUL KUBWIMANA, WHO WERE ON THE CIV VEH WERE ALSO EVACUATED TO KABGAYI HOSPITAL BY THIS HQ.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUSHUBATI (6970) INCLUDING SECTORS MATA (7175), KAGARAMA (7178), MUHANGA (6775), GIKOMERO (6272) AND GATIKABISI (6672). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM EXCEPT FOR CATLE RUSTTLING IN MATA SECTOR.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM WAS ASSIGNED TO PROVIDE TRANSPORT TO THE GITARAMA STATISTICS OFFICER TO MASANGO (6254) AND MURAMA (6749) COMMUNES. THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.

100 BLANKETS WERE GIVEN TO THE SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEART OF ST-ANNE FOR ORPHANS AT THAT CENTRE IN RUNDA COMMUNE (9267).

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1295 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

B. WITH THE NEW MANDATE COMING UP, IT IS BELIEVED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF TOMORROW INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES.

7. LOGISTICS. AS EXPRESSED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, THIS SECTOR CANNOT FUNCTION PROPERLY ON THREE VEHICLES. A REPLACEMENT VEHICLE IS REQUESTED SO THAT PATROLS DO NOT HAVE TO BE CANCELLED. YOUR EFFORT AND FEEDBACK ARE APPRECIATED.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	04
	SERVICEABLE	03

8. MILOB STATE



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A. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST FIVE SITREPS (PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARTY IS IN FOUR DAYS), SOME EXPLANATIONS ARE REQUESTED CONCERNING THE PARTY ORGANIZED BY UNAMIR WELFARE COMMITTEE AT TRAFIPRO. THIS HQ ASSUMES THAT THE INFORMATION LETTER DATED 7 DEC 95 CONCERNING DIFFERENT ENTRANCE FEES (\$10 VICE \$5 FOR THOSE RECEIVING MSA) IS A JOKE AS PART OF THE JOVIAL TONE OF THE WHOLE DOCUMENT. IF MSA IS PAID TO SOME MEMBERS, IT IS BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO FACE EXPENSES THAT OTHER PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE TO FACE. IT IS UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER, THAT PERSONNEL ON RATION IN TRAFIPRO COULD BE ASKED TO PAY A LESSER AMOUNT IF A MEAL IS BEING SERVED. AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, CREATING TWO PRICES FOR A SAME SERVICE PROVIDED CANNOT BE TOLERATED NOR CAN IT BE DEFENDED ON ANY KNOWN PRINCIPLE OF FAIRNESS. YOUR HQ IS KINDLY REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE THE MATTER.

B. MILOB STRENGTH:


POSTED	24
LEAVE/CTO	06
PRESENT	18

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. YOUR TELEPHONE REPLY TO THE PROBLEM EXPERIENCED WITH RADIO UNAMIR WAS APPRECIATED. THIS HQ AWAITS THE TRANSMISSION OF TRANSCRIPT AND CASSETTE OF THE PROGRAM THAT REPORTED ON THE KAYENZI CACHOT ABOUT ONE WEEK AGO.

B. IT WAS LEARNT ON RADIO RWANDA YESTERDAY THAT THE LIST OF GENOCIDAIRES TO BE TRIED BY THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL OF JUSTICE FOR RWANDA WAS TO BE REVEALED TODAY. THIS SECTOR WOULD APPRECIATE OBTAINING THIS LIST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THIS NEW TRANSIT CAMP IN RUNDA IS GOING TO REPRESENT A MAJOR INCREASE IN RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS SECTOR. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT INDBATT INCLUDES IT IN ITS PATROL PLANNING ONCE IT IS OPERATIONAL.

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R. V. BLANCHETTE  
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 12 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 111800 TO 121800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.  
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. THE SECT CDR HAS BEEN INVITED TO A "RICE CULTURE OPENING CEREMONY IN MUGINA COMMUNE (9267) THAT WILL BE PRESIDED BY THE PRIME MINISTER.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA

(A) THE SECT CDR MET THE GITARAMA PRISON DIRECTOR TODAY WITH VISITORS FROM 95 CMSG. THE SUBJECT OF "TWO PRISONS IN ONE" WAS DISCUSSED AND IT WAS CLEAR THAT THE DIRECTOR DID NOT WANT TO SAY WHY THE COMMUNICATING DOORS ARE NOT OPEN. THIS IS CREATING A LOT OF TENSION IN THE PRISON SINCE THERE ARE DOUBTS AND RUMORS CONCERNING WHAT THE SECURITY AUTHORITIES, READ RPA, WANT TO DO WITH THE PRISONERS WHO WERE TRANSFERRED TO THE NEW AREA. THE SECT CDR CONTACTED THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER AND WAS ADVISED THAT THE DOORS WOULD BE OPEN NEXT WEEK BUT THAT IT WOULD HAPPEN IN THE FRAMEWORK OF A MASSIVE SEARCH OF THE OLD SIDE OF THE PRISON. THIS COULD EXPLAIN WHY THE PRISON DIRECTOR WAS SO RELUCTANT TO SPEAK ABOUT THE UPCOMING "SECRET" OPERATION. SOME PRISONERS ALSO ASKED FOR REFERENCE DOCUMENTS TO PREPARE THEIR DEFENCE.

(B) THE RPA IS STILL TRYING TO ARREST THE KNOWN LOCAL THIEF, CALLED KAMANZI (FROM NYAMABUYE COMMUNE, SECTOR SYHOGWE, CELLULE MBARE), WHO CAME TO THIS HQ AROUND 1700 HRS ON 9 DEC 95 AND IMPERSONATED AN RPA SOLDIER LOOKING FOR UNIFORMS. THIS MAN WAS THE RING LEADER ONCE ARRESTED FOR ORCHESTRATING BREAK-INS INTO THIS HQ. HE IS ALSO THE ONE WHO WAS ONCE HEARD SAYING THAT HE WOULD COME TO THIS HQ WITH "ARMED RPA FRIENDS" AND THAT HE WOULD ROB EVERYTHING THERE IS TO ROB.

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(C) THE SECT CDR HAS BEEN INVITED TO LT-COL CHARLES KAYONGA'S WEDDING ON 23 DEC 95 IN KIGALI.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE LIAISON OFFICER OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY PRESENCE IN RWANDA VISITED THIS HQ TODAY AND WAS BRIEFED BY THE SECT CDR.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MASANGO (6254) INCLUDING SECTORS MUNANIRA (5557) AND RWOGA (5756). THIS WAS A PATROL THAT ALSO AIMED AT TRANSPORTING THE CENSUS COORDINATOR TO THE COMMUNE OFFICE. THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 279 (279-8 DEC 95) GENOCIDE 250.

(2) THE MASANGO RPA PLATOON CDR EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN ABOUT UNAMIR'S DEPARTURE. HE FEARED THAT HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT WOULD STOP.

(3) LOCALS REPORTED BANDITRY ACTIVITIES IN CATTLE RUSTLING.

(4) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO MUGINA (9267) COMMUNE INCLUDING SECTORS MBATI (9467), NGOMA (9373), RUGALIKA (9574), KIGESE (9677) AND RUYENZI (9783). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM BY BOTH THE RPA AND LOCALS. CACHOT FIGURES 341 (341-9 DEC 95) GENOCIDE 323. THE IPJ EXPLAINED THAT THE INCREASE OF ARRESTS IS THE RESULT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE BEING FORCED BY LAW TO RETURN AND REGISTER IN THEIR ORIGINAL PREFECTURES OR COMMUNES. ON ARRIVAL OF SUCH PEOPLE A SCREENING EXERCISE IS CONDUCTED AND HAS LED TO NUMEROUS ARRESTS. THE PRISONER FEEDING PROGRAM ORGANIZED BY CONCERN HAS STARTED IN THIS COMMUNE.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. 100 BLANKETS WERE GIVEN TO THE SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEART OF ST-ANNE FOR ORPHANS AT THAT CENTRE IN RUNDA COMMUNE (9267).

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

A. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1295 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

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B. WITH THE NEW MANDATE COMING UP, IT IS BELIEVED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO CONSIDER A NEW BENCHMARK FOR RETURNEES RETURN. STATISTICS SHOULD START AS OF TOMORROW INSTEAD OF 26 AUG 95 (IF THERE IS A NEW MANDATE, OF COURSE).

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. IN DISCUSSION WITH THE UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE IN GITARAMA TODAY, IT WAS LEARNT THAT THERE IS NOW A NEW TRANSIT CAMP IN RUNDA COMMUNE. THIS TRANSIT CAMP WILL HAVE SIMILAR FUNCTIONS AS NDERA CAMP. IT IS LOCATED AT GRID (9783) AND COVERS ROUGHLY THE SIZE OF A FOOTBALL FIELD AND SHOULD BE OPERATIONAL WITHIN ONE MONTH. ITS CAPACITY SHOULD BE 2000 TO 3000 RETURNEES.

7. LOGISTICS. AS EXPRESSED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, THIS SECTOR CANNOT FUNCTION PROPERLY ON FOUR VEHICLES. A REPLACEMENT VEHICLE IS REQUESTED SO THAT PATROLS DO NOT HAVE TO BE CANCELLED. YOUR EFFORT AND FEEDBACK ARE APPRECIATED.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE

A. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST FOUR SITREPS (PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARTY IS IN FOUR DAYS), SOME EXPLANATIONS ARE REQUESTED CONCERNING THE PARTY ORGANIZED BY UNAMIR WELFARE COMMITTEE AT TRAFIPRO. THIS HQ ASSUMES THAT THE INFORMATION LETTER DATED 7 DEC 95 CONCERNING DIFFERENT ENTRANCE FEES (\$10 VICE \$5 FOR THOSE RECEIVING MSA) IS A JOKE AS PART OF THE JOVIAL TONE OF THE WHOLE DOCUMENT. IF MSA IS PAID TO SOME MEMBERS, IT IS BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO FACE EXPENSES THAT OTHER PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE TO FACE. IT IS UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER, THAT PERSONNEL ON RATION IN TRAFIPRO COULD BE ASKED TO PAY A LESSER AMOUNT IF A MEAL IS BEING SERVED. AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, CREATING TWO PRICES FOR A SAME SERVICE PROVIDED CANNOT BE TOLERATED NOR CAN IT BE DEFENDED ON ANY KNOWN PRINCIPLE OF FAIRNESS. YOUR HQ IS KINDLY REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE THE MATTER.

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	LEAVE/CTO	06
	PRESENT	18

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. YOUR TELEPHONE REPLY TO THE PROBLEM EXPERIENCED WITH RADIO UNAMIR WAS APPRECIATED. THIS HQ AWAITS THE TRANSMISSION OF TRANSCRIPT AND CASSETTE OF THE PROGRAM THAT REPORTED ON THE KAYENZI CACHOT ABOUT ONE WEEK AGO.

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B. IT WAS LEARNT ON RADIO RWANDA TODAY THAT THE LIST OF GENOCIDAIRES TO BE TRIED BY THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL OF JUSTICE FOR RWANDA WAS TO BE REVEALED TODAY. THIS SECTOR WOULD APPRECIATE OBTAINING THIS LIST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THIS NEW TRANSIT CAMP IN RUNDA IS GOING TO REPRESENT A MAJOR INCREASE IN RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS SECTOR. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT INDBATT INCLUDES IT IN ITS PATROL PLANNING ONCE IT IS OPERATIONAL. MEANWHILE WE ARE WAITING FOR SOME GOOD NEWS FROM THE BBC (OR FROM YOUR HQ) TOMORROW MORNING, BEFORE SENDING ANY PATROL OUT.



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LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 11 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 101800 TO 111800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.  
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. THE SECT CDR MET THE GITARAMA PRISON DIRECTOR TODAY (SEE PARA 10.). THE LATTER SAID THAT HE WAS NOT AWARE THAT MSF FRANCE WAS OUSTED OUT OF RWANDA WHEN HE MADE THE DECISION NOT TO ALLOW THEM TO VISIT THE PRISON ON 6 DEC 95. HE WAS CLEARER IN HIS RATIONALE EXPLANATION WHEN HE SAID THAT MSF FRANCE HAD A REPUTATION FOR EXAGGERATING NEGATIVE ASPECTS OF THE SITUATION IN RWANDA.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE RPA IS NOW TRYING TO ARREST THE KNOWN LOCAL THIEF, CALLED KAMANZI (FROM NYAMABUYE COMMUNE, SECTOR SYHOGWE, CELLULE MBARE), WHO CAME TO THIS HQ AROUND 1700 HRS ON 9 DEC 95 AND IMPERSONATED AN RPA SOLDIER LOOKING FOR UNIFORMS. THIS MAN WAS THE RING LEADER ONCE ARRESTED FOR ORCHESTRATING BREAK-INS INTO THIS HQ. HE IS ALSO THE ONE WHO WAS ONCE HEARD SAYING THAT HE WOULD COME TO THIS HQ WITH "ARMED RPA FRIENDS" AND THAT HE WOULD ROB EVERYTHING THERE IS TO ROB.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. ALL MILOBS WERE INVITED TO LUNCH TO A LOCAL RESTAURANT TODAY TO WISH FAREWELL TO THE TWO BANGLADESHI MILOBS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYAKABANDA (6597) INCLUDING SECTORS KIRWA (6388), KAGOGWE (6490), KIBIMBA 6494 AND KIBANGO (6496). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM ALTHOUGH AN INCREASE IN BANDITRY ACTIVITIES WAS

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REPORTED. THE BANDITRY IS BEING CARRIED OUT BY YOUNGSTERS WHO ARE AFTER FRW FOR THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD. CACHOT FIGURES 84 (70-13 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 50 AND 34 COMMON CRIME.

(2) THE IPJ IS REPORTED TO HAVE VOICED HIS WORRY ABOUT THE DEPARTURE OF UNAMIR AT THE END OF THE THREE MONTHS RENEWED MANDATE (WHICH WAS CONFIRMED AS FAR AS HE WAS CONCERNED).

(3) THE SECOND TEAM WAS TASKED WITH PROVIDING TRANSPORT TO THE CENSUS OFFICIAL OF THE GITARAMA PREFECTURE. UNFORTUNATELY, THE VEHICLE WAS INVOLVED IN A MINOR BACKING UP ACCIDENT AT THE PREFECTURE. WHAT IS EVEN MORE UNFORTUNATE WAS THAT THE OTHER VEHICLE BELONGED TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S WIFE WHO WAS VISITING THE GITARAMA PREFET.

(4) THE TEAM WENT TO MUKINGI COMMUNE (7160). THIS TASK WILL BE ONGOING FOR ANOTHER THREE DAYS.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. 100 BLANKETS WERE DISTRIBUTED TO THE ORPHANS STUDYING AT THE KABGAYI PETIT SEMINAIRE.

B. METAL SHEETINGS FROM THE OLD MALI KITCHEN WERE DONATED TO KABGAYI AUTHORITIES FOR POOR FAMILIES HOUSING IMPROVEMENT.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1295 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS. AS EXPRESSED YESTERDAY, THIS SECTOR CANNOT FUNCTION PROPERLY ON FOUR VEHICLES. A REPLACEMENT VEHICLE IS REQUESTED SO THAT PATROLS DO NOT HAVE TO BE CANCELLED.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE

A. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST THREE SITREPS, SOME EXPLANATIONS ARE REQUESTED CONCERNING THE PARTY ORGANIZED BY UNAMIR WELFARE COMMITTEE AT TRAFIPRO. THIS HQ ASSUMES THAT THE INFORMATION LETTER DATED 7 DEC 95 CONCERNING DIFFERENT ENTRANCE FEES (\$10 VICE \$5 FOR THOSE RECEIVING MSA) IS A JOKE AS PART OF THE JOVIAL TONE OF THE WHOLE

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DOCUMENT. IF MSA IS PAID TO SOME MEMBERS, IT IS BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO FACE EXPENSES THAT OTHER PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE TO FACE. IT IS UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER, THAT PERSONNEL ON RATION IN TRAFIPRO COULD BE ASKED TO PAY A LESSER AMOUNT IF A MEAL IS BEING SERVED. AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, CREATING TWO PRICES FOR A SAME SERVICE PROVIDED CANNOT BE TOLERATED NOR CAN IT BE DEFENDED ON ANY KNOWN PRINCIPLE OF FAIRNESS. YOUR HQ IS KINDLY REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE THE MATTER.

B. MILOB STRENGTH:

POSTED	24
LEAVE/CTO	04
PRESENT	20

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. YOUR TELEPHONE REPLY ON THE POLICY REGARDING "FUEL SUPPORT" TO THE PARQUET HAS BEEN APPRECIATED. THE PREFECTURE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR WILL BE EXPLAINED THAT NO FUEL IS PROVIDED TO OTHER PUBLIC PROSECUTORS AND THAT THE SAME RULE WILL APPLY IN GITARAMA. THIS COULD HAVE BEEN A VERY GOOD WAY TO HELP THE JUSTICE SYSTEM BUT YOUR POSITION, GIVEN THE UN FINANCIAL SITUATION, IS UNDERSTOOD AND WILL BE ENFORCED.

B. YOUR TELEPHONE REPLY TO THE PROBLEM EXPERIENCED WITH RADIO UNAMIR WAS APPRECIATED. THIS HQ AWAITS THE TRANSMISSION OF TRANSCRIPT AND CASSETTE OF THE PROGRAM THAT REPORTED ON THE KAYENZI CACHOT ABOUT ONE WEEK AGO.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I AM GETTING CONFUSED AS TO WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH THE PLANNING OF PRISONERS TRANSFER FROM THE GITARAMA PRISON TO OTHER DETENTION FACILITIES IN KIGALI. I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT YOUR HQ ENQUIRE ABOUT THE NATIONAL PLAN BECAUSE I HAVE FAILED TO OBTAIN MEANINGFUL EXPLANATION FROM THE PRISON DIRECTOR. ON MY SIDE, I WILL CONTINUE PRODDING THE SYSTEM ON THE JUDICIARY SIDE, NAMELY WITH THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE. NB: PLEASE NOTE PARA 7. (WE NEED YOUR HELP!).



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 10 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 091800 TO 101800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
  - (1) RPA. NTR.
  - (2) FRGF. NTR.
  - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR WAS IN KIGALI FOR HIS USUAL SIX HOUR VISIT TODAY.

- B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE RUNDA (9383) INCLUDING SECTORS GIHIRA (9686), RUYENZI (9783), SHELI (9379) KIGESE (9677), RUGALIKA (9574) AND KINYAMI (9177). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM. MOST LOCALS MET CONGRATULATED UNAMIR FOR BEING AWARDED A THREE MONTH EXTENSION. THE PATROL WAS INFORMED THAT CONCERN IS CONSTRUCTING A TEMPORARY RETURNEE CAMP IN RUYENZI SECTOR. NOTHING WAS KNOWN ABOUT THIS PROJECT AND THE UNHCR REP IN GITARAMA WILL BE QUERIED ON THE MATTER.

(2) IN GIHARA SECTOR, DRUNKEN MEN ASKED THE TEAM WHAT UNAMIR WAS STILL DOING IN RWANDA AFTER THE EXPIRY OF THE MANDATE.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO MUKINGI COMMUNE (7160) INCLUDING SECTORS KAMIGELI (9660) DUSEGO (6462) AND RUTAGARA (6559). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED BY LOCALS AS CALM.

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(4) IN KIMEGELI SECTOR, IT WAS LEARNT THAT THE COUNSELLOR WAS ARRESTED LAST WEEK FOR BEATING TO DEATH A SUSPECTED THIEF.

(5) IN RUTAGARA SECTOR, THE COUNSELLOR CONFIRMED THE EXISTENCE OF A ROOM AT THE RPA QUARTERS AS A TEMPORARY PRISON FOR OFFENDERS FOR ONWARD TRANSFER TO THE COMMUNE CACHOT. AT THE TIME OF THE VISIT THERE WERE NO PRISONERS IN THE ROOM.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1295 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS. ONE VEHICLE OVERTURNED TODAY AND THE SITUATION WITH VEHICLE IS GETTING CRITICAL AND YOUR INFLUENCE IN OBTAINING SUPPORT FROM THE WORK SHOP WOULD BE APPRECIATED:

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	03
	SERVICEABLE	04

8. MILOB STATE

A. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, SOME EXPLANATIONS ARE REQUESTED CONCERNING THE PARTY ORGANIZED BY UNAMIR WELFARE COMMITTEE AT TRAFIPRO. THIS HQ ASSUMES THAT THE INFORMATION LETTER DATED 7 AUG 95 CONCERNING DIFFERENT ENTRANCE FEES (\$10 VICE \$5 FOR THOSE RECEIVING MSA) IS A JOKE AS PART OF THE JOVIAL TONE OF THE WHOLE DOCUMENT. IF MSA IS PAID TO SOME MEMBERS, IT IS BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO FACE EXPENSES THAT OTHER PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE TO FACE. IT IS UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER, THAT PERSONNEL ON RATION IN TRAFIPRO COULD BE ASKED TO PAY A LESSER AMOUNT IF A MEAL IS BEING SERVED. AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, CREATING TWO PRICES FOR A SAME SERVICE PROVIDED CANNOT BE TOLERATED NOR CAN IT BE DEFENDED ON ANY KNOWN PRINCIPLE OF FAIRNESS. YOUR HQ IS KINDLY REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE THE MATTER.

B. MILOB STRENGTH:

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9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST FOUR SITREPS, THE POLICY REGARDING "FUEL SUPPORT" TO THE PARQUET NEEDS

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CLARIFICATION. IT APPEARS THAT THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE IS NOT PROVIDING ANY FUEL TO THE PREFECTURE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR. IT IS CLAIMED THAT IN OTHER SECTORS, PUBLIC PROSECUTORS ARE ALLOWED TO DRAW SOME UNAMIR FUEL FOR THEM TO PERFORM THEIR FUNCTION. THIS WOULD BE A VERY GOOD WAY TO HELP THE JUSTICE SYSTEM AS LONG AS THE SYSTEM IS NOT ABUSED AND THAT THERE IS POSITIVE CONTROL OVER THE QUANTITY OF FUEL HANDED OUT. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED.

B. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED ON THE PROBLEM EXPERIENCED WITH RADIO UNAMIR AS RELATED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPs.

C. NO UPDATE HAS BEEN OBTAINED YET FROM THE RPA CONCERNING THE KNOWN LOCAL THIEF, CALLED KAMANZI (FROM NYAMABUYE COMMUNE, SECTOR SYHOGWE, CELLULE MBARE), WHO CAME TO THIS HQ AROUND 1700 HRS YESTERDAY AND IMPERSONATED AN RPA SOLDIER LOOKING FOR UNIFORMS. THIS MAN WAS THE RING LEADER ONCE ARRESTED FOR ORCHESTRATING BREAK-INS INTO THIS HQ. HE IS ALSO THE ONE WHO WAS ONCE HEARD SAYING THAT HE WOULD COME TO THIS HQ WITH "ARMED RPA FRIENDS" AND THAT HE WOULD ROB EVERYTHING THERE IS TO ROB.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. LOOKING FORWARD TO A NEW MANDATE.



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INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 9 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 081800 TO 091800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

A. GENERAL. CALM. FOUR PATROLS WERE SENT TO THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE PREFECTURE TO TAKE THE PULSE OF THE POPULATION FOLLOWING THE FOUR DAY MANDATE EXTENSION. NO PARTICULAR PROBLEMS WERE ENCOUNTERED.

B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. IT WAS LEARNT THAT CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES ARE USING THE RPA TO COLLECT TAX PAYER MONEY. TWO DIFFERENT TECHNIQUES HAVE BEEN NOTED. THE FIRST ONE SEES RPA SOLDIERS, NORMALLY IN VEHICLES, PICKING UP PEOPLE ON THE SIDE OF THE ROAD AND BRINGING THEM TO THE COMMUNE OFFICE TO ENSURE THEIR TAXES ARE PAID (APPLIES TO PEOPLE BETWEEN 18 AND 50). THE SECOND ONE IS MORE DRASTIC AND SEES THE RPA ORGANIZING A CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION ACCOMPANIED BY THE BOURGMESTRE WITH HIS TAX REGISTER BOOK IN HAND. THIS INFORMATION CAME FROM VARYING SOURCES IN MASANGO COMMUNE (6254). ONE SOURCE INDICATED THAT THE REAL REASON FOR THE CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION WAS ACTUALLY TO FIND THE GENOCIDAIRES IN HIDING AND THAT THE TAX COLLECTION WAS ONLY A PRETEXT TO MOUNT THE OPERATION.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE RPA REACTION TO THE FOUR DAY MANDATE EXTENSION WAS HARDLY NOTICEABLE. ONE NEW CHECK POINT WAS RAISED BETWEEN KIGALI AND GITARAMA (830 766) AND TWO RPA SOLDIERS INITIALLY REFUSED TO LET A PATROL PROCEED TO MASANGO (711 610) BUT LATER AGREED AFTER SOME NEGOTIATION.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR WAS ON PATROL IN MASANGO COMMUNE TODAY. TOMORROW HE INTENDS TO GO TO KIGALI FOR HIS USUAL SIX HOUR VISIT.

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B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE KIGOMA (7649) INCLUDING SECTORS KIGOMA (7846), RWOGA (7548), BUTARE (7550) AND GAHOMBO (7949). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM AS RELATED BY THE BOURGMESTRE, THE RPA AND LOCALS. THREE PEOPLE FROM THREE DIFFERENT SECTORS WERE ARRESTED ON GENOCIDE CHARGES LAST WEEK. ONE INCIDENT OF BANDITRY INVOLVING TWO ARMED AND UNIFORMED BANDITS YIELDED 70 000 RWF TO THE ROBBERS.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO COMMUNE KAYENZI (8389) INCLUDING SECTOR CUBI (8192), KIRWA (8591), MARENGA (8091), BITARE (8383) AND BUGHARAMA (8589). THE RPA ARRESTED A LARGE, UNSPECIFIED, NUMBER OF PEOPLE ON FRIDAY 8 DEC 95. THIS COMMUNE SITUATION COULD BE DESCRIBED AS "TENSE". THE TEAM FOLLOWED UP WITH A LOCAL RPA SERGEANT WHO HAS A "HARD LINER" APPROACH. THE POPULATION CLEARLY RUNS AWAY FROM THE RPA AND IS EVEN RELUCTANT IN SPEAKING TO UNAMIR MILOBS FOR FEAR OF REPRISAL.

(3) THE THIRD TEAM WENT TO MASANGO COMMUNE (SEE PARA 2.A.) AND LEARNED OF BANDIT ACTIVITIES IN SECTOR NTONGWE (6165). TWO RPA SOLDIERS ON LEAVE WENT INTO A HOUSE TO STEAL MONEY ON THURSDAY, 7 DEC 95. AS A RESULT OF THE FIGHT THAT ENSUED, THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY AND ONE OF THE RPA SOLDIERS WERE INJURED. BOTH HAVE BEEN MOVED TO THE KABGAYI HOSPITAL AND FURTHER INVESTIGATION WILL BE OBTAINED FROM THE IPJ.

(4) THE SAME TEAM LEARNED ABOUT ANOTHER ILLICIT DETENTION FACILITY ON THE BORDER BETWEEN MUKINGI AND MASANGO COMMUNES (647 578). THE ORDERS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO THE LOCAL RPA (RELIABLE SOURCE) IS THAT THEY CAN HOLD GENOCIDAIRES FOR UP TO SEVEN DAYS. THE INVESTIGATION WILL CONTINUE TOMORROW (WITH HR REPRESENTATIVE IF AVAILABLE).

(5) ON A MORE POSITIVE NOTE, THE SAME TEAM MET A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY 50 PEOPLE WHO WERE HOLDING A MEETING ON THE SIDE OF THE ROAD (5969). THE TEAM LEARNED THAT THIS WAS A MEETING CHAIRED BY THE CELLULE RESPONSABLE AIMED AT DETERMINING WHO HAD STOLEN WHAT AND TO WHOM DURING THE WAR. THE RESPONSABLE EXPLAINED THAT THE PROCESS WAS GOING WELL.

(6) THE FOURTH TEAM WENT TO MUGINA COMMUNE TO ATTEND THE WEDDING OF THE IPJ. THE TEAM MET BOTH CIVILIAN AND MILITARY AUTHORITIES AND NONE EXPRESSED STRONG FEELINGS ABOUT THE FOUR DAY MANDATE EXTENSION. MOST INTELLECTUALS UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS SIMPLY A WAY TO SAY THAT NEGOTIATIONS ARE NOT OVER YET.

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(7) THE TEAM WAS ALSO SURPRISED TO SEE THAT THE CACHOT NOW HOLDS 78 MORE PRISONERS THAN WHEN IT WAS LAST VISITED ON 20 NOV 95. WITH 341 INMATES, THIS SITUATION IS BECOMING VERY SERIOUS.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. FOUR CASES OF ORAL REHYDRATION SALTS (ORS) WERE DISTRIBUTED TO A MEDICAL CENTRE IN KAYENZI COMMUNE (8389).

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	02
	SERVICEABLE	05

8. MILOB STATE

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PRESENT	20

9. MISCELLANEOUS

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JUSTICE SYSTEM AS LONG AS THE SYSTEM IS NOT ABUSED AND THAT THERE IS POSITIVE CONTROL OVER THE QUANTITY OF FUEL HANDED OUT. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED.

B. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED ON THE PROBLEM EXPERIENCED WITH RADIO UNAMIR AS RELATED IN YESTERDAY'S SITREP.

C. A KNOWN LOCAL THIEF, CALLED KAMANZI (FROM NYAMABUYE COMMUNE, SECTOR SYHOGWE, CELLULE MBARE), CAME TO THIS HQ AROUND 1700 HRS AND IMPERSONATED AN RPA SOLDIER LOOKING FOR UNIFORMS. THIS MAN WAS THE RING LEADER ONCE ARRESTED FOR ORCHESTRATING BREAK-INS INTO THIS HQ. HE IS ALSO THE ONE WHO WAS ONCE HEARD SAYING THAT HE WOULD COME TO THIS HQ WITH "ARMED RPA FRIENDS" AND THAT HE WOULD ROB EVERYTHING THERE IS TO ROB. THE RPA WILL BE INFORMED FORTHWITH.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THIS SECTOR HQ "DISCUSSED" THE VIABILITY OF PATROLLING FOLLOWING THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MANDATE FOUR DAY EXTENSION. THE DECISION WAS MADE TO PROCEED WITH PATROLLING BUT TO AVOID AREAS OF POTENTIAL CONFRONTATION. BASED ON TODAY'S RESULTS, IT APPEARS THAT IT WAS A WISE CHOICE AND THIS HQ WILL CONTINUE ON THE SAME AXIS OF APPROACH.



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
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INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 8 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 071800 TO 081800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
  - (1) RPA. NTR.
  - (2) FRGF. NTR.
  - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. MANY NGOS CAME TO ATTEND THE LAST PRAYERS OF THE CURRENT MANDATE. THEY ALL WANTED TO KNOW WHAT WAS HAPPENING TO UNAMIR POSSIBLE MANDATE RENEWAL.

B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE RUTOBWE (7781) INCLUDING SECTORS NTONDE (7981) AND CYEZA (7777). THE SITUATION IS CALM AS REPORTED BY THE BOURGMESTRE AND LOCALS. CACHOT FIGURES 111 (102-24 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 87.
- (2) THE SAME TEAM VISITED MUSAMBIRA COMMUNE (8274) INCLUDING GATIZO SECTOR. THE SITUATION WAS ALSO REPORTED AS CALM BY THE BOURGMESTRE. THE LOCAL RPA SOLDIERS WERE INTERESTED IN KNOWING THE DATE OF UNAMIR'S WITHDRAWAL.
- (3) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO MASANGO COMMUNE (6254) INCLUDING NYAKOGO (6256), KIRWA (6159), GITINDA (5954) AND KARAME (6254) SECTORS. THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 279(239-20 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 241.
- (4) LOCALS CONTINUE REQUESTING FOR PESTICIDES AND FOOD.

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4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

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8. MILOB STATE

A. IT WAS NOT UNDERSTOOD WHY THE FAREWELL PARTY TO MILOB AT "CHEZ LANDO" IS HAPPENING THE SAME NIGHT AS THE UNAMIR CHRISTMAS PARTY AT TRAFIPRO ON 16 DEC 95. YOUR HQ IS KINDLY REQUESTED TO ENQUIRE INTO THE MATTER.

B. CONCERNING THIS LAST PARTY ORGANIZED BY UNAMIR WELFARE COMMITTEE AT TRAFIPRO, THIS HQ ASSUMES THAT THE INFORMATION LETTER DATED 7 AUG 95 CONCERNING DIFFERENT ENTRANCE FEES (\$10 VICE \$5 FOR THOSE RECEIVING MSA) IS A JOKE AS PART OF THE JOVIAL TONE OF THE WHOLE DOCUMENT. IF MSA IS PAID TO SOME MEMBERS, IT IS BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO FACE EXPENSES THAT OTHER PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE TO FACE. IT IS UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER, THAT PERSONNEL ON RATION IN TRAFIPRO COULD BE ASKED TO PAY A LESSER AMOUNT IF A MEAL IS BEING SERVED. AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, CREATING TWO PRICES FOR A SAME SERVICE PROVIDED CANNOT BE TOLERATED NOR CAN IT BE DEFENDED ON ANY KNOWN PRINCIPLE OF FAIRNESS. YOUR HQ IS KINDLY REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE THE MATTER.

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B. THIS HQ IS EXPERIENCING PROBLEMS WITH INFORMATION GIVEN ON RADIO UNAMIR. THE KAYENZI (8389) BOURGMESTRE HAS OFFICIALLY COMPLAINED THAT RADIO UNAMIR HAS SAID THAT "NUMEROUS" PRISONERS IN THEIR COMMUNE CACHOT HAD GUNSHOT WOUNDS. THE FOLLOWING STEPS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED:

(1) DETERMINE WHETHER IT IS TRUE THAT RADIO UNAMIR HAS VOICED SUCH A REPORT IN THE LAST FEW DAYS.

(2) IF SO, DENY THE REPORT AND APOLOGIZE FOR WRONG INFORMATION BEING GIVEN SINCE ONLY ONE PERSON IN THE CACHOT SUFFERED BULLET WOUNDS (SEE OUR SITREP DATED 4 DEC 95 PARA 3.B.(1)). THE OTHER CASE WAS A PRISONER WITH A BONE INFECTION.

(3) THIS HQ ATTEMPTS TO FORWARD PRECISE SITREPs AND IT IS REQUESTED THAT RADIO UNAMIR, IF IT IS USING OUR SITREPs FOR ITS PROGRAMMING, BE CAREFUL IN REPORTING THE INFORMATION ACCURATELY. THERE HAS NOW BEEN THREE INSTANCES (WE CONSIDERED THE FIRST TWO UNWORTHY OF A SPECIAL REPORT) WHERE RADIO UNAMIR HAS HINDERED OUR GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES. HUMAN RIGHT OFFICERS IN GITARAMA ARE JOINING MILOBS IN THIS RECOMMENDATION AND YOUR HQ IS KINDLY REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE THE MATTER.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. OBVIOUSLY, I AM WAITING FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEXT MANDATE. AFTER DISCUSSING WITH MILOB HQ, I HAVE DECIDED NOT TO SEND PATROLS TOMORROW UNLESS WE RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION OF A NEW MANDATE OR A FORMAL ORDER TO SEND PATROLS EVEN THOUGH WE DO NOT HAVE AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF A NEW MANDATE. THIS IS DEEMED PRUDENT GIVEN THE UN INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT WE EVOLVE IN. THANK YOU TO THE WHOLE OF MILOB GP HQ ON THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THIS MANDATE.



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COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 7 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 061800 TO 071800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. A DOCUMENT DATED 30 NOV 95 WAS RECEIVED THROUGH A RELIABLE SOURCE TODAY AND IT WAS SIGNED BY THE "GENERAL DE BRIGADE" LEONIDAS RUSATIRA AND THE FORMER MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR, SETH SENDASHONGA. THE DOCUMENT IS CALLING FOR A MORE IMPARTIAL REVIEW OF THE RWANDESE PROBLEM. A COPY OF THE SIX PAGE FAX HAS BEEN HANDED OVER TO THE FC WHO WAS VISITING THIS HQ TODAY.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER WAS ALSO BRIEFED ON THE PROGRESS OF THE HR/MILOB INVESTIGATION IN THE TORTURE OF SIX PEOPLE RESULTING IN AT LEAST ONE MAN KILLED AND TWO MEN MISSING IN GITARAMA CITY ON 3 AND 4 DEC 95. THE PLOT IS THICKENING AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICERS ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING THE CASE.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ

(1) THIS HQ HAS HOSTED THE FC ON HIS FAREWELL VISIT. EVERYTHING WENT WELL WITH MANY NGOS WHICH ACCEPTED THE INVITATION.

(2) THE EXPLANATION TO THE GITARAMA PRISON DIRECTOR'S REFUSAL OF HAVING MSF VISITING THE PRISON BECAME SELF-EXPLANATORY WHEN THIS HQ HEARD TODAY THAT MSF WAS NOW CONSIDERED "PERSONA NON GRATA" IN RWANDA.

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B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYAMABUYE (7075) INCLUDING SECTORS MUSUMBA (7869), MBUYE (6365) AND RUKAZA (7765). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM ACCORDING TO THE BOURGMESTRE. CACHOT FIGURES 239 (160-15 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 184.

(2) IN MUSUMBA SECTOR, THE TEAM WAS ADVISED THAT THE LOCALS ARE LIVING IN FEAR BECAUSE OF ARBITRARY ARRESTS BY RPA. THE SECTOR WITNESSED 15 PEOPLE ARRESTED IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS.

(3) IN RUKAZA SECTOR, THE TEAM LEARNT THAT ON 5 DEC 95, AT ABOUT 0100 HRS, SEVEN BANDITS DRESSED IN RPA UNIFORMS, TIED ONE MAN AND HIS WIFE IN THEIR HOUSE AND ROBBED THEM OF 7 000 RWF.

(4) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE BULINGA (6677) INCLUDING SECTORS BURAMBA (6883), MUSENYI (6279), NYARUTOVE (6381) AND REMERA (6380). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM. HOWEVER, NINE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED FOR GENOCIDE SINCE 1 DEC 95.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

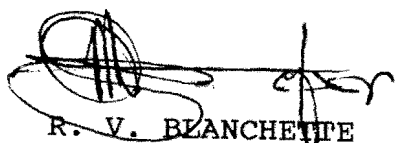
8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS. AS REQUESTED YESTERDAY, THE POLICY REGARDING "FUEL SUPPORT" TO THE PARQUET NEEDS CLARIFICATION. IT APPEARS THAT THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE IS NOT PROVIDING ANY FUEL TO THE PREFECTURE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR. IT IS CLAIMED THAT IN OTHER SECTORS, PUBLIC PROSECUTORS ARE ALLOWED TO DRAW SOME UNAMIR FUEL FOR THEM TO PERFORM THEIR FUNCTION. THIS WOULD BE A VERY GOOD WAY TO HELP THE JUSTICE SYSTEM AS LONG AS THE SYSTEM IS NOT ABUSED AND THAT THERE IS POSITIVE CONTROL OVER THE QUANTITY OF FUEL HANDED OUT. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED.



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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I GUESS WE HAVE REACHED THE LAST CURVE OF THE CURRENT MANDATE. SOME INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING PATROLS ON SATURDAY 9 DEC 95 ARE REQUIRED.



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SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 051800 TO 061800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA

(A) THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON RADIO RWANDA CONCERNING THE KILLING OF TWO RPA SOLDIERS IN GITARAMA CITY WAS RELATIVELY ACCURATE. A DRUNK SERGEANT BEAT A CORPORAL AND FINALLY SHOT HIM DEAD AROUND 022200 DEC 95 AS THE LATTER WAS ATTEMPTING TO FLEE. THE SERGEANT WAS THEN IN CLOSE CUSTODY AT HIS PLACE AND WAS KILLED AROUND 030200 DEC 95 AS HE ATTEMPTED TO FLEE.

(B) THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER WAS ALSO BRIEFED ON THE PROGRESS OF THE HR/MILOB INVESTIGATION IN THE TORTURE OF SIX PEOPLE RESULTING IN AT LEAST ONE MAN KILLED AND TWO MEN MISSING IN GITARAMA CITY ON 3 AND 4 DEC 95. THE STORY IS QUITE COMPLICATED AND INVOLVES ONE RPA MEMBER AND CIVILIANS RELATED TO RPA OFFICERS AS POTENTIAL CULPRITS. THEIR NAMES HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN TO THE RPA. THE RPA WILL COME BACK TO THIS HQ ONCE THEY HAVE CONCLUDED THEIR INVESTIGATION AND THEN "NOTES WILL BE COMPARED". THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER CONSIDERS THE INCIDENT AS VERY SERIOUS.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR ATTEMPTED TO VISIT THE GITARAMA PRISON WITH MSF REPRESENTATIVES WHO HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEPLOYING EMERGENCY TEAMS SHOULD IT BE

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WARRANTED ANYWHERE IN RWANDA. OBVIOUSLY, THE GITARAMA PRISON WOULD BE A GOOD PLACE TO "RECCE". THE PRISON DIRECTOR REFUSED TO AUTHORIZE THE VISIT AND IT WAS FELT THAT IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE OF POLITICAL REASONS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MURAMA (6749) INCLUDING SECTORS JOMA (6452), AND NKOMERO. THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM. THE TEAM HANDED 20 CARTONS OF ORAL REHYDRATION SALTS (ORS) TO GITWE HEALTH CENTRE.

(2) THE SAME TEAM DIRECTED MEMBERS OF 95 CMSG TO THE GATAGARA MISSION WHERE THEY CONDUCTED A RECCE FOR SHIFTING THE 1400 KG GENERATOR. THE OPERATION WILL TAKE PLACE ONCE A ROOF HAS BEEN REMOVED AND MILOBS WILL ADVISE WHEN THE WORK IS COMPLETE.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED TABA (8883) COMMUNE. THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM BY RPA AND LOCALS. HOWEVER, SOME PRISONERS SAID THAT THEY HAD BEEN "CONDEMNED" BY RPA AND THAT IT HAD INTIMATED THAT THE PRISONERS WOULD FIND THEMSELVES IN THEIR GRAVE ONCE UNAMIR HAS GONE. CACHOT FIGURES 236(208-22-NOV 95) GENOCIDE 225. THREE PRISONERS WERE REPORTED TO BELONG TO MUSAMBIRA, MUGINA AND RUNDA COMMUNES.

(4) THE SAME TEAM MARRIED UP WITH HR OFFICERS TO VISIT RUNDA (9882) COMMUNE TO INVESTIGATE ALLEGATIONS OF TORTURE IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT. THE TEAM COULD NOT FIND ANY CONFIRMED CASE OF TORTURE. CACHOT FIGURES 328 (286-22 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 298. THE PRISONERS COMPLAINED THAT THEY WERE NOT ALLOWED TO SEE THEIR RELATIVES EVEN IF THEY BROUGHT THEM FOOD. SOME PRISONERS ACTUALLY REFUSE THE FOOD BROUGHT IN THE CACHOT BECAUSE THEY FEAR POISONING BY THE RPA.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. ONE TEAM TRANSPORTED A SERIOUSLY ILL PRISONER FROM KAYENZI (8389) TO KABGAYI HOSPITAL.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

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8. MILOB STATE:

POSTED	24
LEAVE/CTO	01
PRESENT	23

9. MISCELLANEOUS. THE POLICY REGARDING "FUEL SUPPORT" TO THE PARQUET IS REQUESTED. IT APPEARS THAT THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE IS NOT PROVIDING ANY FUEL TO THE PREFECTURE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR. IT IS CLAIMED THAT IN OTHER SECTORS, PUBLIC PROSECUTORS ARE ALLOWED TO DRAW SOME UNAMIR FUEL FOR THEM TO PERFORM THEIR FUNCTION. THIS WOULD BE A VERY GOOD WAY TO HELP THE JUSTICE SYSTEM AS LONG AS THE SYSTEM IS NOT ABUSED AND THAT THERE IS POSITIVE CONTROL OVER THE QUANTITY OF FUEL HANDED OUT. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. TWO DAYS LEFT IN THE MANDATE. CAN'T WAIT TO DISCUSS THIS WITH THE FC TOMORROW ON HIS FAREWELL VISIT.



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DATE: 5 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 041800 TO 051800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA

(A) IT WAS LEARNT TODAY THAT AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF SOLDIERS FROM UGANDA ARRIVED IN GITARAMA APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS AGO. THIS WAS DISCOVERED IN THE INVESTIGATION IN THE DOWNTOWN TORTURE CASES (SEE PARA 9.) AS IT WAS APPARENTLY THESE NEW SOLDIERS IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING WHO TORTURED THE VICTIMS ON SUNDAY 3 DEC 95.

(B) THE RPA HAS BEEN ASKED TO PROVIDE THIS SECTOR WITH THEIR VERSION OF AN INTERNAL FIRE FIGHT THAT HAS CLAIMED THE LIFE OF TWO RPA NCOs ON SUNDAY 3 DEC 95.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR VISITED THE GITARAMA PRISON WITH VISITORS FROM NORMED WHO INSPECTED IN DETAIL THE PRISON MEDICAL FACILITIES. THEY WERE QUITE IMPRESSED WITH THE QUALITY OF THE WORK PERFORMED BY THE ONE DOCTOR AND SIX NURSES TO CARE FOR 6500 INMATES. CONDITIONS ARE NOW QUITE IMPROVED AND IT IS NO LONGER THE HELL IT USED TO BE. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT CONDITIONS ARE NOW WORSE IN AT LEAST HALF OF THE COMMUNE CACHOTS OF THIS SECTOR.

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B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE TAMBWE (7652) INCLUDING SECTORS MUNINI (7855), TAMBWE (7956), NTENYO (7956) AND GIKOMA (8153). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED TO BE CALM.

(2) THE TEAM LEARNED THAT EIGHT PEOPLE RETURNED TO THE COMMUNE LAST WEEK FROM TANZANIA (OLD CASE LOAD). CACHOT FIGURES 198 (189 - 27 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 178. THE IPJ REQUESTED FOR THE TRANSFER OF NINE PRISONERS BELONGING TO OTHER COMMUNES AND HR OFFICERS HAVE BEEN ADVISED ACCORDINGLY.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NYABIKENKE (7292) INCLUDING SECTORS NGOMA (7488), MUGUNGA (7098) AND MAHEMBE (7295). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED TO BE CALM. THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT 123 (124 - 27 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 103.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE RECCE BY 95 CMSG TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046) WILL HAPPEN TOMORROW MORNING.

B. AN EMERGENCY TEAM WAS SENT TO THE GITARAMA STADIUM TODAY TO TRANSPORT THE SEVEN PRISONERS WHO WERE REPORTED AS DYING OF HUNGER BY THE PREFET. THEY WERE SENT TO FIVE DIFFERENT COMMUNES AND THE INFORMATION CONCERNING THEIR STATE WAS TRUE.

C. INDSIGS SHOWED A LOT OF RESOURCEFULNESS IN PROVIDING A PICK-UP FOR THE TRANSPORT OF 2000 PINEAPPLE PLANTS FROM RUHANGO TO GITARAMA ON BEHALF OF A WIDOW ASSOCIATION.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

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8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

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9. MISCELLANEOUS. THE RELIABLE SOURCE THAT INFORMED US THAT THREE PEOPLE WERE TORTURED IN A GITARAMA CITY RESTAURANT YESTERDAY WAS FURTHER INTERVIEWED BUT THE MEETING HAD TO BE POSTPONED BECAUSE OF THE ARRIVAL OF RPA SOLDIERS ON THE SCENE. IT IS NOW BELIEVED THAT THREE PEOPLE WERE KILLED BY TORTURE AND A FOURTH ONE IS REPORTED MISSING. IT APPEARS THAT TWO OF THE THREE VICTIMS WERE NIGHT GUARDS IN SHOPS WHO DID NOT REACT PROPERLY TO THE THEFT ATTEMPT. THE THIRD VICTIM WOULD BE A FRIEND OF ONE OF THE NIGHT GUARD. THE MISSING PERSON IS ALSO A NIGHT WATCHMAN. THIS SECTOR IS ATTEMPTING TO FIND NAMES AND THE LOCATION OF BODIES. MORE TO FOLLOW (NIGHT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR TONIGHT).

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THE GITARAMA PRISON CONDITION IS IMPROVING BUT I AM A LITTLE CONCERNED THAT WE NOW ACTUALLY HAVE TWO GITARAMA PRISONS: THE OLD ONE AND THE NEW ONE. THERE IS NO COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE TWO AND THIS WAS NOT SUPPOSED TO BE THE CASE. I WILL FURTHER INVESTIGATE WITH THE PRISON AUTHORITIES.



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SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 031800 TO 041800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.

B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA.
- (2) FRFG. NTR.
- (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNES KAYENZI (8389) AND NYAKABANDA (6597) ON A JOINT HELIPATROL WITH THE RPA BDE CDR. THE CONTACT WITH THE KAYENZI BOURGMESTRE WAS PARTICULARLY USEFUL BECAUSE WE HAD NUMEROUS PROBLEMS WITH HIM FOR THE VISIT OF CACHOTS. IT WAS INTERESTING TO CONFRONT THE BOURGMESTRE WITH THE LETTER SIGNED BY THE RPA BDE CDR WHICH ALLOWS MILOBS TO VISIT COMMUNE CACHOTS. FIRM DIRECTION WAS PASSED TO LOCAL RPA TO LET MILOBS AND HR OFFICERS VISIT THE CACHOT AT THEIR WILL. 218 DETAINEES WERE HELD IN TWO ROOMS IN WHAT IS PROBABLY THE HIGHEST DENSITY OF PRISONERS IN THE PREFECTURE. ONE CASE OF TORTURE WAS IDENTIFIED AND THE EVACUATION OF TWO MEN WITH EXTREMELY SERIOUS WOUNDS (ONE WITH THE THIGH OPEN TO THE BONE WITH INFECTION AND ANOTHER ONE WITH BULLET WOUNDS TO BOTH LEGS).

(2) THE SECOND STOP FOR THE HELIPATROL WAS IN NGARU SECTOR (6308) IN NYAKABANDA COMMUNE TO VISIT THE SITE OF WHAT HAS BEEN AN ILLICIT DETENTION CENTRE. OF COURSE, NO DETAINEES WERE FOUND THERE BUT THERE WAS STILL THE



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EQUIVALENT OF AN RPA SECTION IN PLACE. AS IT COULD BE EXPECTED, THE TROOPS HAD BEEN ROTATED AND IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO CONTACT THE SERGEANT WHO HAD SAID THAT THE CELL WAS ONLY FOR THOSE PEOPLE ARRESTED BY THE LOCAL RPA WITHOUT THE BOURGMESTRE OR THE IPJ KNOWING ABOUT IT. THE RPA BDE CDR SAID THAT HE WAS GOING TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUGINA (9267) INCLUDING NGOMA SECTOR (9371) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(4) IT WAS LEARNT FROM THE SISTERS OF THE SPANISH CONVENT THAT MR NZAMYMWITA CASSIEN WAS ARRESTED AROUND 23 NOV 95 AS IT WAS BELIEVED THAT HE WAS CARRYING A WEAPON ON HIS SHOULDER DURING THE GENOCIDE. HOWEVER HIS FAMILY CONTENDS THAT HE NEVER HAD A GUN. HUMAN RIGHTS IS FOLLOWING UP.

(5) THE SAME TEAM ALSO VISITED RUNDA COMMUNE (9882), INCLUDING SECTORS KINYAMI (9117), RUGALIKA (9574) AND KIGESE (9677), AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT HAS INCREASED FROM 282 TO 300 SINCE 6 NOV 95. MOST OF THE RECENT ARRESTS ARE GENOCIDE RELATED.

(6) THE THIRD TEAM VISITED MUKINGI COMMUNE (7161) INCLUDING SECTORS KAMUSENYI (7061), NYAKABUYE (6962), GITEGA (6964) AND MUHORORO (7458) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(7) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT HAVE INCREASED FROM 106 TO 112 SINCE 18 NOV 95. THE RECENT ARRESTS ARE FOR COMMON CRIMES.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE RECCE OF THE WORK TO BE DONE AT THE GITARAMA PRISON BY INDBATT ENGINEERS HAS BEEN CONDUCTED TODAY AND IT WAS REQUESTED FROM THE ICRC THAT SOME IMPROVEMENT OF THE ACCESS TO THE PLACES WHERE HOLES HAVE TO BE DUG BE IMPROVED. THIS SHOULD TAKE THREE TO FOUR DAYS. APPARENTLY, INDBATT ENGINEERS HAVE ORDERS NOT TO UNDERTAKE ANY TASK UNTIL THERE IS A CONFIRMATION OF THE MANDATE RENEWAL.

B. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST FOUR SITREPS, 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046). A RECCEE THROUGH THIS HQ WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT

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6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

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	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. A RELIABLE SOURCE HAS INFORMED US THAT THREE PEOPLE WERE TORTURED IN A GITARAMA CITY RESTAURANT YESTERDAY AROUND 1500 HRS. TWO OF THEM DIED SOMETIME DURING THE EVENING. THIS SECTOR (MILOBS AND HR) IS CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING (TONIGHT) BECAUSE THE THIRD IS APPARENTLY IN A VERY BAD STATE AND HAS BEEN ACCEPTED AT THE NYAMABUYE (GITARAMA CITY) COMMUNE CACHOT. THE TORTURERS WOULD BE NINE PEOPLE IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES BELIEVED TO BE FROM THE RPA (ACCORDING TO THE INFORMANT). THE ICRC WAS ALSO CONTACTED AND HAS ATTEMPTED IN VAIN TO VISIT THIS PRISONER.

B. THE PREFET JUST CONCLUDED A VISIT TO THE SECT CDR AND INFORMED HIM THAT 21 PEOPLE WERE PUT IN THE STADIUM CAVE ON SATURDAY (3 DEC 95) MORNING WITHOUT HIM KNOWING ABOUT IT. THEY WERE ARRESTED IN KIGALI A FEW DAYS BEFORE THIS. HE STATED THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE DYING OF HUNGER, PLAINLY. THEY DID NOT EAT ANYTHING FOR DAYS. THIS HQ WILL MOVE THOSE SEVEN FROM SECTOR 1B BUT 14 ARE FROM KIBUYE (THE PREFET WAS REAL MAD THAT THESE HAD BEEN DROPPED ON HIM). IT IS URGENTLY REQUIRED THAT SECTOR 5C SEND VEHICLES TO PICK UP THESE PEOPLE SO THAT THEY CAN BE FED BY THEIR FAMILIES. ALTERNATIVELY, A TRUCK COULD BE "CHARTERED" FROM YOUR HQ AND THIS SECTOR COULD TRY TO GET AN RPA ESCORT FOR THE TRIP. IN THE PAST, 95 % OF THESE PEOPLE ARRESTED IN KIGALI HAVE BEEN FREED AS SOON AS THEIR BEHAVIOUR DURING THE WAR HAS BEEN CHECKED.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. ANOTHER BUSY DAY IN GITARAMA.



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SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 021800 TO 031800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. LAST FRIDAY WAS "LA ST-ANDRE" AND MGR ANDRE SIBOMANA MADE A SPECIAL "SPEECH" AT THE KABGAYI CHURCH. HE SAID THAT HIS LIFE WAS THREATENED AND THAT HE HAS HAD TO REFUSE TO FOLLOW SOLDIERS WHO HAD ASKED HIM TO FOLLOW THEM TO AN UNKNOWN LOCATION. LOCALS REPORTED THE FOLLOWING SPEECH FROM HIM:

"I CRITICIZED MEMBERS OF THE PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT NOW IN EXILE IN ZAIRE AND THEY WANTED TO KILL ME. NOW, I CRITICIZE THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT AND IT WANTS TO KILL ME TOO. CHRISTIANS MUST NOT FEAR BECAUSE CHRISTIANS DO NOT DIE" (FREE TRANSLATION).

B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA. NTR.
- (2) FRFG. NTR.
- (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
- B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYAMABUYE (7570) INCLUDING SECTORS MUSUMBA (7869), MBUYE (8365), GATENZI (7374) AND TAKWE (7575). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(2) IN MUSUMBA SECTOR, IT WAS LEARNT THAT THE COUNSELLOR AND 15 PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED TWO WEEKS AGO BY RPA FOR HAVING PARTICIPATED IN GENOCIDE. THE RPA HAD WARRANTS OF ARREST FROM THE IPJ.

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(3) IN THE SAME SECTOR, ON 29 NOV, AT ABOUT 2230 HRS, 15 BANDITS IN CIV CLOTHES AND ARMED WITH FAKE RIFLES ROBBED THE LOCALS OF THREE BICYCLES, TWO RADIOS AND TWO TYPING MACHINES. THIS LOOTING WAS CARRIED OUT IN TWO HOUSES ONLY.

(4) IN MBUYE SECTOR, THE TEAM WAS ADVISED THAT THE RPA IS MAINTAINING ONE TEMPORARY DETENTION CELL. THREE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED, TWO FOR GENOCIDE AND ONE FOR CATTLE THEFT THIS WEEK (DATE UNCONFIRMED).

(5) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597) AND VISITED SECTORS KIRWA (6388), KAGOGWE (6490), GASOVU (6698) AND KIBIMBA (6494). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(6) THREE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED ON GENOCIDE CHARGES ON 1 DEC 95 IN KIRWA SECTOR. ANOTHER FIVE WERE ARRESTED ON 30 NOV BY THE BOURGMESTRE IN KAGOGWE. IN THE SAME SECTOR, A REFUGEE IN ZAIRE RETURN ON 18 NOV 95.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE RECCE OF THE WORK TO BE DONE AT THE GITARAMA PRISON BY INDBATT ENGINEERS HAS BEEN DELAYED TO MONDAY 4 DEC 95 AT 1000 HRS.

B. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST THREE SITREPS, 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046). A RECCEE THROUGH THIS HQ WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

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6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

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9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I WISH TO REPEAT THE ASSESSMENT I MADE YESTERDAY CONCERNING THE NEED FOR INFO ON THE CONFRONTATION THAT SEEMS TO BE DEVELOPING BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE-PRESIDENT OVER UNAMIR MANDATE'S RENEWAL.



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TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
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DATE: 2 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 011800 TO 021800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.  
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.

B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA. SEE PARA 3.B.(2).  
(2) FRFG. NTR.  
(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR LIAISED WITH FATHER VJEKO, THE KABGAYI ACCOUNTANT AND HE DISCUSSED THE OVERALL SITUATION OF OFFICIALS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH WHO FEEL A LOT OF PRESSURE FROM THE DMI. INDIVIDUAL CASES WERE DISCUSSED AND MILOB TEAMS WILL INVESTIGATE AND FURTHER REPORT.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MASANGO (6254) INCLUDING SECTORS RUKINA (63590), KIRWA (6159), GITINDA (5959) AND NYAKOGO (6256). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM, ALTHOUGH DISPUTES ABOUT CATTLE OWNING BETWEEN TUTSI AND HUTU ARE FREQUENT. CACHOT FIGURES: 239 (NO CHANGE FROM 20 NOV 95).

(2) IN RUKINA SECTOR, IT WAS LEARNT THAT LAST WEEK RPA SOLDIERS ROBBED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF LOCALS OF UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF RADIOS AND SEWING MACHINES. THESE SOLDIERS WERE ACTUALLY PART OF A REGULAR PATROL AND THE CASE WILL BE FOLLOWED WITH RPA AUTHORITIES. LOCALS ARE REPORTED TO BE LIVING IN A STATE OF FEAR IN THIS SECTOR.

(3) IN NYAKOGO SECTOR, THE TEAM WAS ADVISED THAT THREE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED, TWO FOR GENOCIDE AND ONE FOR

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CATTLE THEFT THIS WEEK (DATE UNCONFIRMED). IT WAS ALSO HEARD THAT LOCALS NEED HELP TO RECONSTRUCT THEIR HOUSES.

(4) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED RUTOBWE (7781) INCLUDING SECTORS CYEZA (7777), GATOVU (7479), RUTONGA (7585) AND GIKO (7885). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM LEARNT THAT CYEZA ORPHANAGE WAS MOVING TO GITARAMA TOWN ON THE MUSHUBATI ROAD IN AN ABANDONED HOTEL (BEFORE THE END OF DECEMBER 1995). CATTLE RUSTLING ALONG THE BOUNDARY WITH KAYENZI COMMUNE WAS REPORTED.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE RECCE OF THE WORK TO BE DONE AT THE GITARAMA PRISON BY INDBATT ENGINEERS HAS BEEN DELAYED TO MONDAY 4 DEC 95 AT 1000 HRS.

B. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046). A RECCEE THROUGH THIS HQ WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.


7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I KNOW THAT EVERYBODY IS IN THE DARK ABOUT THE MANDATE BUT IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF SOME INFORMATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE ON THE CONFRONTATION THAT SEEMS TO BE DEVELOPING BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE-PRESIDENT OVER UNAMIR MANDATE'S RENEWAL.

  
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LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT  
SECTOR 5C

DATE: 1 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 301800 NOV TO 011800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA.

(A) THE RPA BDE MEMBERS JOINED HANDS WITH THE LOCALS AT THE STADIUM CELEBRATING THE AIDS DAY CAMPAIGN. THE CROWD WAS ESTIMATED AT 8 000 PEOPLE.

(B) AN RPA COMPANY COMMANDER AND A SERGEANT PARTICIPATED IN THE HELIPATROL AND WERE VERY COOPERATIVE.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR ATTENDED THE AIDS CAMPAIGN AND WENT ON A HELIPATROL.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE BULINGA (6679) INCLUDING SECTORS RUGENDABALI (6685), GASAVE (6582), BULINGA (6679),



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MUSENYI (6679), REMERA (6380) AND NYARUTOVU (6381). THE SITUATION IS REPORTED AS CALM, EXCEPT FOR COW LIFTING ON 25 NOV 95. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT THE THIEVES MAY BE FROM MUSHUBATI COMMUNE.

(2) AS THE BOURGMESTRE AND HIS ASSISTANT JOINED THE AIDS FUNCTION AT GITARAMA STADIUM, THE TEAM LEARNT FROM THE SECRETARY THAT 2 RETURNEES ARRIVED ON 28 NOV FROM TANZANIA. CACHOT FIGURES 80 (72/17 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 71.

(3) IN GASAVE SECTOR, THE COUNSELLOR REQUESTS SUPPORT FOR REPAIRING THE WATER LINES.

(4) IN NYARUTOVU SECTOR, THE BRIDGE (630 806) IS BROKEN AND DIFFICULT TO BE CROSSED.

(5) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NTONGWE (9057) AND MURAMA (6749) BY HELICOPTER. IN NTONGWE COMMUNE, THE BOURGMESTRE (FORMER MUGINA BOURGMESTRE WHO WAS RELIEVED OF HIS DUTIES BECAUSE HE HAD BEEN INVOLVED IN A MURDER AFFAIR) GAVE A POSITIVE PICTURE OF HIS COMMUNE EVEN THOUGH HE HAS 469 PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT. HE EXPLAINS THE RECENT WAVE OF ARRESTS BECAUSE OF A CHAIN REACTION OF ACCUSATIONS. HE REFUSED SOME OF THE STATISTICS THAT WERE ACTUALLY GIVEN BY THE IPJ. THE TEAM DID NOT GET A POSITIVE FEELING THAT THIS BOURGMESTRE TELLS THE TRUTH, ALL THE TRUTH, NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH.

(6) IN MURAMA, NEITHER THE BOURGMESTRE NOR THE RPA WERE AVAILABLE. AN RPA NCO ESCORTED US TO THE COMMUNE CACHOT WHICH CONTAINS 340 PEOPLE IN ONE ROOM. THESE DETENTION CONDITIONS ARE THE PROOF THAT THE HUMAN BODY IS A VERY RESILIENT MACHINE. A THIRTEEN YEAR OLD BOY WAS SPOTTED IN THIS INFERNO AND THE CASE WILL BE HANDED OVER TO HR OFFICERS. THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES WERE INFORMED THAT NO PRISONERS WILL TRANSFERRED TO THE GITARAMA PRISON (THEY HAD ASKED TO MOVE 150 OF THEM).

**4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES**

A. THE RECCE OF THE WORK TO BE DONE AT THE GITARAMA PRISON BY INDBATT ENGINEERS HAS BEEN DELAYED TO MONDAY 4 DEC 95 AT 1000 HRS.

B. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED

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TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046). A RECCEE THROUGH THIS HQ WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:            ON CHARGE            07  
                                 UNDER REPAIR        01  
                                 SERVICEABLE          06

8. MILOB STATE:            POSTED                24  
                                 LEAVE/CTO            04  
                                 PRESENT              20

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED TO RECCE THE SITE WHERE THE MASANGO D6 CATERPILLAR IS (534 568). OUR INITIAL RECCE IS THAT THE RECOVERY DOES NOT PRESENT PARTICULAR DIFFICULTIES. ITS MOVEMENT TO KIBUYE, HOWEVER, COULD BE A REAL CHALLENGE. THE LETTER SIGNED BY COMMANDER SECTOR 5C (DATED 1 DEC 95) INCLUDED THE REQUEST MADE BY THE KIBUYE PREFET WHO NEEDS THIS CATERPILLAR IN KIBUYE. HIS REQUEST SEEMS TO IMPLY THAT UNAMIR WILL ALSO FIX THE CATERPILLAR.

B. A REPLY IS REQUESTED ON THIS SECTOR'S REQUEST DATED 23 NOV 95 (IN DISCUSSION WITH DCMO) TO HAVE AN ARMED SECTION AT THE PETIT SEMINAIRE FOR THE TURBULENT DAYS OF A POSSIBLE WITHDRAWAL.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THE COMMUNE CACHOT OVERCROWDING IS BECOMING A PROBLEM OF EVEN LARGER MAGNITUDE THAN THE GITARAMA PRISON. I VISITED TODAY TWO OF THESE CACHOTS WHICH TOGETHER HOLD ALMOST 800 PRISONERS. THEY DO NOT HAVE THE VISIBILITY OF THE GITARAMA PRISON AND THEREFORE RECEIVE MUCH LESS SUPPORT FROM NGOs. THERE ARE FOUR OR FIVE OF THESE TIME BOMBS IN SECTOR 1B, NAMELY NTONGWE, MURAMA, RUNDA,

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MASANGO AND MUGINA. THE CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES KEEP ON ARRESTING PEOPLE DURING WEEKDAYS AND THE RPA "TAKES THE SLACK" DURING WEEK-ENDS. AT OUR LEVEL, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO EXPLAIN TO THEM THAT THE ARRESTS HAVE TO BE DELAYED SO THAT THE DETENTION SYSTEM CAN ORGANIZE ITSELF OR SO THAT THE JUSTICE SYSTEM CAN START ITS WORK. THIS IS TO NO AVAIL. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF A PARALLEL NEGOTIATION WOULD HAPPEN AT YOUR LEVEL.



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COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 30 NOV 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 281800 NOV TO 291800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA.

(A) THE RPA BDE CDR HAS DELAYED THE HELIPATROL THAT WAS PLANNED FOR TOMORROW TO VISIT THE ILLICIT DETENTION FACILITY IN NYAKABANDA (6597) AND TO KAYENZI (8389) WHICH IS A COMMUNE WHERE NUMEROUS PROBLEMS ARE DEVELOPING, NAMELY WITH RPA INDISCIPLINE.

(B) SEE PARA 3.B.(4)

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
- B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUSHUBATI (6970) INCLUDING SECTORS MATA (7175), MUHANGA (6775), KAGARAMA (7178) AND GIKOMERO (6572). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM.

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(2) THE TEAM LEARNT THAT 18 "MILD OFFENDERS" (SEE OUR PREVIOUS SITREPS) FROM KIGALI WERE BEING HELD IN THE COMMUNE CACHOTS FOR SCREENING AGAINST GENOCIDE SUSPICIONS. CACHOT FIGURES 109 (77/6 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 63. IT WAS LEARNT THAT THERE ARE SOME LAND AND HOUSES DISPUTES BUT MOSTLY AMONG RELATIVES. ALL AREAS VISITED ARE COMPLAINING OF THE USUAL SHORTAGES OF SEEDS, FOOD AND FARMING IMPLEMENTS.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED RUNDA (9882) AND TABA (8883) COMMUNES, INCLUDING SECTORS KAMONYI (8979), BUGABA (9088), MUSENYI (9191) AND GIHIRA (9686). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(4) IN GIHIRA SECTOR, THE TEAM MET PADRE EMMANUEL WHO FEARS FOR HIS LIFE. HE WAS NEVER AS OUTSPOKEN AS FATHER RAMON BUT THE MILOB TEAM FELT HIS CONCERN GENUINE. IT IS FELT THAT HE HAS LITTLE TO FEAR FROM THE LOCAL RPA WHO IS COOPERATING RELATIVELY WELL WITH AN 11 MEN GUARD IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE WHERE THE SISTERS WERE BEATEN TWO WEEKS AGO. THE PROBLEM IS WITH THE DMI ELEMENTS COMING FROM KIGALI. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR MILOBS TO INFLUENCE THESE PEOPLE, NOR IS IT POSSIBLE FOR THE LOCAL RPA TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT. THE PROBLEM IS SERIOUS BECAUSE ON 24 AND 26 NOV 95, UNKNOWN CIVILIANS WENT TO HIS HOUSE AND TRIED TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON WHERE HE SPENDS HIS NIGHTS. THESE PROBLEMS ARE IN THE WAKE OF THE RADIO RWANDA PROGRAM WHICH ACCUSED ALL SPANISH PRIESTS OF HAVING BEEN INVOLVED IN THE GENOCIDE. YOUR HQ IS REQUESTED TO TAKE ON THE MATTER AT HIGHER LEVEL.

(5) IN RUNDA CACHOT, IT WAS LEARNT THAT TWO PRISONERS WENT MISSING DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AS REPORTED BY THE FAMILIES. HR OFFICERS ARE INVESTIGATING.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE RECCE OF THE WORK TO BE DONE AT THE GITARAMA PRISON IS PLANNED FOR SATURDAY 2 DEC 95. SOME DOZER/DIGGING EQUIPMENT WILL BE DRAMATICALLY REQUIRED BEHIND THE PRISON BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTIES WITH GARBAGE HOLES AND SCEPTIC TANKS. THE ICRC ASKS UNAMIR BECAUSE THEY EXPECT THAT THEIR REQUEST FOR THESE SERVICES TO GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES COULD TAKE UP TO TWO YEARS.

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B. AS REQUESTED YESTERDAY, 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046). A RECCEE THROUGH THIS HQ WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1299 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	01
	PRESENT	23

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST THREE SITREPS, BEFORE PLANNING A RECOVERY OPERATION THROUGH 95 CMSG OF THE MASANGO D6 CATERPILLAR, YOUR HQ IS REQUESTED TO APPROACH THE DFC TO ASK HIM WHAT IS THE END STATE THAT IS SOUGHT FOR THIS CATERPILLAR.

B. A REPLY IS REQUESTED ON THIS SECTOR'S REQUEST DATED 23 NOV 95 (IN DISCUSSION WITH DCMO) TO HAVE AN ARMED SECTION AT THE PETIT SEMINAIRE FOR THE TURBULENT DAYS OF A POSSIBLE WITHDRAWAL.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THIS INVOLVEMENT OF DMI OFFICERS IN PUTTING PRESSURE ON THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IS COMPATIBLE TO THE PROBLEMS KNOWN BY MGR SIBOMANA. THIS MATTER SHOULD BE PURSUED BY AUTHORITIES AT A HIGHER LEVEL.



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
FORCE HQ KIGALI  
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)  
CO INDBATT  
95 CMSG  
INDSIGS COY

DATE: 29 NOV 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 281800 NOV TO 291800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

A. GENERAL. CALM. HOWEVER, OUR STATISTICS ARE INDICATING THAT 543 ARRESTS, A VERY LARGE NUMBER OF THEM DONE WITHOUT AN IPJ'S APPROVAL, HAVE HAPPENED DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER IN THE SECTOR. THIS IS A RECORD.

B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. NTR.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE SECT CDR MET WITH THE RPA BDE CDR TODAY AND LEARNED THE FOLLOWING:

(A) THE FIRST PART OF THE MEETING DEALT WITH REFUGEE ISSUES AS THE SECT CDR INTRODUCED THE GITARAMA UNHCR REP. THE BDE CDR SAID THAT HE HAD REQUESTED GUIDANCE FROM HIS AUTHORITIES ON THE SCREENING PROCESS OF REFUGEES. HE AGREED TO HAVE A "TEMPORARY HOLDING AREA" AT THE PREFECTURE LEVEL WHICH WOULD BE LOCATED AT THE OLD GITARAMA STADIUM. IT WAS AGREED THAT A RECCE OF THIS AREA WOULD BE DONE BETWEEN THE RPA, MILOBS AND THE UNHCR REP FOR SECURITY CONCERNS.

(B) HE SAID THAT HE WOULD INVESTIGATE THE BRICK THROWING INCIDENT AT THE URUGUAYAN HOUSE YESTERDAY.

(C) HE SAID THAT THE "MILD OFFENDERS" PROBLEM (SEE SECT

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CDR'S ASSESSMENT ON 27 NOV 95) HAD BEEN CREATED FOLLOWING AN INITIATIVE OF THE KIGALI PREFET. HE SAID THAT THE CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION IN RUHANGO HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE LATTER AND WAS A BATTALION CDR'S INITIATIVE AIMED AT SEIZING ARMED MEN. THE SEARCH, HOWEVER, ONLY YIELDED SOME THIRTY PEOPLE WHO DID NOT HAVE ANY ID. THESE PEOPLE WERE HANDED OVER TO CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES.

(D) WHEN CONFRONTED WITH THE STATISTIC THAT 543 PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED IN THE LAST 30 DAYS IN THE PREFECTURE, HE SAID THAT IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO COMPLETELY DISSOCIATE THE WAVE OF ARRESTS FROM THE PERCEPTION OF "SPACE AVAILABILITY" IN THE GITARAMA PRISON. HE REAFFIRMED, HOWEVER, THAT NO PRISONERS WERE TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE COMMUNE CACHOTS TO THE GITARAMA PRISON AND THAT THIS WAS PASSED TO ALL BOURGMESTRES AT LAST SECURITY MEETING (A FEW DAYS BACK). THIS HQ WILL MAKE SURE THE POLICY IS WELL PUBLICIZED.

(E) ON THE SECURITY OF MGR SIBOMANA, HE SAID THAT IT NOW HAD BEEN PROVEN THAT THE PRESSURE IS COMING FROM THE DMI (SEE CONFIDENTIAL REPORT) WITH THE MULTI-ADDRESSEES LETTER SENT BY REPORTERS WITHOUT BORDERS. HE CONSIDERS THAT HIS HANDS ARE TIED BECAUSE THE DMI TAKES ITS ORDERS DIRECTLY FROM THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE AND IT WOULD CIRCUMVENT HIM ANYWAY IF A MISSION OF ANY NATURE WAS PLANNED OR LAUNCHED. HE SUSPECTS THAT THE TWO CIVILIAN DRESS MEN STAKING OUT MGR SIBOMANA IN KABGAYI FROM KIGALI. HE SUGGESTED THAT UNAMIR HQ SHOULD LIAISE WITH GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES TO RELIEVE THE PRESSURE EXERTED ON MGR SIBOMANA. HE THINKS NO ELEMENTS OF 305 BDE OR MILOBS IN GITARAMA CAN DO ANYTHING TO IMPROVE SIBOMANA'S SECURITY. THE BALL IS CLEARLY IN A "HIGHER" COURT. A HR SOURCE SAID THAT MGR SIBOMANA WILL HOLD A MEETING WITH ALL THE DIOCESE PLAYERS ON SUNDAY 3 DEC 95. MGR SIBOMANA WILL THEN LEAVE THE COUNTRY FOR AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION ON MONDAY 4 DEC 95. HE WILL RETURN ON 16 OR 17 DEC 95.

(F) THE BDE CDR AGREED TO INVESTIGATE WHETHER MINE AWARENESS BRIEFINGS COULD BE GIVEN TO CIVILIANS. HE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER A POLICY EXISTED ON THE MATTER.



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(G) ON THE SECRET DETENTION FACILITY IN NYAKABANDA, HE SAID THAT NEITHER HE NOR MAJOR KAZUNGU (RPA BATTALION CDR) KNEW OF THIS PRISON. HE WAS GIVEN THE NAME OF THE SERGEANT WHO RECOGNIZED THAT THERE WAS A PRISON ON 25 NOV 95. HE ACCEPTED THE OFFER OF GOING TO THE SITE WITH MAJ KAZUNGU ON A HELIPATROL.

(H) WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF A COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL FROM GITARAMA, THE BDE CDR UNDERSTOOD THE HEIGHTENED RISK OF THEFT AND EVEN ARMED BANDITRY AT THE PETIT SEMINAIRE OR AT MILOBS HOUSES. HE SAID THAT MORE FREQUENT RPA PATROLS WOULD BE CONDUCTED.

(2) FREG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. SEE PARA 2.(B)(1).

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE KIGOMA (7649) INCLUDING SECTORS REMERA (6452), MPANGA (6947) GATAGARA (7046) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THREE REFUGEES FROM ZAIRE ARRIVED IN THE COMMUNE ON 14 NOV 95 AND WERE ARRESTED BY THE RPA. CACHOT FIGURES 108 (80/1 NOV 95) 91 GENOCIDE.

(2) IN MPANGA SECTOR, A MAN WAS ROBBED OF 164 000 RWF ON 5 NOV 95 BY NINE BANDITS OF WHICH TWO WERE UNIFORMED AND ARMED. THE SAME GANG ROBBED ANOTHER BUSINESS MAN OF 75 000 RWF ON THE SAME NIGHT. ONE CIVILIAN HAS BEEN APPREHENDED.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED KAYENZI (8389) COMMUNE, INCLUDING SECTORS KIRWA (8591), BUNYONGA (8184), NERANGA(8091) AND NYAMIREMBE (8187). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS TENSE DUE TO ARBITRARY ARRESTS. CACHOT FIGURES 233 (194/23 NOV 94). THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE 39 ARRESTS IN SIX DAYS TOOK PLACE DURING LAST WEEK-END WHEN THE IPJ IS NOT AVAILABLE. THE IPJ HAS REQUESTED TO MEET THE SECT CDR IN SECRET BECAUSE HE FEARS FOR HIS LIFE. ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO HAVE THE MEETING IN THE

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PRESENCE OF A HR OFFICER. ALSO, KAYENZI WILL BE ON THE VISIT LIST FOR THE HELIPATROL ON FRIDAY 1 DEC 95.

(4) IN THE CONTINUATION OF ARRESTS OF CATHOLICS, CARITAS REPRESENTATIVE IN BITARE SECTOR WAS ARRESTED ON 15 NOV 95 ON GENOCIDE CHARGES.

(5) THE THIRD TEAM WAS ASSIGNED TO A HUMANITARIAN TASK AND VISITED NYANZA AND HANIKA ORPHANAGES. AS OPPOSED TO WHAT WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED BY CIVPOL, SITUATION WAS DEEMED ACCEPTABLE.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE HEAD OF THE ICRC VISITED THIS HQ TODAY AND DEPICTED A VERY GRIM PICTURE OF THE HEALTH SITUATION DEVELOPING AT THE GITARAMA PRISON. SOME DOZER/DIGGING EQUIPMENT IS DRAMATICALLY REQUIRED BEHIND THE PRISON BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTIES WITH GARBAGE HOLES AND SCEPTIC TANKS. THE ICRC ASKS UNAMIR BECAUSE THEY EXPECT THAT THEIR REQUEST FOR THESE SERVICES TO GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES COULD TAKE UP TO TWO YEARS. GIVEN THAT MEDICAL OFFICERS HAVE NOW DIRECTLY LINKED A SURGE OF DISEASES TO THIS EXCAVATION PROBLEM, THIS URGENT SITUATION SHOULD BE TREATED ON A PRIORITY BASIS BY UNAMIR. INDBATT ENGR SHOULD LIAISE WITH THIS HQ ASAP.

B. 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046). A RECCEE THROUGH THIS HQ WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

C. SEE PARA 3.B.(5).

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1299 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. THE UNHCR REP IN GITARAMA HAS REPORTED THAT THE VISIT OF NTONGWE COMMUNE (9057) BY 12 REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI WENT SURPRISINGLY WELL YESTERDAY. MILOBS PRESENT OBSERVED, HOWEVER, THAT THEIR DESIRE OF RETURNING COULD HAVE BEEN MORE LINKED TO THE TOUGH SITUATION THEY ARE FACING IN BURUNDI THAN TO THE "WELCOMING ATMOSPHERE" THEY MIGHT HAVE FELT IN NTONGWE, ONE OF THE WORST COMMUNES IN

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GITARAMA FROM A SECURITY POINT OF VIEW.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, BEFORE PLANNING A RECOVERY OPERATION THROUGH 95 CMSG OF THE MASANGO CATERPILLAR, YOUR HQ IS REQUESTED TO APPROACH THE DFC TO ASK HIM WHAT IS THE END STATE THAT IS SOUGHT FOR THIS CATERPILLAR.

B. THE INCIDENT AT THE URUGUAYAN HOUSE YESTERDAY WILL BE FURTHER INVESTIGATED BY THE RPA BDE CDR. IN SHORT, THREE BRICKS WERE THROWN AT THE HOUSE WITH ENOUGH FORCE TO KILL A MAN. A CHASE ENSUED AND ONE OF THE MILOBS PHYSICALLY GRABBED A HOLD OF ONE OF THE CULPRITS (UNARMED RPA SOLDIER). THE MILOB COULD NOT INDEFINITELY KEEP THE SOLDIER IN HIS CUSTODY SINCE IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO CONTACT ANY RPA AUTHORITY. THE RPA BDE CDR HAS BEEN SEIZED WITH THE PROBLEM OF "PERMANENCE" AT THE RPA GARRISON.

C. THE "RURAL SHOOT" TELEPHONE SYSTEM IS NOT WORKING AND WE HAVE TRIED TO GET HELP FROM INDSIGS IN VAIN FOR TWO DAYS. IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO GET CONNECTIONS AND THE LINES ARE SO BAD THAT ONE HAS TO YELL TO BE UNDERSTOOD WITH UNBEARABLE BACKGROUND NOISE. ON TOP OF THIS, FAX COMMS ARE CONSTANTLY INTERRUPTED.

D. A REPLY IS REQUESTED ON THIS SECTOR'S REQUEST DATED 23 NOV 95 (IN DISCUSSION WITH DCMO) TO HAVE AN ARMED SECTION AT THE PETIT SEMINAIRE FOR THE TURBULENT DAYS OF A POSSIBLE WITHDRAWAL.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. IN MY DISCUSSION WITH THE RPA BDE CDR TODAY, I REALIZED TO WHAT EXTENT THE RPA MILITARY CHAIN OF COMMAND WAS WEAK, REGARDLESS OF THE PARTICULAR

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SITUATION THAT COL NDEGEYINKA IS FACING AS AN FRGF. HE HAS TWO OFFICERS UNDER HIS COMMAND WHO ARE EXCEPTIONS TO THE "UNITY OF COMMAND" PRINCIPLE WHICH IS THE BASIS OF ALL SUCCESSFUL MILITARY STRUCTURE. FIRSTLY, "HIS" POLITICAL COMMISSAR WHO ANSWERS TO KIGALI AUTHORITIES (NOT SPECIFIED IN THE CONVERSATION) AND, SECONDLY, HIS BDE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER WHO ALSO HAS A HAT OF "DMI OFFICER". IN THIS CAPACITY, THE LATTER DIRECTLY RECEIVES ORDERS FROM THE DMI FOR EXECUTION. DURING THE PATROL TO KAYENZI TODAY, IT WAS ACTUALLY FOUND OUT THAT THERE WAS A SERGEANT (A PARTICULARLY MEAN ONE), AT THE PLATOON LEVEL, WHO WAS A DMI OFFICER. COL NDEGEYINKA SAID THAT HE WAS TRYING TO CONVINCE HIS AUTHORITIES TO AT LEAST HAVE THESE ORDERS REACHING THESE OFFICERS THROUGH HIM. HE GAVE ME THE IMPRESSION THAT HE WAS NOT THE ONLY RPA BDE CDR WITH THIS PROBLEM AND THAT OTHERS HAD ALSO PROTESTED THIS SITUATION.



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LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
FORCE HQ KIGALI  
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)  
CO INDBATT

DATE: 28 NOV 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 267800 NOV TO 281800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE RPA CONDUCTED A CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION IN RUNDA COMMUNE (9882) IN AN AREA WHERE A LOT OF NGOS, MOSTLY RELIGIOUS ONES, ARE OPERATING. IT IS SUSPECTED THAT ANOTHER CATHOLIC BROTHER OR FATHER WOULD BE WANTED BY THE RPA. ANOTHER BROTHER, DIRECTOR OF A SCHOOL AT KABGAYI, WOULD HAVE RECENTLY FLED TO ITALY WHEN HE HEARD THAT THERE WERE SIMILAR THREATS TO HIS SECURITY. MORE TO FOLLOW.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR VISITED MILOB GP HQ TODAY TO DELIVER THE SECTOR FINAL REPORT AND TO LIAISE WITH SOME OF THE STAFF OFFICERS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MURAMA (6749) INCLUDING

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SECTORS JOMA (6452) AND NYABIYENGA (6544). COMMUNE MASANGO (6254) WAS ALSO VISITED INCLUDING RWESORO SECTOR (5454). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM BY BOTH BOURGMESTRES AND LOCALS IN ALL AREAS VISITED. LACK OF SEEDS AND FARM IMPLEMENTS WERE THE ONLY COMPLAINTS HEARD. MURAMA CACHOT FIGURES 340 (291/8 NOV) GENOCIDE 262.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNES MUSAMBIRA (8274) AND MUGINA (9267) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS A CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION THAT WAS REPORTED IN THE NEIGHBOUR COMMUNE RUNDA. MUSAMBIRA CACHOT FIGURES 210 (201-8 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 150. IT IS OF INTEREST (SEE YESTERDAY'S SECT CDR'S ASSESSMENT) THAT ONLY THREE OF THE 14 "MILD OFFENDERS" HAVE BEEN RELEASED FROM THE COMMUNE CACHOT. THE IPJ PROMISED THAT THE REMAINDERS WOULD BE FREED IN THE NEXT TWO DAYS.

(3) THE THIRD TEAM WAS ASSIGNED TO PROVIDE TRANSPORT TO GITARAMA SOUS-PREFETS TO NTONGWE COMMUNE (9057). THE SOUS-PREFETS WERE MEETING THE TWELVE REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI. THIS MOVE WAS COORDINATED BY THE UNHCR REP AT THIS HQ. FEEDBACK ABOUT THE "IN CAMERA" DISCUSSIONS THAT TOOK PLACE WILL BE OBTAINED FROM THE UNHCR REP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

(1) AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1299 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

(2) THE BOURGMESTRE OF MURAMA HAS REQUESTED TODAY THE TRANSPORTATION OF 150 DETAINEES FROM HIS COMMUNE CACHOT WHICH CURRENTLY HOLDS 340 DETAINEES. IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER HE HAS ALREADY RECEIVED THE AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER THESE DETAINEES TO THE GITARAMA PRISON. THIS COULD BE BAD NEWS IF MORE PRISONERS ARE BROUGHT INTO THE GITARAMA PRISON BEFORE THE TRANSFEREES ARE SENT TO THE NEW KIGALI FACILITIES. THE IDEA OF THE ENLARGED GITARAMA PRISON REACHING AGAIN THE SAME KIND OF PRISONER DENSITY IT ONCE HAD IS A NIGHTMARISH IDEA. THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED TOMORROW.

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6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. THE TEAM THAT VISITED MASANGO WAS ADVISED BY THE BOURGMESTRE THAT THE CATERPILLAR (D6) WHICH THE DFC WAS INQUIRING ABOUT BELONGS TO THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND IS HALF-SUBMERGED IN A POND. THE VEHICLE IS IN RWESORO SECTOR (5454). THE BOURGMESTRE DID NOT KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS CATERPILLAR. THE HYDRAULICS LOOK GOOD BUT THE ENGINE SEEMS IN VERY BAD SHAPE. BEFORE PLANNING A RECOVERY OPERATION THROUGH 95 CMSG, YOUR HQ IS REQUESTED TO APPROACH THE DFC TO ASK HIM WHAT IS THE END STATE THAT IS SOUGHT.

B. A MILOB HOUSE WITH THREE MILOBS IN IT (TWO URUGUAYANS AND AN AUSTRIAN) HAD STONES THROWN ON ITS ROOF AT 1840 HRS TODAY. CHILDREN WITNESSES SAY THAT RPA SOLDIERS DID IT. ONE MILOB HAS GONE OUTSIDE THE HOUSE TO INVESTIGATE. AN EMERGENCY MILOB TEAM HAS BEEN SENT OVER. THIS IS THE SAME HOUSE WHERE AN RPA SOLDIER HAD ATTEMPTED TO STEAL A UNIFORM. THE ROCK THROWING HAS STARTED AGAIN AT 1910 HRS. MORE TO FOLLOW.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. HR OFFICERS ARE REPORTING MORE AND MORE DIFFICULTIES IN DOING THEIR WORK AT THE GITARAMA PRISON. IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT THE LEVEL OF TENSION HAS HEIGHTENED IN THE PRISON AND I DO NOT EXPECT THINGS TO IMPROVE AS LONG AS THERE WILL BE A TEMPTATION FOR THE RPA TO "FILL UP" THE PRISON TO THE RIM.



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
FORCE HQ KIGALI  
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)  
CO INDBATT

DATE: 27 NOV 95

**SITREP COVERING**  
**PERIOD 261800 NOV TO 271800 NOV 95**

**1. SITUATION**

- A. GENERAL. CALM.  
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

**2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.  
B. MILITARY  
(1) RPA. NTR.  
(2) FRFG. NTR.  
(3) OTHERS. NTR.

**3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES**

A. SECTOR HQ. THIS HQ HAS BEEN BUSY COMPILING LAST INFORMATION FOR THE FINAL REPORT WHICH WAS DUE BY 1400 HRS TODAY. IT WILL BE SENT TO YOUR HQ DURING THE EVENING BY FAX AND A HARD COPY WILL BE SENT TOMORROW.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE TAMBWE (7653) INCLUDING SECTORS NYAMAGANA (7453), GITISI (7253), BUHORO (7558) AND TENYO (7454). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE BOURGMESTRE ADVISED THE TEAM THAT SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE NOT ABLE TO MEET THE 20 000 FRW WHICH IS DEMANDED BY GOVERNMENT FOR SCHOOL FEES.



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(2) THE TEAM LEARNT THAT A CORDON AND SEARCH WAS CARRIED OUT IN TAMBWE CENTRE ON 21 NOV 95 AND NETTED 26 PEOPLE WHO WERE LATTER SENT TO THEIR COMMUNES, NAMELY MUSHUBATI (6970) AND NYAMABUYE (7570). CACHOT FIGURES 189 (170/25-NOV-95) GENOCIDE 186.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NYABIKENKE COMMUNE (7292) INCLUDING SECTORS KABUYE (6886), WUKARAGATA (7081), KYUMBA (7093) AND NGOMA (7488). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. ALTHOUGH THE SITUATION IS CALM, ARBITRARY ARRESTS CONTINUE AS REVEALED BY THE IPJ. CACHOT FIGURES 124 (104/15 NOV-95) GENOCIDE 102.

**4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES** A TRUCK FROM INDBATT TRANSPORTED SCHOOL FURNITURE FROM GITARAMA TO MUSHUBATI (6970) COMMUNE.

**5. CIVIL AFFAIRS.** AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1299 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

**6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES.** NA.

**7. LOGISTICS.**

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

<b>8. MILOB STATE:</b>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

**9. MISCELLANEOUS.** THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE MILOB HQ DUTY OFFICER (CAPT DUNNE) TODAY CONCERNING A CATERPILLAR IN MASANGO COMMUNE WHICH NEEDED TO BE RECOVERED NEEDS MORE DETAILS. IT WAS THE DFC WHO REQUESTED THIS TASK AND HE SHOULD BE ASKED FOR MORE DETAILS SINCE THIS HQ IS NOT AWARE OF THIS CATERPILLAR SITUATION.

**10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT.** THE NEW TECHNIQUE FAVOURED BY THE RPA TO SCREEN THE POPULATION (PARA 3.B.(2)) IS A DIFFERENT KIND OF CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION. THE RPA IS NOT ACTING ON SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT THE PRESENCE OF WEAPONS

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OR FRGF ACTIVITY. INSTEAD, IT TARGETS A HIGHLY POPULATED AREA AND SCREENS EVERYONE FOR THEIR COMMUNE OF ORIGIN. IF THEY HAVE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE COUNSELLOR OF THE NEW SECTOR THEY LIVE IN, THEY ARE RETURNED TO THEIR COMMUNE OF ORIGIN. THE IDEA IS THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE SUSPECTED OF HIDING AWAY BECAUSE OF WHAT THEY MAY HAVE DONE DURING THE CIVIL WAR. IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS, SECTOR 1B HAS BEEN AT THE RECEIVING END OF THIS CATCHING OF "MILD OFFENDERS". AT THE PREFECTURE LEVEL, LAST WEEK, IT WAS NECESSARY TO PUT SOME OF THESE OFFENDERS (APPROXIMATELY 50) IN THE GITARAMA SPORT STADIUM BECAUSE OF THE OVERCROWDING OF THE GITARAMA PRISON AND NYAMABUYE (GITARAMA TOWN COMMUNE) CACHOT. THEY ALL ARRIVED FROM KIGALI TOWN. FOLLOWING THE PREFET'S REQUEST, MILOBS HAVE BEEN INVOLVED MOVING THESE PEOPLE TO COMMUNE OFFICES. IN MOST COMMUNES, THESE PEOPLE ARE TREATED AS PRISONERS AND ARE MARCHED STRAIGHT INTO THE COMMUNE CACHOT (WHICH ARE ALL BADLY OVERCROWDED). HR OFFICERS HAVE BEEN APPRISED OF THIS SITUATION AND ARE EVALUATING HOW THIS RELATES TO RWANDESE LAWS. MILOBS HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO INSURE THAT THE BOURGMESTRE AND IPJ ARE BRIEFED ON THE NATURE OF THEIR "OFFENSE" SO THAT THEIR CASE ARE PROMPTLY REVIEWED. IT IS INTERESTING THAT TAMBWE COMMUNE (RUHANGO SUB-PREFECTURE), WHICH IS THE SECOND MOST POPULATED AREA IN THE PREFECTURE, AFTER GITARAMA TOWN, HAS NOW BEEN TARGETED AT THE "PICKING UP" END. GITARAMA TOWN'S TURN MUST BE AROUND THE CORNER. IT COULD HAVE BEEN DELAYED BECAUSE THE CONNECTION TO THE OPENING OF THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE GITARAMA PRISON WOULD HAVE BEEN A LITTLE TOO OBVIOUS FOR COMFORT.



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ

DATE: 26 NOV 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)  
CO INDBATT

**SITREP COVERING**  
**PERIOD 251800 NOV TO 261800 NOV 95**

**1. SITUATION**

A. GENERAL. CALM.

B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

**2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES**

A. POLITICAL. A COPY OF THE LETTER WRITTEN BY "REPORTERS WITHOUT BORDERS" WHICH DENOUNCES THE THREATS TO MGR SIBOMANA'S LIFE HAS BEEN HANDED OVER TO UNAMIR G2 CELL TODAY. A COPY OF A SEPARATE REPORT ON A MEETING BETWEEN MGR SIBOMANA AND THE SECT CDR HAS ALSO BEEN HANDED OVER TO THE G2 CELL WITH A REQUEST THAT A COPY BE HANDED OVER TO MILOB HQ.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. NTR.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

**3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES**

A. SECTOR HQ. TODAY THE SECT CDR WENT TO KIGALI AND RETURNED AT 1600 HRS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUSHUBATI (6970) INCLUDING SECTORS REMERA (7171), KARAMA (6971), GATIKABISI (6672), GIKOMERO (6572) AND KADUHA (6269). IT REPORTED THE

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SITUATION AS CALM. HOWEVER, IN TWO SECTORS, FOUR PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED ON GENOCIDE CHARGES IN THE LAST FOUR DAYS.

(2) IN YET ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT, FOUR DRUNK RPA SOLDIERS BEAT SIX PEOPLE FOR AN UNKNOWN REASON ON 21 NOV 95.

(3) APART FROM THE USUAL LACKS OF FOOD, PESTICIDE, SEEDS AND FARM IMPLEMENTS, NO OTHER COMPLAINTS WERE RAISED IN THE AREAS VISITED.

(4) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED MUSAMBIRA COMMUNE (8274), INCLUDING SECTORS KAMBYEYI (8470, BIMOMWE(8171) AND NYAMIYAGO. THEY REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED MUGINA (9267) PARISH SISTERS AND HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. ONE TEAM WAS ASSIGNED TO PROVIDE TRANSPORT TO FOUR VACCINATION OFFICIALS TO MURAMA (6749), MASANGO (6254) AND TAMBWE (7653) COMMUNES.

B. A TRUCK FROM INDBATT WAS PROVIDED TO THE SALVATION ARMY FOR TRANSPORTATION OF LOGS IN KAYENZI COMMUNE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1287 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NOT APPLICABLE.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	19

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I HAVE FORWARDED A

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REQUEST TO HAVE SOME ARMED TROOPS IN GITARAMA TO DETER THIEVES FROM INVADING THIS COMPOUND. WITH THE END OF THE MANDATE LOOMING (I STILL THINK MILOBS WILL BE ASKED TO STAY), IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA TO POSITIVELY CONSIDER THIS KIND OF DEPLOYMENT.



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
FORCE HQ KIGALI  
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)  
CO INDBATT

DATE: 25 NOV 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 241800 NOV TO 251800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.  
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.  
B. MILITARY

(1) RPA.

(A) THE MILOB/HR JOINT PATROL WAS CARRIED OUT TODAY TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE THE ILLICIT PRISON IN THE TABA COMMUNE (8883). THE PATROL WAS ADVISED BY THE ACIST REP IN THE BUGOBA SECTOR THAT ON SOME OCCASIONS, THE RPA HOLD SUSPECTS IN A BUILDING BEFORE A TRANSFER TO THE COMMUNE CACHOT. THERE IS STILL A DOUBT ON THIS "HOLDING FACILITY" BECAUSE THE IPJ COULD NOT BE CONTACTED. IF THE IPJ IS NOT AWARE OF THIS TEMPORARY PRISON, IT IMPLIES THAT SOME DETAINEES WERE ARRESTED WITHOUT HIM KNOWING. MORE TO FOLLOW.

(B) IT MAY HAVE BEEN REPORTED BY SECT 5A, BUT THE IDEA OF OPENING AN RPA OFFICER ACADEMY IN A SECTOR NEAR THE PREFECTURE BORDER IS DEEMED A VERY GOOD NEWS.

(C) SEE PARA 3.B.(1).

(2) FRFG. THE INTER-SECTOR PATROL HAS REVEALED NUMEROUS FRGF ACTIVITY ON THE FRINGE OF THE GITARAMA PREFECTURE IN SECTOR 5A. THIS WAS AN "EYE OPENER" TO FURTHER

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INVESTIGATE THIS KIND OF ACTIVITY IN THE NORTHERN COMMUNES.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ.

(1) TODAY, THE SECT CDR WAS AT THE PUMPING STATION BRIDGE TO COORDINATE THE HELP THAT 95 CMSG PROVIDED TO ICRC IN THE LAYING DOWN OF THE STEEL BEAMS. THE TEAM SHOULD BE CONGRATULATED FOR AN OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE. THIS BRIDGE WILL MAKE A MAJOR IMPACT ON THE MAINTENANCE OF THE GITARAMA WATER NETWORK.

(2) THE SECT CDR CONTACTED MGR SIBOMANA WHO IS BACK IN THE COUNTRY. IT IS CONFIRMED THAT NEW THREATS HAVE BEEN MADE TO HIS LIFE. A SEPARATE REPORT WILL BE HAND DELIVERED TO UNAMIR HQ TOMORROW MORNING TO COVER THE DETAILS. HE NOW CONSTANTLY TRAVELS WITH SOMEONE AND NEVER GOES OUT AFTER 1730 HRS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE TAMBWE (7652) INCLUDING SECTORS MUNINI (7855), BUHORO (7558), TAMBWE (7956) AND TENYO (7459). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM ALTHOUGH A COUNSELLOR WAS ATTACKED AND ROBBED BY 10 "RPA SOLDIERS" (ACCORDING TO HIM) IN TENYO SECTOR LAST NIGHT AROUND 2100 HRS. IT IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT THE COUNSELLOR WAS DRINKING BEER AT HIS BAR WITH THREE MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL LDFs. THEY WERE GETTING READY TO GO ON PATROL. ON THEIR WAY TO THE COUNSELLOR'S HOUSE, THEY HEARD FOUR SHOTS. UPON ARRIVAL AT THE HOUSE, THEY WERE MET BY TEN "RPA SOLDIERS" WHO BEAT THE THREE LDFs (WE HAD PREVIOUSLY REPORTED A GROWING TENSION BETWEEN LDFs AND THE RPA IN SOME AREA) WHILE THE COUNSELLOR WAS TAKEN INTO THE HOUSE TO INDICATE THE LOCATION OF THE GOODS TO ROB. THEY STOLE MONEY AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS SUCH AS TV, VCR AND THREE RADIOS. THE COUNCILLOR IS A RICH HUTU MERCHANT AND HE HAS REPORTED THE CASE TO RADIO RWANDA AND CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES. IT IS ASSUMED THAT THE FOUR SHOTS WERE USED TO DESTROY LIGHTING OUTSIDE THE HOUSE. THE COUNCILLOR IS CONVINCED THAT THE THIEVES WERE

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RPA SOLDIERS BUT HE DID NOT RECOGNIZED THEM.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597) TO LEAD THE FIRST INTER-SECTOR PATROL. NUMEROUS INFORMATIONS WERE EXCHANGED AT THE CONTACT POINT WITH A PATROL FROM SECTOR 5A. THE CONTACT POINT WAS THE ILLICIT PRISON RECENTLY DISCOVERED. THE TROOPS THERE SAID THAT THEY WERE NOT FROM 31 RPA BN BUT FROM 11 RPA BN WHICH IS BASED IN GITARAMA. COMMENT: IT IS HARD TO ASSESS WHO THESE TROOPS ARE BECAUSE OF CONFLICTING INFORMATION RECEIVED. THE "ILLICIT" ASPECT OF THIS PRISON MAY HAVE MOTIVATED THE TROOPS TO INITIALLY GIVE WRONG INFORMATION WHEN THEY WERE "DISCOVERED". THEREFORE IT IS FELT THAT THE TROOPS ARE PROBABLY FROM 11 BN. THIS WILL BE CLARIFIED WHEN A MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN THE SECT CDR AND THE RPA BDE CDR (PROBABLY ON 27 NOV 95). THE LIAISON OFFICER HAS ALREADY BEEN APPRISED OF UNAMIR'S CONCERN OVER THIS DETENTION FACILITY.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. A TRUCK WAS PROVIDED BY INDBATT FOR THE MOVING OF THE MUSAMBIRA BOURGMESTRE'S HOUSEHOLD FROM GITARAMA TO HIS NEW COMMUNE.

B. A TRUCK FROM INDBATT WAS PROVIDED TO A SCHOOL IN MUSHUBATI COMMUNE (6970) FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOOL FURNITURE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1361 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES WILL BE SENT SEPARATELY TOMORROW AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
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9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THIS FIRST INTER-SECTOR PATROL WAS DEEMED A REAL SUCCESS. IT WAS FASCINATING TO HEAR THE DIFFERENCE THAT EXISTS BETWEEN THE TWO SECTORS. 5A'S POPULATION WAS DESCRIBED BY THE PATROL AS BEING QUITE CALM AND CONFIDENT, WITH VERY LITTLE BANDITRY ACTIVITY OR FEAR OF ARBITRARY ARREST. A FASCINATING EXPLANATION WAS GIVEN TO EXPLAIN THIS. FRGF ACTIVITY IS QUITE INTENSE IN THIS AREA AND OUR MILOB TEAM HAD THE IMPRESSION THAT THE RPA IN SECTOR 5A WAS TOO BUSY REACTING OR DETERRING FRGF ACTIVITY TO HARASS THE LOCAL POPULATION! THERE ARE REALLY ALWAYS TWO SIDE TO A COIN. WE INTEND TO PROCEED WITH MORE INTER-SECTORS PATROLS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION THROUGHOUT OUR SECTOR.



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COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ  
TO: MILOBS GP HQ  
FORCE HQ KIGALI  
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)  
CO INDBATT

DATE: 24 NOV 95

SITREP COVERING  
PERIOD 231800 NOV TO 241800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE MILOB/HR JOINT PATROL WHICH WAS SCHEDULED FOR TODAY TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE THE ILLICIT PRISON IN THE TABA COMMUNE (8883) DID NOT MATERIALIZE AS HR MEMBERS GOT COMMITTED WITH ANOTHER PRIORITY. THE ISSUE WILL BE FOLLOWED UP WHEN HR MEMBERS AVAILABLE.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ.

(1) TOMORROW THE SECT CDR WILL BE AT THE PUMPING STATION BRIDGE TO COORDINATE THE HELP THAT 95 CMSG WILL PROVIDE TO ICRC.

(2) ALSO, HE WILL ATTEMPT TO CONTACT MGR SIBOMANA WHO IS APPARENTLY BACK IN THE COUNTRY. IT APPEARS THAT "REPORTERS WITHOUT BORDERS" HAVE INFORMED HR OFFICERS THAT NEW THREATS HAVE BEEN MADE TO HIS LIFE.

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B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUKINGI (7160) INCLUDING SECTORS MUNORORO (7458), MAHEMBE (7160), ROGOGWE (6956), KAMUSENYI (7061) AND RUTABARA (6559). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 115 (106/17 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 95. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED BYIMANA CLINIC AND REPORTED THE CONDITION OF THE CLINIC SATISFACTORY IN TERMS OF DRUG RESUPPLY.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED RUTOBWE COMMUNE (7781) INCLUDING SECTORS CYEZA (7777), GIKO (7883) AND RUTONGA. IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 102 (103/14 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 86. THREE COMMON CRIME WERE RELEASED AND TWO MORE WERE ARRESTED LAST WEEK.

(3) THE TEAM WAS ADVISED THAT THERE ARE FIVE LDF AT THE COMMUNE AND ARE PAID 230 FRW A DAY.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THIS SECT RECEIVED 300 BLANKETS FROM AUSTRIAN RELIEF PROGRAM FOR DISTRIBUTION TO ORPHANS.

B. A TRUCK FROM INDBATT WAS PROVIDED TO THE SALVATION ARMY FOR TRANSPORTATION OF LOGS IN KAYENZI COMMUNE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1287 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
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8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
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9. MISCELLANEOUS. TOMORROW, AS PREVIOUSLY HINTED, THIS SECTOR WILL HAVE ITS FIRST INTER-SECTOR PATROL WITH RUHENGARI (5A). IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT THE RV POINT IS THE LOCATION OF THE NEWLY DISCOVERED ILLICIT PRISON AT THE BRIDGE.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I WAS SAD TO LEARN TODAY THAT THE HR TEAM WILL MOVE ITS HQ AWAY FROM OUR HQ. IT WILL MAKE COORDINATION A LITTLE HARDER BUT WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO PURSUE OUR GOOD COOPERATION.



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