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2. REGARDS.

B. RATION = 20 DAYS.

C. FUEL = 12 DAYS.

D. MOGAS = 12 DAYS.

E. JET FUEL = 50 DAYS.

9. CASUALTIES NSTR.

10. COMMENTS

A. INFILTRATION ACTIVITIES IN SECTORS 4 AND 5 ARE ON THE INCREASE. THIS WILL RESULT IN INCREASED RPA DEPLOYMENT, PATROLLING AND OTHER SECURITY MEASURES. REFUGEES INFLUX HAS REDUCED CONSIDERABLY.

B. THE LIQUIDATION OF UNAMIR HAS COMMENCED. GHANCOY, NICOY AND FORCE ENGR COY WILL BE REPATRIATED WITHIN NEXT SEVEN DAYS.

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1. PLEASE FIND ATTACHED THE WEEKLY SITREP COVERING THE PERIOD.
2. REGARDS.

FROM: UNAMIR, KIGALI.

WEEKLY SITREP COVERING PERIOD 13 FEB 96 TO 20 FEB 96.

1. HIGHLIGHTS. THE OVERALL MILITARY SITUATION IN RWANDA IS STABLE AND CONTINUES TO IMPROVE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. SECURITY ALONG THE BORDER AREAS REMAINS TENSE. RUSIZI BORDER POSTS AND UVIRA BORDER POST REMAINED CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC AND REFUGEES ON FOOT WITHOUT UNHCR ESCORT. THE ZAIRIAN /RWANDESE BORDER IN SECTOR 5 (GISENYI) REMAINS CLOSED TO RWANDAN NATIONALS AND UNAMIR PERSONNEL, ON THE ZAIRIAN SIDE. REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES CONTINUES.

2. DETAILS OF BORDER CROSSING: TOTAL INFLOW FOR THE WEEK 5378. TOTAL OUTFLOW NIL.

3. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.

A. SRSG, DCOS(OPS), MILOB SECTOR 5 CDR AND NICOY CDR ALONGWITH THE RWANDAN FOREIGN MINISTER WITNESSED THE HANDING OVER CEREMONY WHERE THE ZAIRE GOVT HANDED OVER CERTAIN WEAPONS AND EQPTS TAKEN BY FRGF DURING THEIR RETREAT TO ZAIRE, TO THE RWANDAN GOVT OFFICIALS ON 13 FEB 96 AT THE ZAIRE/RWANDAN BORDER IN GISENYI. THE FOLLOWING WEAPONS/EQPTS WERE HANDED OVER TO THE RWANDAN GOVT BY ZAIRE, WHICH WERE TRANSPORTED INTO RWANDA WITH UNAMIR ASSISTANCE :

(1)	BL TUBE 37MM	=	04
(2)	MI AA 14.5 MM	=	01
(3)	LR IO7MM	=	04
(4)	MOR 120MM	=	03
(5)	AMN 14.5	=	300
(6)	VBL	=	02
(7)	LYNX	=	02
(8)	AML 60	=	03
(9)	POSTE THOMPSON	=	02
(10)	OBUS 90 MM	=	15
(11)	OBUS 60 MM	=	42
(12)	CARTS 7.62 OTAN	=	529
(13)	CARTS 7.62MM	=	595
(14)	GAZELLE HEPTER	=	01
(15)	CANNON 122MM	=	02
(16)	HOW 105MM	=	02

B. ON 13 FEB 96, THE SRSG REVIEWED PLAN PRESENTED BY UNHCR TO ACCEPT LARGE NUMBER OF REFUGEES IN CASE THEY RETURN TO RWANDA FROM ZAIRIAN CAMPS. UNFORTUNATELY THERE WAS NO SIGNIFICANT RETURNEES DESPITE ENCIRCLEMENT OF ONE OF THE CAMPS BY ZAIRIAN FORCES.

C. ON 14 FEB 96, THE SRSG ATTENDED THE HEADS OF AGENCIES MEETING AT THE UNDP CONFERENCE ROOM AND DISCUSSED MATTERS

CONCERNING AGENCIES RELATIONSHIP WITH RADIO UNAMIR. HE THEN, BRIEFED THE MEMBERS ON THE CEREMONY THAT HE ATTENDED IN GISENYI WITH REGARDS TO THE HAND OVER OF THE RWANDAN ASSETS AND EQUIPMENT BY ZAIRE. THERE AFTER ARRANGEMENTS WITH REGARD TO THE RETURN OF REFUGEES WERE ALSO REVIEWED.

D. THE CHIEF OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA CALLED ON THE SRSG AND DISCUSSED SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE TRIBUNAL AFTER UNAMIR'S PHASE OUT.

E. PRESIDENT OF RWANDA VISITED BYUMBA PREFECTURE.

F. THE SRSG HELD A MEETING WITH MR. URASA OF THE UNHCR, AND REVIEWED DEVELOPMENTS WITH REGARD TO THE REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES. LATER, AMBASSADOR LEWIS, UNICEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR CALLED THE SRSG AND WAS BRIEFED ON THE POLITICAL SITUATION CONCERNING RWANDA.

G. RADIO RWANDA HAS LAUNCHED A CAMPAIGN TO INVESTIGATE THE PROBLEM OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO NEW CASELOAD REFUGEES WHICH HAVE BEEN OCCUPIED BY OTHER PEOPLE. THIS ISSUE HAS BEEN POINTED OUT AS ONE OF THE MAJOR PROBLEMS HINDERING THE RETURN OF REFUGEES.

H. RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT AS PER THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE TRIPARTITE MEETING BETWEEN UNHCR, BURUNDI AND RWANDA, ALL REFUGEE CAMPS IN BURUNDI ARE TO BE CLOSED WITH EFFECT FROM 15 FEB 96. CONSEQUENTLY AROUND 100,000 REFUGEES IN NGOZI ARE READY TO RETURN. AS SUCH THE CONCERNED INSTITUTIONS WERE LOOKING INTO THE MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION FOR REFUGEES. IT IS EXPECTED THAT FOUR CAMPS IN THAT AREA WOULD BE EMPTIED BETWEEN 5 - 10 DAYS.

4. MILITARY

A. RPA/GENDARMERIE

(1) ON 13 FEB 96, AN ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE FROM ONE OF THE RIFLES BEING HANDED OVER BY ZAIRE TO RWANDA WOUNDED A LOCAL DURING THE TRANSHIPMENT OF EQUIPMENTS, AFTER THE HANDING OVER CEREMONY AT THE GISENYI BORDER POST.

(2) IN SECTOR 5 (GISENYI), LOCALS REPORTED THAT ON 14 FEB 96, TWO RPA SOLDIERS AND THREE LOCALS STOLE SOME CATTLES AT NYABIRISI SECTOR OF KANAMA COMMUNE (GR 2712).

B. FRGF/MILITIA

(1) IN SECTOR 4 (CYANGUGU), AT KARANGERA (GR 9211) ON 08 FEB 96, A MAN WAS KILLED BY A GROUP OF GUNMEN BELIEVED TO BE FRGF. THE ASSASSINS WENT TO THE MAN'S HOUSE TO ROB HIM AND KILLED HIM IN THE PROCESS.

(2) IN SECTOR 5 (GISENYI), IN NTOBWE SECTOR (GR 5581), ONE LOCAL WAS TAKEN AWAY FROM HIS HOUSE AND MATCHETED TO DEATH BY UNIFORMED PERSONS AT NIGHT. ACTUAL DATE OF INCIDENT NOT KNOWN. INVESTIGATION BY LOCAL AUTHORITY AND RPA IN PROGRESS.

(3) IN SECTOR 5 (GISENYI), ON 13 FEB 96 ONE INFILTRATOR WAS SEEN IN KIBLIRA SECTOR (GR 6410). WHEN THE LOCALS APPROACHED HIM HE TOOK OUT A GRENADE INTENDING TO THROW IT. HOWEVER THE GRENADE EXPLODED IN HIS HAND KILLING HIM.

(4) IN SECTOR 5 (KIBUYE) SOUND OF FIRING WAS HEARD OFF THE SHORE OF KIVU AT ABOUT 0100 HRS ON 16 FEB 96, BODIES OF TWO SUSPECTED INFILTRATORS WERE SWEEPED ASHORE AND FOUND AROUND THE GUEST HOUSE POSSIBLY KILLED DURING THE EXCHANGE OF FIRE. HUMAN RIGHT WAS INFORMED.

C. OWN ACTIVITIES

(1) NORMAL DUTIES WERE PERFORMED.

(2) ON 13 FEB 96 THE ACTING FORCE COMMANDER HELD AN INTERVIEW WITH A JOURNALIST FROM THE FRENCH NEWSPAPER "LIBERATION" AND DISCUSSED THE OVERALL SECURITY SITUATION AND THE REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES.

(3) ON 14 FEB 96, THE ACTING FORCE COMMANDER VISITED KIBUNGO WHERE HE WAS BRIEFED BY THE SECTOR COMMANDER MILOBS AND LATER TAKEN TO THE TANZANIAN BORDER AT RUSOMO, THERE HE WAS BRIEFED ON THE PROCEDURE BEING FOLLOWED FOR RECEPTION OF RETURNEES.

(4) ON 14 FEB 96, GHANCOY TOOK OVER THE SECURITY DUTIES OF MAGERWA FROM MALAWICOY.

(5) ON 15 FEB 96, THE ACTING FORCE COMMANDER VISITED MILOBS SECTOR 5 AT GISENYI AND THE LOG BASE AT NYUNDO. HE ALSO MET UNHCR OFFICIALS AND DISCUSSED THE ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE FOR THE ANTICIPATED INCREASE IN THE INFILUX OF RETURNEES.

(6) MALAWI COY TOOK OVER THE SECURITY DUTIES OF MT KARONGI FROM FORCE SIG COY ON 14 FEB 96.

(7) MALAWI MILITARY DELEGATION LED BY MAJ GEN G H S P BINAULI ARRIVED ON THREE DAYS OFFICIAL VISIT, AT KIGALI ON 19 FEB 96.

D. OTHER SECTORS NSTR.

5. HUMANITARIAN

A. A TOTAL OF 25 VEHs WERE PROVIDED BY CONTINGENTS FOR TRANSPORTING VARIOUS ITEMS AS PART OF HUMANITARIAN TASKS DURING THE WEEK.

B. A TOTAL OF 460 REFUGEES ARE STILL AWAITING EVAC FROM RUYENZI CAMP. IN SECTOR 1 (KIBUNGO) ON 15 FEB 96, 368 RETURNEES WERE TRANSPORTED FROM NYAKARAMBI TRANSIT CAMP TO RUSUMO COMMUNE BY UNHCR LEAVING A BALANCE OF 380 IN THE CAMP.

C. A TOTAL OF 483 MEDICAL AND 66 DENTAL PATIENTS WERE TREATED THROUGHOUT RWANDA BY MED CENTRES IN VARIOUS SECTORS.

D. FORCE ENGINEER COY DEPLOYED ONE EXCAVATOR, DIGGER AND TWO DUMPERS FOR RPA IN KIGALI. ALSO PROVIDED A DOZER AND TWO DUMPER TRUCKS IN GISENYI FOR MILOBS AND UNHCR.

6. CIVILIAN AFFAIRS NTSR.

7. SECURITY AND SAFETY OF PERSONNEL

A. ON THE NIGHT OF 13 FEB 96, THIEVES BROKE INTO KIBUNGO MILOB GP HEADQUARTERS AND MADE AWAY WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) ONE COMPLETE COMPUTER WITH PRINTER AND UPS.
- (2) ONE REFRIGERATOR.
- (3) ONE 4.5 KW GENERATOR.
- (4) MOTOROLA RADIO GP 300.

THE THEFT WAS REPORTED TO RPA/GENDARMERIE AND INVESTIGATIONS ARE IN PROGRESS.

B. A LOCAL BROWN AND ROOTS EMPLOYEE WAS ARRESTED WHILE TRYING TO STEAL ONE DAF RADIATOR AND GEAR BOX IN GHAN-COY LOCATION. HE WAS HANDED OVER TO MILITARY POLICE FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

8. LOGISTICS ESSENTIAL FORCE STOCK LEVELS AS ON 19 FEB 96:

- A. WATER = 33 DAYS.
- B. RATION = 20 DAYS.
- C. FUEL = 16 DAYS.
- D. MOGAS = 22 DAYS.
- E. JET FUEL = 63 DAYS.

9. CASUALTIES NTR.

10. COMMENTS

A. INSURGENT ACTIVITIES IN SECTORS 4 AND 5 ARE ON THE INCREASE. THE EX-FAR IS MAKING ALL ATTEMPTS TO RE-ASSERT ITS INFLUENCE IN THESE PREDOMINANTLY HUTU POPULATED AREAS. THIS WILL RESULT IN INCREASED RPA DEPLOYMENT, PATROLLING AND OTHER CONTROL MEASURES. THE SITUATION IS BEING MONITORED CLOSELY.

B. THERE HAS BEEN AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF RETURNEES FROM BURUNDI DURING THE WEEK, POSSIBLY DUE TO PREVAILING SITUATION IN BURUNDI AS ALSO DUE TO THE VISIT BY RWANDAN AND UNHCR OFFICIALS. THERE HAS BEEN NO APPRECIABLE CHANGE IN THE NUMBER OF RETURNEES FROM ZAIRE AS WELL. NECESSARY COORDINATION HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT WITH UNHCR AND GOVT OF RWANDA TO MEET ANY SUCH CONTINGENCY.

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WEEKLY MILITARY COMPONENT PERSONNEL STATE

COUNTRY	TROOPS								MILOBS								
	CONT	STAFF	MILPOL	LEAVE	SIGCOY	MOVCON	ENGR	SICK	TOTAL	RWANDA	UGANDA	KENYA	UNHQ	LEAVE	SICK	TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL
AUSTRIA										1						1	1
ANGLADESH										1						1	1
ONGO										6				1		7	7
HANA	135	6	10						151	21				3		24	175
JINEA										14				1		15	15
JINEA-BISSAU										1						1	1
IDIA	540	6			90	15	202		853	20		1		1		22	875
ALAWI	84								84	6				2		8	92
IGERIA	134	4	10						148	13				2		15	163
USSIA										7				5		12	12
ENEGAL		1							1					1		2	3
RUGUAY										15				2		17	17
AMBIA		5	10						15	7		1				8	23
MBAMBWE										11				2		13	13
TOTAL	893	22	30		90	15	202		1252	124		2		20		148	1398

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2. REGARDS.

FROM; UNAMIR, KIGALI.

WEEKLY SITREP COVERING PERIOD 06 FEB 96 TO 12 FEB 96.

1. HIGHLIGHTS. THE OVERALL MILITARY SITUATION IN RWANDA IS STABLE AND CONTINUES TO IMPROVE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. SECURITY ALONG THE BORDER AREAS REMAINS TENSE. RUSIZI BORDER POSTS AND UVIRA BORDER POST REMAINED CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC AND REFUGEES ON FOOT WITHOUT UNHCR ESCORT. THE ZAIRIAN /RWANDESE BORDER IN SECTOR 5~~6~~ (GISENYI) REMAINS CLOSED TO RWANDAN NATIONALS AND UNAMIR PERSONNEL, ON THE ZAIRIAN SIDE. REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES CONTINUES.

2. DETAILS OF BORDER CROSSING: TOTAL INFLOW FOR THE WEEK 5482. TOTAL OUTFLOW NIL.

3. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.

A. ON 05 FEB 96 RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT HAS REITERATED ITS COMMITMENT TO HAVE ALL ITS NATIONALS BACK HOME. THE RADIO QUOTED UNHCR SOURCES IN BUJUMBURA CONFIRMING THE RETURN OF 4654 RWANDAN REFUGEES FROM NTAMBA REFUGEE CAMP IN BURUNDI. ANOTHER 6000 REFUGEES HAVE MOVED TOWARDS THE TANZANIAN BORDER AND WERE SETTLED IN A TRANSIT PLACE WAITING TO BE TRANSFERRED TO A NEW CAMP UNDER CONSTRUCTION. WITH REGARDS TO THE HOLDING OF INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON STABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREAT LAKE REGION, THE DEPUTY SPEAKER OF THE RWANDAN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, ACCORDING TO THE NEWS REPORT, REMARKED THAT THE PROPOSED CONFERENCE COULD NOT BE ANY DIFFERENT FROM BUJUMBURA AND NAIROBI CONFERENCES.

B. RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT THE CHIEF REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD OPERATION IN RWANDA, MR IAN MARTIN, IN HIS MEETING WITH RWANDAN PRESIDENT PASTEUR BIZIMUNGU ON 06 FEB 96, EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH REGARD TO THE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN RWANDA. HE STATED THAT HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATION THAT OCCURRED SO, IS BECAUSE OF WEAKNESS IN INSTITUTIONS THAT CANNOT ENSURE ADEQUATE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN RWANDA. HOWEVER SUCH VIOLATIONS ARE BROUGHT TO THE NOTICE OF RWANDAN GOVERNMENT AND IT HAS SHOWN WILLINGNESS TO TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO INVESTIGATE AND IDENTIFY WHAT COULD BE DONE TO IMPROVE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY.

C. IN AN INTERVIEW WITH RADIO RWANDA ON 07 FEB 96, PRESIDENT PASTEUR BIZIMUNGU APPEALED TO INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO MONITOR THE DELIVERY OF ARMS IN THE REFUGEE CAMPS WHICH COULD BE USED FOR ATTACK AGAINST RWANDA. HE ALSO CALLED FOR PUTTING PRESSURE UPON ZAIRE, SO THAT RWANDA COULD RECEIVE ITS REMAINING PROPERTY, BESIDES THE HANDING OVER OF TWO HELICOPTERS OUT OF NINE HELD BY ZAIRE. THE HANDING OVER

CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE ON 12 FEB 96. WITH REGARDS TO THE RETURN OF REFUGEES, PRESIDENT BIZIMUNGU SAID, THE RWANDAN OFFICIALS' VISITS, LIKE THE RECENT VISIT OF THE RWANDAN PRIME MINISTER TO TANZANIA, WERE MEANT TO GIVE REFUGEES ASSURANCE, SO THAT THEY CAN COME HOME, AND IF THEY DON'T, THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE AN EVIDENCE, THAT IT HAD DONE ITS UTMOST TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO COME BACK. HE INDICATED THAT THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT WAS IN THE PROCESS OF SEPARATING INTIMIDATORS FROM THE REST OF RWANDAN REFUGEES SO THAT THEY CAN FREELY RETURN HOME.

D. THE CHIEF PROSECUTORS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA ARRIVED IN KIGALI ON 12 FEB 96, AND HELD GENERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE SRSG WHO WENT TO SEEN HIM AT THE KIGALI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. LATER IN THE AFTERNOON THE SRSG HELD MEETINGS WITH MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY AND BRIEFED THEM ABOUT DEVELOPMENTS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE VERY RECENTLY.

E. RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 11 FEB 96 THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTERS FROM UGANDA, TANZANIA, BURUNDI AND RWANDA HELD A MEETING IN KIGALI WITH THE AIM TO FIND WAY TO REVITALIZE THE PROJECTS OF THE KAGERA BASIN ORGANIZATION (OBK). RWANDA OWES THE ORGANIZATION US \$227,000.00 AND IS THE FIRST COUNTRY WHICH HAS BEGUN SO FAR TO PAY ITS DEBTS.

4. MILITARY

A. RPA/GENDARMERIE

(1) IN SECTOR 4 (CYANGUGU), ON 27 JAN 96 AT BWEYEYE (GR 1410) RPA PATROL HAD AN ENCOUNTER WITH EX FAR ELEMENTS IN WHICH ONE CIVILIAN WAS KILLED AND TWO CIVILIANS WERE INJURED. THEY WERE PART OF RPA PATROL. DETAILS OF EX FAR CASULTIES NOT KNOWN.

(2) IN SECTOR 5 (GISENYI), THE LOCALS OF GIHORWE SECTOR IN MUTURA COMMUNE (GR 3123) COMPLAINED OF HARASSMENT BY THE RPA WITH REGARDS TO CURFEW AND THEIR SPEAKING TO MILOBS AND UN AGENCIES. A BUSINESSMAN WAS ALSO ARRESTED ON 01 FEB 96 IN KABATWA SECTOR (GR 3327) OF THE SAME COMMUNE.

(3) IN SECTOR 5 (GISENYI) ONE PERSON WAS KILLED BY RPA IN NYAKINAMA (GR 5827), WHEN HE REFUSED TO STOP AFTER BEING CHALLENGED DURING CURFEW HRS.

(4) THE RPA DEMINING TEAM HAS COMMENCED WORK IN KINGI (GR 5440) ALONG THE TRACKS AND FOOTPATHS AND WOULD SOON MOVE TO CYERU (GR 8935) AND BUTARO (GR 8144).

(5) THE LOCAL RPA CDR REPORTED THAT THERE WAS SECOND

ANTI PERS MINE INCIDENT ON 06 FEB 96, NEAR KINHIRA RESETTLEMENT CAMP (GR 2896). THE INCIDENT OCCURRED WHEN PEOPLE RUSHED TO HELP THE INJURED PERSON IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FIRST INCIDENT AT 0800 HRS. IN THIS A WOMAN LOST HER LEG AND A MAN WAS INJURED . THEY HAVE BEEN ADMITTED AT GISENYI HOSPITAL.

(6) IN SECTOR 5 (GISENYI) ON THE NIGHT OF 09 FEB 96, THE RPA OPENED FIRE ON DETAINEES WHO TRIED TO ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY AT THE RPA CAMP IN RUBAVU COMMUNE (GR 1812) KILLING TWO PERSONS. IT WAS ADDED THAT FOUR OF THE DETAINEES MANAGED TO ESCAPE.

(7) IN SECTOR 4 (CYANGUGU), FIRING IN THE DIRECTION OF THE LAKE KIVU WAS REPORTED ON 11 FEB 96 IN NYAMASHEKE. IT WAS GATHERED FROM GATARE COMMUNE (GR 1345) THAT RPA WAS ENGAGED IN FIRE EXCHANGE WITH FRGF ELEMENTS NEAR THE FOREST. THREE FRGF MEN WERE REPORTED KILLED AND ONE ARRESTED.

B. FRGF/MILITIA

(1) MILOBS SECTOR 4 CYANGUGU REPORTED THAT ON THE NIGHT OF 31 JAN 96, MEN SUSPECTED TO BE FRGF ATTACKED A HOUSE IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF BWEYEYE (GR 1410) STOLE SOME CATTLE AND KIDNAPPED A MAN TO BURUNDI.

(2) MILOBS SECTOR 5 (GISENYI) REPORTED THAT FOUR PERSONS KNOWN TO BE INFORMERS OF THE RPA WERE KILLED ON 04 FEB 96 BY APPROXIMATELY 20 BANDITS PRESUMABLY FRGF, SOME OF THEM ARMED WITH AK-47 RIFLES. IT WAS LEARNT THAT ONE OF THE VICTIMS INFORMED RPA OF THE ARMS CACHE AT NKUMBA (GR 6639) ON 09 JAN 96. ONE PERSON HAS BEEN ARRESTED SO FAR.

(3) IN SECTOR 1 (KIBUNGO) A THEFT OF RECEIVER ANTENNA AND SOME CABLE FROM RADIO UNAMIR WAS REPORTED ON 06 FEB 96.

(4) IN SECTOR 5 (GISENYI), IT WAS REPORTED THAT ON THE NIGHT OF 06 & 07 FEB 96 SOME ARMED PERSONS RAIDED TWO HOUSES IN GIHORWE SECTOR (GR 2635) IN MUTURA COMMUNE (GR 3123) AND MADE AWAY WITH MONEY AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS.

(5) IN SECTOR 5 (GISENYI) IN SATINSYI COMMUNE (GR 5800) THE ASST BURGOMASTER REPORTED THE DEATH OF AN UNKNOWN PERSON IN MATYAZO SECTOR [GR 5908]. HIS BODY WAS FOUND BY THE LOCALS ON THE ROAD SIDE OF THE SECTOR. HR INFORMED.

(6) IN CYBINGO COMMUNE, SECTOR NYUNDO (GR 6123) THREE FRGF MEN WERE KILLED BY LOCALS WITH MACHETES ON 08 FEB 96, THEY WERE REPORTED TO HAVE INDULGED IN STEALING FROM

THE LOCALS IN THE AREA. TWO PERSONS SUSTAINED MACHETE WOUNDS IN CYIBINGO COMMUNE ON 06 FEB 96. THERE IS UNCONFIRMED KILLING OF ONE RPA SOLDIER ON 07/08 FEB 96 BY INFILTRATORS IN CYBINGO. DETAILS BEING VERIFIED.

(7) IN SECTOR 1 (KIBUNGO) ABOUT A WEEK BACK, A LAND MINE BLEW OFF THE TYRES OF A TRUCK NEAR CYANKWANZI (GR 3556). NO HUMAN CASUALTIES REPORTED.

(8) ON 07 FEB 96 AT RURAMA SECTOR (GR 5006) GASEKE COMMUNE A MAN WAS SHOT DEAD BY SOME UNKNOWN PERSONS. SIX PERSONS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED IN THIS CONNECTION. HR INFORMED.

C. OWN ACTIVITIES

(1) NORMAL DUTIES WERE PERFORMED.

(2) ON 06 FEB 96, THE ACTING FORCE COMMANDER VISITED THE FORCE ENGINEER COY WHERE HE WAS BRIEFED ON THE VARIOUS RECONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE TASKS BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE COY THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. A BRIEFING AND DEMONSTRATION ON THE VARIOUS TYPES OF ENGINEER PLANT EQUIPMENT WAS ALSO CONDUCTED.

(3) ON 07 FEB 96, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND ACTING FORCE COMMANDER HELD A MEETING WITH THE AMBASSADOR OF FRANCE, MR JACQUES COURBIN, AND DISCUSSED THE OVERALL SECURITY SITUATION, REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES AND THE DISPOSAL OF ARMS AND AMMO HELD IN UN CUSTODY.

(4) THE ACTING FORCE COMMANDER MET WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE UNITED NATIONS DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS HEADED BY, MR M A DA'SILVA, AND DISCUSSED THE OVERALL SECURITY SITUATION.

(5) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND ACTING FORCE COMMANDER, HELD A MEETING WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND DISCUSSED THE ASSISTANCE TO BE PROVIDED BY UNAMIR FOR TRANSPORTATION OF MILITARY EQUIPMENTS BEING HANDED OVER TO RWANDA BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ZAIRE ON 12 FEB 96 AT GOMA - GISENYI BORDER.

(6) ON ~~12~~ 12 FEB 96, DCOS(OPS) VISITED GISENYI TO WITNESS THE HANDING OVER OF ARMS/EQPT BY ZAIRE TO RWANDA, ALONGWITH RWANDAN FOREIGN MINISTER. BUT CEREMONY WAS POSTPONED TO 13 FEB 96.

D. OTHER SECTORS NTR.

5. HUMANITARIAN

A. A TOTAL OF 30 VEHS WERE PROVIDED BY CONTINGENTS FOR TRANSPORTING VARIOUS ITEMS AS PART OF HUMANITARIAN TASKS DURING THE WEEK.

B. A TOTAL OF 472 REFUGEES ARE STILL AWAITING EVAC FROM RUYENZI CAMP.

C. A TOTAL OF 685 MEDICAL AND 62 DENTAL PATIENTS WERE TREATED THROUGHOUT RWANDA BY MED CENTRES IN VARIOUS SECTORS.

D. FORCE ENGR COY PROVIDED ONE EXCAVATOR CUM DIGGER AND TWO DUMPERS TO "BMS" FOR TRANSPORTATION OF LATERITE.

6. CIVILIAN AFFAIRS

A. IN SECTOR 2 (GITARAMA), IN NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597), A COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY TO INVESTIGATE ON GENOCIDE SUSPECTS WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN FORMED WITH THE IPJ AS CHAIRMAN AND BOURGEMESTRE AND RPA PLATOON CDR AS MEMBERS. THE COMMISSION IS YET TO START WITH ITS INVESTIGATIONS.

B. IN SECTOR 1 (KIBUNGO), HUMAN RIGHTS (KIBUNGO) REPORTED THAT A DEAD BODY HAS BEEN FOUND IN THE MUHAZI LAKE (GR 4696) ON 05 FEB 96. THIS IS SAID TO BE THE SECOND TIME IN THREE WEEKS THAT A BODY HAS BEEN FOUND IN THAT LAKE. GENDARMERIE HAS BEEN INFORMED AND INVESTIGATION IS IN PROGRESS.

7. SECURITY AND SAFETY OF PERSONNEL IN SECTOR 3 (BUTARE), THE HOUSE OF A HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICER WAS BURGLERD ON 07 FEB 96. A MUSIC SYSTEM AND OTHER HOUSE HOLD STUFF WERE TAKEN AWAY. MATTER REPORTED TO GENDARMERIE.

8. LOGISTICS ESSENTIAL FORCE STOCK LEVELS AS ON 12 FEB 96:

A. WATER	=	35	DAYS.
B. RATION	=	21	DAYS.
C. FUEL	=	21	DAYS.
D. MOGAS	=	23	DAYS.
E. JET FUEL	=	69	DAYS.

9. CASUALTIES NTR.

10. COMMENTS

A. INSURGENT ACTIVITIES IN SECTORS 4 AND 5 ARE ON THE INCREASE. THE EX-FAR IS MAKING ALL ATTEMPTS TO RE-ASSERT ITS

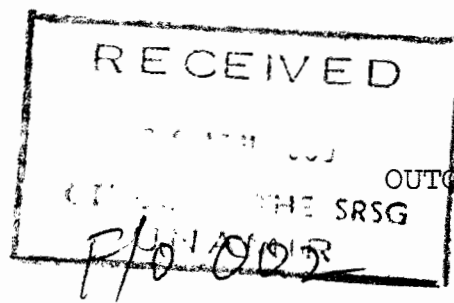
INFLUENCE IN THESE PREDOMINANTLY HUTU POPULATED AREAS. THIS WILL RESULT IN INCREASED RPA DEPLOYMENT, PATROLLING AND OTHER CONTROL MEASURES. THE SITUATION IS BEING MONITORED CLOSELY.

B. GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA HAS BEEN VERY VOCAL, DURING THE PAST ONE WEEK IN REAFFIRMING ITS COMMITMENT TO TAKE BACK ALL RWANDAN REFUGEES WHO ARE CAMPED IN BURUNDI, ZAIRE AND TANZANIA. HIGH LEVEL VISITS HAD TAKEN PLACE TO MEET AND CONVINCE THE REFUGEES IN TANZANIA AND BURUNDI, TO RETURN TO RWANDA.

DATE 12-FEB-1996

WEEKLY MILITARY COMPONENT PERSONNEL STATE

COUNTRY						TROOPS						MIL OBS						
SRL		CONT	STAFF	MILPOL	LEAVE	SIGCOY	MOVCON	ENGR	SICK	TOTAL	RWANDA	UGANDA	KENYA	UNHQ	LEAVE	SICK	TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL
1	AUSTRIA										1						1	1
2	BANGLADESH										1						1	1
3	CANADA		4							4								4
4	CONGO										3				4		7	7
5	GHANA	135	6	10						151	23				1		24	175
6	GUINEA										14				1		15	15
7	GUINEA-BISSAU										1						1	1
8	INDIA	540	6			90	15	202		853	21		1				22	875
9	MALAWI	84								84	6				2		8	92
10	NIGERIA	134	4	10						148	10				1		15	163
11	RUSSIA										12						12	12
12	SENEGAL		1							1	2						2	3
13	URUGUAY										13				4		17	17
14	ZAMBIA		5	10						15	7				1		8	23
15	ZIMBABWE										12				1		13	13
16	TOTAL	893	26	30		90	15	202		1256	130		1		15		146	1402



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WEEKLY SITREP COVERING PERIOD 26 DEC 95 TO 01 JAN 96.

1. HIGHLIGHTS. THE OVERALL MILITARY SITUATION IN RWANDA IS STABLE AND CONTINUES TO IMPROVE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. SECURITY ALONG THE BORDER AREAS REMAINS TENSE. RUSIZI BORDER POSTS AND UVIRA BORDER POST REMAINED CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC AND REFUGEES ON FOOT WITHOUT UNHCR ESCORT. THE ZAIRIAN /RWANDESE BORDER IN SECTOR 5B (GISENYI) REMAINS CLOSED TO RWANDAN NATIONALS AND UNAMIR PERSONNEL, ON THE ZAIRIAN SIDE. REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES CONTINUES.

A. DETAILS OF BORDER CROSSING:

(1) TOTAL INFLOW FOR THE WEEK 1292. TOTAL OUTFLOW 02.

2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.

A. ON 26 DEC 95, THE SRSG HELD A MEETING WITH MR. URASA OF UNHCR AND DISCUSSED PROSPECTS FOR THE RETURN OF REFUGEES AS WELL AS MATTERS IN REGARD TO THE TRIPARTITE COMMISSION MEETING IN GENEVA. ON THE SAME DAY, RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT IS LOOKING INTO THE POSSIBILITY OF ALLOWING THE AILING ITALIAN PRIEST CARLO ISAIA BELOMI TO PROCEED ABROAD FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT. FATHER BELOMI IS ACCUSED OF HAVING PARTICIPATED IN THE LAST YEAR'S GENOCIDE AND IS PRESENTLY UNDER HOUSE ARREST. THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT WISHED TO GET ASSURANCE FROM THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT THAT AFTER FATHER BELOMI'S MEDICAL TREATMENT, HE WOULD BE SENT BACK TO RWANDA TO FACE JUSTICE. THE RADIO ALSO REPORTED THE ARREST OF MR. NDAHIMANA, AN EX FAR CORPORAL FROM KAGUNGA SECTOR, WHO HAS BEEN ACCUSED OF LAYING MINES AND THEREBY CREATING INSECURITY IN THE AREA.

B. ON 27 DEC 95, THE SRSG ATTENDED HEADS OF AGENCIES MEETING AT THE UNDP CONFERENCE ROOM AND DISCUSSED COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS THAT THE AGENCIES ARE HAVING WITH THE GOVERNMENT. MATTERS CONCERNING THE FORTHCOMING ROUND-TABLE CONFERENCE WERE ALSO DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING. LATER, THE SRSG MET MR. IAN MARTIN, CHIEF OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OPERATION IN RWANDA TO DISCUSS THE HAND-OVER BY MILOBS TO HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORS AND THE SITUATION REGARDING ARRESTS AND DETENTIONS IN RWANDA.

C. ON 28 DEC 95, THE SRSG ATTENDED THE INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF THE BRIDGE CONSTRUCTED BY THE FORCE ENGR COY AT GASHORA. THE BRIDGE WAS INAUGURATED BY THE RWANDAN MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE MAIN THEME OF THE PUBLIC SPEECHES MADE ON THE OCCASION, CALLED FOR MEANINGFUL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND UNAMIR IN THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS CONCERNING

RWANDA. THE ROLE OF THE FORCE ENGR COMPONENT OF UNAMIR WAS PARTICULARLY APPRECIATED IN THIS REGARD.

D. ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA, THE SEMINAR ON DETENTION AND ARREST PROCEDURES THAT CONCLUDED ON 27 DEC 95 IN SAINT PAUL CENTRE, EMPHASIZED UPON THE NEED FOR COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE ARMY AND CIVIL JUDICIAL INSTITUTIONS. IT ALSO CALLED FOR SETTING UP OF THE COMMISSION FOR ASCERTAINING PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED BY SUCH PROCEDURES AS WELL AS DETERMINING THE GUILTY.

3. **MILITARY**

A. **RPA/GENDARMERIE**

(1) IN SECTOR 4 (CYANGUGU), ON 26 DEC 95, A HAND GRENADE WENT OFF ACCIDENTLY IN A VEHICLE CONVEYING THREE RPA SOLDIERS TO THEIR NEW LOCATION. ONE RPA SOLDIER AND THE CIVILIAN DRIVER SUSTAINED SERIOUS INJURIES WHILE THE OTHER TWO PASSENGERS SUSTAINED MINOR INJURIES.

(2) IN SECTOR 1B (GITARAMA), RPA CONDUCTED CORDON AND SEARCH IN GITARAMA ON NIGHT 27-28 DEC 95 AND ARRESTED SIX THIEVES SUSPECTED TO BE INVOLVED IN THE BREAK IN AT THE SECTOR HQ GITARAMA REPORTED EARLIER. APPROXIMATELY HALF THE STOLEN CURRENCY NOTES WERE RECOVERED FROM THEM.

(3) IN SECTOR 5A (RUHENGERI), THE IPJ OF NDUSU COMMUNE REPORTED THE ARREST OF A LOCAL OF MOZO SECTOR BY RPA ON 25 DEC 95 FOR HIS ALLEGED ROLE IN LAST YEAR'S GENOCIDE. ANOTHER LOCAL OF MUNARIRA SECTOR (GR 6025) WAS ARRESTED ON 26 DEC 95 ON CHARGES OF HARBORING AN FRGF INFILTRATOR.

(4) IN SECTOR 2B (KIBUNGO), RPA HAS ROTATED ITS TROOPS IN THE GENERAL AREA OF RUKUMBO GR 9466. THE STRENGTH SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN INCREASED FROM A PLATOON TO A COMPANY WITH ITS HQ HAVING MOVED FROM RUKUMBO TO PIMIERA GR 9360.

(5) IN SECTOR 5A (RUHENGERI), IT WAS CONFIRMED BY AN NGO THAT THE RPA HAVE STOPPED LOCALS INCLUDING TOURISTS FROM ENTERING THE FOREST TO SEE THE GORILLAS.

(6) IN SECTOR 1B (GITARAMA), RPA ARRESTED ONE PERSON IN TAMBWE SECTOR (GR 7956) ON 27 DEC 95 AND FOUR OTHERS IN BUMUOGOMBE SECTOR (GR 7365) ON 28 DEC 95, ALL ON CHARGES OF HAVING PARTICIPATED IN THE GENOCIDE.

(7) IN SECTOR 1A (KIGALI), AT 0105 HRS ON 01 JAN 96, AN RPA SECTION LED BY ONE CAPT JOSEPH ENTERED THE RESIDENCE OF THE GHANIAN MILOBS ACCUSING THEM OF HAVING OPENED FIRE

IN THE AIR. WHEN THE MILOBS DENIED HAVING FIRED ANY WEAPON, THE RPA DEMANDED THAT THE HOUSE BOY BE HANDED OVER FOR INTERROGATION. THE HOUSEBOY WAS THEN FORCEFULLY TAKEN AWAY BY THE RPA TO AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

B. FRGF/MILITIA

(1) IN SECTOR 4 (CYANGUGU), ON 26 DEC 95 AT ABOUT 1930 HRS, THREE DEAD BODIES WERE FOUND NEAR A BRIDGE AT RUSANBU GR 914306. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE BODIES WERE OF FRGF SOLDIERS THOUGH THIS COULD NOT BE CONFIRMED.

(2) IN SECTOR 5A (RUHENGIRI), THE BOURGMESTRE AND IPJ OF MOKINGO COMMUNE REPORTED THAT SEVERAL FRGF HAD INFILTRATED INTO THE AREA BORDERING THE COMMUNE. THE RPA CARRIED OUT A SPECIAL OPERATION IN THE FOREST AREA TO APPREHEND THE INFILTRATORS. ACCORDING TO RPA, NO ONE WAS ARRESTED. THE RPA BELIEVES THAT SOME OF THE INFILTRATORS ARE STILL WITHIN THE COMMUNE AREA.

(3) IN SECTOR 5B (GISENYI), ON 25 DEC 95, THERE WAS EXCHANGE OF FIRE BETWEEN SOME INFILTRATORS AND THE RPA. AFTER THE INCIDENT, TEN LOCALS WERE ARRESTED FROM GIHIRA SECTOR OF GICIYE COMMUNE. NO REASON WAS GIVEN FOR THE ARREST. INVESTIGATION IN PROGRESS.

(4) LOCALS OF BUYEYE (GR 1111), REPORTED SMALL ARMS FIRING IN THE FOREST AREA IN MILOBS SECTOR 5A ON 28 DEC 95. THE REPORT IS BEING INVESTIGATED.

(5) IN SECTOR 5C (KIBUYE), THERE WAS AN EXPLOSION AT "HOME SAINT JEAN" CHURCH (SITE OF ITR INVESTIGATION) ON 29 DEC 95 IN WHICH, A SMALL BOY SUFFERED FACIAL INJURIES AND HAD HIS LEFT HAND AMPUTATED. MILOBS INVESTIGATING.

(6) IN SECTOR 4 (CYANGUGU), ON 29 DEC 95 AT ABOUT 0030 HRS, THE NYAMASHEKE MEDICAL CENTRE WAS ATTACKED BY GUNMEN SUSPECTED TO BE FRGF MEMBERS. THREE GRENADES WERE LAUNCHED AT THE MEDICAL CENTRE. GRENADE SPLINTERS AND 15 EMPTY CASES OF 7.62MM ROUNDS WERE PICKED FROM THE SCENE OF INCIDENT. THE ROUNDS USED WERE NOT THE TYPE OF AMMO COMMONLY USED BY RPA. FROM THE GREN SPLINTERS, IT WAS EVIDENT THAT TWO TYPES OF GRENADES WERE USED THOUGH THEIR MAKE COULD NOT BE ASCERTAINED. NO CASUALTIES WERE RECORDED. THE WALLS AND WINDOWS OF THE CENTRE WERE HOWEVER DAMAGED.

(7) SECTOR 5B (GISENYI) - AT RUSIZA GR 3027, LOCALS REPORTED THAT ON 27 DEC 95, ONE RPA SOLDIER ON LEAVE FROM KIGALI WAS KILLED AND HIS BROTHER WOUNDED AT

APPROXIMATELY 2100 HRS BY SUSPECTED INTERHAMWE. IT WAS FURTHER REPORTED THAT THE TUTSI RETURNEES OF 59/60, ATTACKED THE LOCAL HUTUS ACCUSING THEM OF HARBORING INSURGENTS. ONE HUTU WAS KILLED AND FOUR WOUNDED IN THE ATTACK. IN THE SAME SECTOR, AT PARC VOLCANO BUTAKA GR 3229, LOCALS REPORTED A CLASH BETWEEN RPA AND FRGF ON THE NIGHT OF 28/29 DEC 95. INVESTIGATION IN PROGRESS.

(8) IN SECTOR 1B (GITARAMA), SIX ARMED BANDITS WERE REPORTED TO HAVE ATTACKED A LOCAL BUSINESSMAN ON NIGHT OF 23 DEC 95 IN NTENYO SECTOR (GR 7459). ONE OF THE BANDITS WAS SHOT DEAD BY THE BUSINESSMAN WHILE TWO OTHERS WERE KILLED BY AN RPA PATROL WHICH INTERCEPTED THEM WHILE FLEEING.

(9) IN SECTOR 5A (RUHengeri), ACCORDING TO THE RPA BN COMMANDER, THREE PERSONS WERE KILLED BY UNIDENTIFIED ARMED MEN IN NYAROTOVU (GR 7517) ON NIGHT 30/31 DEC 95. REPORT BEING INVESTIGATED.

(10) MILOBS SECTOR 1A (KIGALI) REPORTED THAT TWO PEOPLE WERE KILLED AT KIYOVU ON THE NIGHT 31 DEC 95/01 JAN 96. THE INCIDENT IS BEING INVESTIGATED.

(11) MILOBS SECTOR 4 (CYANGUGU) REPORTED AN MINE INCIDENT ON 31 DEC 95 IN RANGIRO SECTOR (GR 0634) IN WHICH, A RPA SOLDIER STEPPED ON A ANTI PERSONAL MINE AND LOST HIS LEFT LEG.

C. OWN ACTIVITIES

(1) NORMAL DUTIES WERE PERFORMED.

(2) ON 26 DEC 95, GHANCOY II DEPLOYED A PLATOON IN KIBUYE FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL EXPERTS WORKING IN THE AREA. ITR TEAM ON RETURN FROM KIGALI ON 01 JAN 96 WAS ADVISED TO MOVE TO "GOLF EDEN ROCK" HOTEL WHERE OWN TROOPS ARE ACCOMMODATED, TO FACILITATE SECURITY.

(3) ON 27 DEC 95, THE FC VISITED THE MILOBS IN SECTOR 5C AND THE GHANCOY II PLATOON DEPLOYED AT KIBUYE.

(4) ON 28 DEC 95, THE ACTING FC ATTENDED THE INAUGURATION OF THE BRIDGE AT GASHORA. HE ALSO HELD A MEETING WITH THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE OF UNHCR AND MR. IAN MARTIN, CHIEF OF HRFOR.

(5) ON 29 DEC 95, THE ACTING FORCE COMMANDER VISITED MILOBS AND FORMED TROOPS IN BUTARE AND GIKONGORO.

(6) IN SECTOR 5C (KIBUYE), INVESTIGATION ON THE EXPLOSION WHICH OCCURRED ON 29 DEC 95 REVEALED THAT THE SEVEN YEAR OLD BOY WAS PLAYING WITH SOME SORT OF A HAND GRENADE OR PART OF A LANDMINE WHEN THE EXPLOSION OCCURRED. A DET FROM THE FORCE ENGR COY SEARCHED THREE SELECTED MASSGRAVE SITES FOR SIMILAR EXPLOSIVES BUT FOUND THE SITES TO BE SAFE.

D. OTHER SECTORS NTR.

4. HUMANITARIAN

A. A TOTAL OF 47 VEHS WERE PROVIDED BY CONTINGENTS FOR TRANSPORTING VARIOUS ITEMS AS PART OF HUMANITARIAN TASKS DURING THE WEEK.

B. A TOTAL OF 185 REFUGEES ARE STILL AWAITING EVAC FROM NDERA CAMP.

C. A TOTAL OF 1616 MEDICAL AND 94 DENTAL PATIENTS WERE TREATED THROUGHOUT RWANDA BY MED CENTRES IN VARIOUS SECTORS.

D. NICOY ORGANISED END OF THE YEAR PARTY FOR 400 CHILDREN INCLUDING ORPHANS FROM NYUNDO SECTOR.

5. CIVILIAN AFFAIRS

A. MILOBS SECTOR 5A (RUHENGARI) REPORTED THAT 05 RETURNEES WHO CAME TO NYAMUGALI COMMUNE (GR 8522) ON THEIR OWN (DATE NOT KNOWN), HAVE BEEN DETAINED. THE BOURGMESTRE OF THE SAME COMMUNE ALSO INFORMED OF INCREASED INFILTRATION OF FRGF IN THE AREA AND REPORTED THAT A NUMBER OF THEM HAVE BEEN ARRESTED BY RPA LAST WEEK.

B. MILOBS SECTOR 5B (GISENYI) REPORTED THAT UNHCR IS PLANNING TO START THE REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES FROM MASISI (ZAIRE). THE REPATRIATION WILL BE CARRIED OUT FROM 27 TO 29 DEC 95 AND THEN FROM 03 TO 06 JAN 96 DEPENDING UPON THE SITUATION IN GOMA. A TOTAL OF 10,000 REFUGEES ARE EXPECTED TO BE BROUGHT IN.

C. IN SECTOR 2A (BYUMBA), UNHCR PERSONNEL ARE ANTICIPATING THE ARRIVAL OF APPROXIMATELY 25,000 RETURNEES IN THE SECOND WEEK OF JAN 96.

D. MILOBS SECTOR 1B (GITARAMA), REPORTED THE OUTBREAK OF MALARIA IN CUKIRO (GR 6066) AND GISEKE (GR 6564) SECTORS OF MUSHUBATI COMMUNE (GR 6970).

E. IN SECTOR 2A (BYUMBA), AT KIZIGURO HOSPITAL OF MURAMBI COMMUNE, MILOBS FOUND OUT THAT PATIENTS ARE NOW BEING ASKED TO PAY FOR THEIR TREATMENT. LOCALS COMPLAINED THAT THEY WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO MEET THE EXPENSES.

6. SECURITY AND SAFETY OF PERSONNEL NSTR.

7. LOGISTICS ESSENTIAL FORCE STOCK LEVELS AS ON 01 JAN 96:

A.	WATER	=	39	DAYS.
B.	RATION	=	16	DAYS.
C.	FUEL	=	14	DAYS.
D.	MOGAS	=	59	DAYS.
E.	JET FUEL	=	40	DAYS.

8. CASUALTIES NTR.

9. COMMENTS

A. HARASSMENT OF POPULACE AND CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATIONS CONTINUE IN MOST PREFECTURES IN RWANDA. THIS IS PROBABLY SO BECAUSE THE RPA'S APPREHENSION OF INCREASED ACTIVITIES BY FRGF/INTERHAMWE INSIDE RWANDA.

B. INSURGENT ACTIVITIES IN SECTORS 4 AND 5 ARE ON THE INCREASE. THE EX-FAR IS MAKING ALL ATTEMPTS TO RE-ASSERT ITS INFLUENCE IN THESE PREDOMINANTLY HUTU POPULATED AREAS. THIS WILL RESULT IN INCREASED RPA DEPLOYMENT, PATROLLING AND OTHER CONTROL MEASURES. THE SITUATION IS BEING MONITORED CLOSELY. THE EXPLOSION IN THE EXCAVATION SITE AT KIBUYE IS BEING INVESTIGATED. OWN ENGRS PROOFED THE AREA FOR MINES AND UXOs BEFORE THE TRIBUNAL'S WORK RECOMMENCED.

DATE:02-JAN-96

WEEKLY MILITARY COMPONENT PERSONNEL STATE

COUNTRY											TROOPS					MILOBS				
SRL		CONT	STAFF	MILPOL	LEAVE	SIGCOY	MOVCON	ENGR	SICK	TOTAL	RWANDA	UGANDA	KENYA	UNHQ	LEAVE	SICK	TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL		
1	AUSTRIA										10				2		12	12		
2	BANGLADESH										7						7	7		
3	CANADA	86	2		2					90	7				3		10	100		
4	CONGO										7						7	7		
5	GHANA	286	7	10						303	27						27	330		
6	GUINEA										15				2		17	17		
7	GUINEA-BISSAU										1						1	1		
8	INDIA	580	9		10	125	15	202	1	942	20		1		1		22	964		
9	JORDAN																			
10	MALAWI	130							2	132	11				3		14	146		
11	MALI	132								132	8				1		9	141		
12	NIGERIA	123	4	11	10					148	15				2		17	165		
13	PAKISTAN										5						5	5		
14	RUSSIA										14				1		15	15		
15	SENEGAL		1							1	2						2	3		
16	URUGUAY										11				9		20	20		
17	ZAMBIA		5	12						17	17				1		18	35		
18	ZIMBABWE										18				7		25	25		
19	TOTAL	1337	28	33	22	125	15	202	3	1765	195		1		32		228	1993		

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WEEKLY SITREP

18 - 24 MARCH, 1996

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

THE SRSG HELD A MEETING ON 18 MARCH, WITH MR. YONNNES MENGESHA, WFP ROME AND DISCUSSED WFP PROGRAMMES IN RWANDA, AS WELL AS, EFFECTS THESE PROGRAMME WOULD CARRY ON ACCOUNT OF THE DRAW DOWN OF UNAMIR. HE THEN MET WITH MR. CLAUDE DUSAIDI, POLITICAL ADVISER OF THE RWANDAN VICE-PRESIDENT AND MR. FRANK MUGAMBEGE, DIRECTOR OF CABINET IN THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND DISCUSSED NEW UN MANDATE, THE REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES AS WELL AS MATTERS PERTAINING TO UNAMIR/UNOR, RADIO SYSTEM.

THE SRSG HELD ANOTHER MEETING ON 19 MARCH, 1996, WITH MR. G. ANDERSON AND MR. L. JOHNSON OF THE ICTR AND DISCUSSED ADMINISTRATIVE AS WELL AS SECURITY MATTERS CONCERNING THE TRIBUNAL. ON THE SAME DAY THE SRSG ALSO PARTICIPATED IN A MEETING OF THE EUROPEAN UNION ALONG WITH M. HASEGAWA THE UN RESIDENT COORDINATOR AND REVIEWED SOME POST UNAMIR ARRANGEMENTS.

ON 20 MARCH, 1996, THE SRSG ATTENDED THE HEADS OF AGENCIES MEETING AT THE UNDP CONFERENCE ROOM AND HAD USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE AGENDA CONCERNING; SECRETARY GENERAL'S STATEMENT TO THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE UN SYSTEM, ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RESIDENT COORDINATOR ON OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM, UN CONTINGENCY PLAN AND THE ISSUE OF WHITE HELMETS AND MEDICAL FACILITIES. IN THE LATER PART OF THE DAY, MR. IAN MARTIN CALLED UPON THE SRSG AT HIS OFFICE AND DISCUSSED THE ISSUE OF FUTURE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN RWANDA, AS WELL AS STAFFING PROBLEMS CONCERNING HRFOR.

THE PRESIDENTS OF THE GREAT LAKES REGION STATES (RWANDA, BURUNDI, ZAIRE, TANZANIA AND UGANDA) HAD MET IN TUNIS, TO AGREE UPON AND IMPLEMENT POLITICAL AND SECURITY MEASURES WHICH WOULD FACILITATE MASSIVE REPATRIATION OF ALL REFUGEES. HOWEVER, RADIO RWANDA ON 17 MARCH, QUOTED PRESIDENT BIZIMUNGU AS HAVING SAID THAT THE SMOOTH REPATRIATION OF RWANDAN REFUGEES IS HINDERED BY, POLITICAL WILL OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF ASYLUM COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE FAILED TO CHECK INTIMIDATORS INSIDE REFUGEE CAMPS. IT FURTHER

REPORTED THAT, THE TANZANIAN MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MR. KIKWETE, WHO WAS IN THE MEETING SAID THAT THE INTIMIDATION AND THE MILITIAS' PROPAGANDA SPREAD INSIDE THE CAMPS ARE A REALITY. HE SAID THAT TANZANIA HAD IDENTIFIED ABOUT 150 INTIMIDATORS AND SERIOUS MEASURES WOULD BE TAKEN TO HANDLE THIS SITUATION.

A NUMBER OF EXPLOSION INCIDENTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN WESTERN PREFECTURES. TWO EXPLOSIONS OCCURRED IN BWAKIRA COMMUNE (KIBUYE), WHERE AN ELECTRIC PYLON WAS DAMAGED, A LAND-MINE WAS SET OFF IN CYANBIGO COMMUNE (GISENYI), KILLING THREE PERSONS, AND ANOTHER MINE WHICH INJURED THREE PERSONS WAS RECORDED IN KINIGI COMMUNE (RUHENGIERI). THE PERPETRATORS WERE NOT DISCOVERED. IN ADDITION TO THE EXPLOSIONS, SEVERAL INCURSION RELATED INCIDENTS/ATTACKS, INVOLVING LOSSES OF HUMAN LIFE HAVE ALSO BEEN RECORDED IN THE NORTHWEST. DURING A CONFRONTATION BETWEEN THE RPA AND A GROUP OF INFILTRATORS TWO PERSONS WERE KILLED. IN OTHER INCIDENTS, TWO COUNSELLORS WERE KILLED AND ONE HAS BEEN MISSING, AND 6 OTHER PERSONS, ALL CIVILIANS, HAVE BEEN KILLED. A COUNSELLOR AND HIS SON WERE KILLED IN KIVU COMMUNE (GIKONGORO), TOO. THE KILLERS WERE NOT CAPTURED.

A CABINET MEETING CHAIRED BY THE VICE-PRESIDENT AND MINISTER OF DEFENSE, MAJOR-GENERAL PAUL KAGAME, ON 19 MARCH, DISCUSSED, SECURITY INCIDENTS IN RUHENGIERI AND GISENYI PREFECTURES, THAT WERE CARRIED AGAINST HEADS OF SECTORS AND CELLULES BY INFILTRATORS WHO BENEFIT FROM POPULATION'S COVER. IT WAS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED THAT PEOPLE SHOULD BE MOBILISED TO COUNTER SUCH TENDENCIES.

ON 21 MARCH, 1996, RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT THE UN COMMISSION OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING THE ARMS FLOW IN THE GREAT LAKES REGION, HAS ESTABLISHED THAT AMMUNITION GRENADES AND GUNS WERE FLOWN FROM SEYCHELLES ISLANDS BY AIR ZAIRE TO GOMA, FOR SUPPLY TO EXFAR. THE REPORT, ACCORDING TO THE RADIO, HAS ALSO CONDEMNED ZAIRE FOR ITS LACK OF COOPERATION WITH THE COMMISSION.

RADIO RWANDA NEWS REPORT STATED ON 22 MARCH, 1996, THAT, THE DEPUTY CHIEF PROSECUTOR OF ICTR JUDGE RAKOTOMONANA HAS CALLED UPON THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO INCREASE ITS ASSISTANCE TO THE TRIBUNAL. AT PRESENT, THE TRIBUNAL HAS 28 INVESTIGATORS ONLY AGAINST THE REQUIREMENT OF A 100 AT LEAST. JUDGE RAKOTOMONANA

EXPRESSED HIS ANXIETY, DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE MORE THE INVESTIGATION IS DELAYED, THE MORE VAGUE THE WITNESSES' PROOFS BECOME. HE FURTHER STATED THAT COLONEL BAGOSORA WAS EXPECTED IN BELGIUM VERY SOON, WHERE HE WILL FACE JUSTICE ON THE KILLING OF TEN BELGIAN BLUE HELMETS WHO WERE SERVING WITH UNAMIR IN 1994. M. RAKOTOMANANA ALSO SAID THAT HE IS MEETING THE BELGIAN JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES IN BELGIUM, FOR EXCHANGING INFORMATION.

WEEKLY SITREP

11 - 17 MARCH, 1996

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

DURING THE WEEK UNDER REVIEW, UNAMIR'S PHASE-OUT AND FUTURE UN ROLE IN RWANDA HAVE BEEN IMPORTANT ISSUES THAT RECEIVED SERIOUS ATTENTION. THE SRSG HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE ON 12 MARCH AND SPOKE ABOUT THE MANDATE AND FUTURE COMPOSITION OF UN OFFICE IN RWANDA, THE PHASE OUT OF UNAMIR, THE RATIONALE BEHIND THE GRADUAL AND SUBSEQUENTLY, THE COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL OF UN MILITARY CONTINGENT FROM RWANDA AND LAST BUT NOT THE LEAST ON THE DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING THE REPATRIATION OF RWANDAN REFUGEES.

IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION, THE SRSG DISPELLED, THE FALSE IMPRESSION, ATTRIBUTED TO UNAMIR, THAT ITS PRESENCE WERE TO BE CONSIDERED AS A CRITICAL FACTOR IN THE REPATRIATION PROCESS. INSTEAD, EFFORTS TO PROMOTE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION, REHABILITATION OF THE JUSTICE SYSTEM AND CREATION OF FAVOURABLE CONDITIONS IN THE CAMPS ARE TO BE VIEWED AS CRUCIAL FACTORS FOR THE RETURN OF REFUGEES. HOWEVER, THE PRESENCE OF UNAMIR DID FACILITATE THE REPATRIATION PROCESS, THROUGH PROVISION OF TRANSPORT, DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING SITES AND TO SOME EXTENT GENERATED, A SENSE OF CONFIDENCE AMONGST THE RETURNEES.

THE SRSG STATED THAT, THE RWANDAN PERCEPTION, THAT PRESENCE OF UNAMIR DID SEND WRONG SIGNALS TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD, WITH REGARD TO THE GOVERNMENT'S ABILITY, TO MAINTAIN PEACE AND SECURITY IN RWANDA IS CORRECT TO SOME EXTENT. SECURITY AND STABILITY HAVE ALWAYS REMAINED THE SOLE CONCERN OF THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT, AND UNAMIR'S PRESENCE FACILITATED THE RECOVERY AND REHABILITATION OF RWANDA. THE SRSG EXPLAINED THAT THE OFFICE IN RWANDA (UNOR) WILL HELP IN THE REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES, HELP THE GOVERNMENT IN NATIONAL RECONCILIATION, SUPPORT THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM AND COORDINATE THE WORK OF UN AGENCIES IN RWANDA.

THE SRSG ALSO MET WITH THE RWANDAN PRIME MINISTER OF RWANDA ON 13 MARCH, AND THANKED FOR THE COOPERATION THAT RWANDA HAS EXTENDED WITH REGARD TO THE FULFILLMENT OF UNAMIR MANDATE.

HUMAN RIGHTS AND RECONSTRUCTION OF JUDICIAL SYSTEM IN RWANDA ARE TWO IMPORTANT ISSUES, WHERE UPON PROGRESSIVE IMPROVEMENTS IS SEEN WITH INTEREST BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. TO HAVE AN UPDATE ON THESE ISSUES, THE SRSG ATTENDED A MEETING AT THE UNDP CONFERENCE ROOM ON 14 MARCH 1996, AND NOTED THAT THERE HAS BEEN A POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT IN BOTH AREAS. BRIEFINGS ON THE JUDICIAL PROCESS ALSO COVERED THE PROGRESS MADE IN IMPROVING PRISON CONDITIONS IN RWANDA.

WITH REGARD TO THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA, RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 13 March 1996, THAT THE TRIBUNAL HAD REQUESTED THE SWISS GOVERNMENT TO EXTRADITE M. ALFRED MUSEMA, WHO IS ACCUSED OF HAVING MASTERMINDED THE KILLING OF 50,000 PEOPLE ON MOUNT BISESERO IN KIBUYE. SIMILARLY, BELGIUM GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO BEEN REQUESTED BY THE TRIBUNAL TO SUBMIT ALL INVESTIGATIONS RESULTS ON THE ROLE OF RADIO RTLM OWNERS IN CALLING PEOPLE FOR THE KILLINGS. IN A RELATED DEVELOPMENT THE RADIO FURTHER REPORTED THAT, A CABINET MEETING WAS CONVENED TO DISCUSS THE FUNCTIONING OF THE SPECIAL COURTS FOR THE 1994 GENOCIDE. THE MEETING CALLED UPON THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE TO DEVELOP PROJECTS THAT COULD FACILITATE THE JUDICIAL PROCESS IN THE COUNTRY.

RWANDAN GOVERNMENT HAS AGREED TO THE DEPLOYMENT OF INTERNATIONAL POLICE DETACHMENT IN RWANDA FOR THE PROTECTION OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA.

RWANDA AND BURUNDI ARE ACTIVELY WORKING TOGETHER ON IMPROVING SECURITY MEASURES ALONG BORDERS, AS WELL AS, FACILITATING THE REPATRIATION OF RWANDAN REFUGEES. RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 11 MARCH, 1996, THAT, THE RWANDAN MINISTER OF LABOUR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS, MR. PIE MUGABO, ACCOMPANIED BY THE BURUNDIAN AMBASSADOR TO RWANDA, MR. SALVATORE NTIHABOSE, VISITED A BURUNDIAN REFUGEE CAMP IN KIGEME, GIKONGORO, WITH THE AIM TO MOBILISE THE REFUGEES FOR VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION. ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA REPORT OF 17 MARCH 1996, APPROXIMATELY 20,000 REFUGEES RECENTLY RETURNED FROM BURUNDI WITHIN A PERIOD OF 2 WEEKS, AND WERE RESETTLED IN THEIR COMMUNES WITHOUT ANY PROBLEM.

SECURITY SITUATION IN THE SOUTHWEST HAS PACIFIED SINCE THE LAST WEEK, BUT ESCALATION OF INCIDENTS HAS BEEN RECORDED IN THE NORTHWEST. A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL WAS KILLED IN RUHENGARI AND TWO OTHERS WOUNDED IN GISENYI. (THESE INCIDENTS FOLLOW THE KILLING OF TWO LOCAL AUTHORITY OFFICIALS IN GIKONGORO, THE WEEK BEFORE). WFP GISENYI REPORTED ON THREE OTHER INCIDENTS INVOLVING LOSS OF HUMAN LIVES, BOTH IN GISENYI AND RUHENGARI. SECURITY SITUATION IN OTHER PREFECTURES OF RWANDA WAS REPORTED RELATIVELY CALM.

WEEKLY SITREP

4 - 10 MARCH, 1996

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

THE POLITICAL PERSPECTIVE OF THE WEEK UNDER REVIEW, HAD ITS FOCUS ON THE DRAW-DOWN AND CLOSURE OF UNAMIR. AN IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY IN THIS REGARD WAS HELD ON 8 MARCH AT AMAHORO HEADQUARTERS. THE RWANDAN FOREIGN MINISTER DR. ANATESE GASANA, PARTICIPATED ALONG WITH SEVERAL OTHER MINISTERS AND SENIOR OFFICERS OF HIS GOVERNMENT. AMBASSADORS OF DIFFERENT COUNTRIES AND MEDIA PERSONS ALSO ATTENDED THE CEREMONY.

THE SRSG IN HIS SPEECH STATED THAT, RWANDA HAS TRANSFORMED ITSELF FROM DEVASTATION TO REVIVAL, FROM DEGRADATION TO DIGNITY AND FROM TERROR TO SECURITY. HE FURTHER SAID THAT UNAMIR IS DEPARTING WITH A SENSE OF PRIDE AND SUCCESS. IN DOING SO, UNAMIR SHARES WITH RWANDA ITS HISTORY, ITS TRAGEDY AND ITS REVIVAL.

SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF RWANDAN GOVERNMENT, THE FOREIGN MINISTER THANKED UNAMIR FOR THE CONTRIBUTION IT HAD MADE TOWARDS THE REHABILITATION AND RECOVERY OF RWANDA AND IN PARTICULAR, STRESSED THE NEED FOR FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN RWANDA AND THE UNITED NATIONS.

THE RALLY FOR THE RETURN OF REFUGEES AND DEMOCRACY TO RWANDA (RDR) HAS DEPLORED THE WITHDRAWAL OF UNAMIR. THE RDR CHARGES THAT THE WITHDRAWAL IS ANOTHER MISTAKE WHICH WILL HAUNT THE UN IN THE FUTURE SIMILAR TO THE APRIL 1994 WITHDRAWAL. THE RDR FURTHER CHARGES THAT THE WITHDRAWAL WILL LEAVE HUTUS AT THE MERCY OF TUTSIS AND WILL DEFINITELY BE A DISINCENTIVE TO THE RETURN OF HUTUS.

THE SRSG MET WITH THE VISITING BURKINA FASO FOREIGN MINISTER AND THE CHAIRMAN OF OAU, ON 6 MARCH AND DISCUSSED THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUJUMBURA PLAN OF ACTION AS WELL AS DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING THE AFRICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE HELD IN ADDIS ABABA ON 29 FEBRUARY 1996. THE RWANDAN

GOVERNMENT SPECIFICALLY DISCUSSED WITH THE VISITING DIGNITARY, THE ISSUES OF REHABILITATION AND THE REPATRIATION OF RWANDAN REFUGEES. ASSISTANCE WAS SOUGHT IN THE SECTORS OF HEALTH, JUSTICE AND AGRICULTURE.

WITH THE DRAW-DOWN AND CLOSURE OF UNAMIR, SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS WITH REGARD TO THE PROTECTION OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA, WERE REVIEWED BY THE SRSG WHO HELD IMPORTANT MEETINGS ON THE SUBJECT WITH MR. ADEDE OF THE ICTR. THE OPERATIONS OF ICTR ARE GATHERING MOMENTUM AND AN APPEAL HAS BEEN MADE BY THE DEPUTY PROSECUTOR JUDGE HONORE RAKOTOMANANA TO THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT TO COOPERATE WITH THE TRIBUNAL ON PRODUCING CONCRETE EVIDENCE AGAINST THE SUSPECTED PERPETRATORS OF THE RWANDAN GENOCIDE. IN A RELATED DEVELOPMENT RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 10 MARCH, THAT COLONEL BAGOSORA, FORMER DIRECTOR OF CABINET IN THE PRESIDENT OFFICE HAS BEEN ARRESTED LAST SATURDAY, BY THE CAMEROON AUTHORITIES, AS A GENOCIDE SUSPECT. IT FURTHER REPORTED THAT THE BELGIUM GOVERNMENT HAD ISSUED ARREST WARRANTS FOR COL. BAGOSORA, ACCUSING HIM OF BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH OF TEN BELGIUM SOLDIERS WHO WERE SERVING - UNAMIR I.

THE SRSG HELD A MEETING ON 5 MARCH, ON REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT AND REHABILITATION AND DISCUSSED REQUISITE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ACCOMMODATING THE RETURNEES AFTER THE CLOSURE OF UNAMIR. MR. HASIGAWA THE RESIDENT COORDINATOR AND REPRESENTATIVES OF UNHCR, HRFOR, CISS ATTENDED THE AFORESAID MEETING ALONG WITH, UNAMIR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE ACTING FORCE COMMANDER. THE PARTICIPANTS FURTHER DISCUSSED SECURITY MATTERS, MEDICAL FACILITIES, AVAILABILITY OF FIXED WINGS AND COMMUNICATION ARRANGEMENT IN DETAIL. BESIDES, THE DISPOSAL OF UNAMIR EQUIPMENT WAS ALSO REVIEWED, AND AGENCIES REPRESENTATIVES REQUESTED TO RECONSIDER THEIR NEEDS AND INFORM UNAMIR ACCORDINGLY.

THE OVERALL SECURITY SITUATION IN RWANDA REMAINED RELATIVELY CALM. HOWEVER THE WESTERN PORTIONS OF RWANDA HAVE BEEN CHARACTERIZED BY INFILTRATIONS AND INSURGENT ACTIVITIES SINCE

JANUARY 96. THIS TREND IS MOST LIKELY TO CONTINUE WITH RENEWED VIGOR AND POSSIBLY SPREAD TO THE CENTRAL PORTIONS OF THE COUNTRY IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

AS REGARD THE REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES, THERE HAS BEEN A NOTICEABLE INCREASE IN RETURNEES FROM BURUNDI, PRIMARILY DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE REFUGEES ARE CONSTANTLY CAUGHT UP IN THE VIOLENCE BETWEEN BURUNDIAN ARMY AND HUTU MILITIAS. THE DEPLOYMENT OF ZAIRIAN TROOPS AT THE REFUGEE CAMP HAD VIRTUALLY NO EFFECT ON THE REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES. THE FIGURES FROM ZAIRE ARE LIKELY TO REMAIN LOW UNLESS REPATRIATION IS FORCED.

WEEKLY SITREP

26 FEBRUARY - 3 MARCH, 1996

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

THE AFRICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING WAS HELD IN ADDIS ABEBA, WITH EFFECT FROM 25 FEBRUARY 1996. VARIOUS PROBLEMS FACING THE AFRICAN CONTINENT WERE DISCUSSED. THE CONFERENCE ALSO EXAMINED SPECIFIC SOLUTIONS FOR RESOLVING POLITICAL PROBLEMS PEACEFULLY RATHER THAN BY USE OF FORCE. WAYS AND MEANS TO ERADICATE POVERTY WERE ALSO DELIBERATED UPON. IN A SIMILAR CONTEXT, THE SRSG PARTICIPATED IN THE MEETING JOINTLY HELD BY UNDP, UNHCR AND HRFOR REPRESENTATIVES ON 27 FEBRUARY, 1996 TO UNDERTAKE A REVIEW OF THE BUJUMBURA RECOMMENDATIONS. THESE RECOMMENDATIONS WERE ONE OF THE MAIN AGENDA ITEMS OF THE AFOREMENTIONED CONFERENCE ALSO ATTENDED BY THE SRSG.

ON 26 FEBRUARY, 1996, THE SRSG HELD A BREAKFAST MEETING WITH MR. GANNS FROM GERMANY AND DISCUSSED MATTERS PERTAINING TO DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FOR RWANDA. LATER, HE MET WITH NORWEGIAN REFUGEE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES, MESSRS. NORDBY AND SUNDVOLL AND HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH REGARD TO PROVISION OF NORMED MEDICAL FACILITIES IN POST UNAMIR PERIOD. FINALLY, THE SRSG HELD A MEETING WITH MR. BREUA OF ICTR AND DISCUSSED SECURITY ASPECTS FOR THE TRIBUNAL.

ON 27 FEBRUARY, 1996 THE SRSG HELD A MEETING OF SENIOR STAFF MEMBERS OF UNAMIR TO DISCUSS THE CIVILIAN AND MILITARY LIQUIDATION PROCESS THAT IS IN THE OFFING. LATER MR. KHERA ASIEL, PREFECT OF KIBUNGO, CALLED ON THE SRSG AND SOUGHT ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS OF GENOCIDE OF KIBUNGO AREA. THE SRSG PROMISED TO PROVIDE ALL NECESSARY HELP AND ASSISTANCE IN THIS REGARD. IN THE AFTERNOON, THE SRSG HAD A WORKING LUNCH WITH AMBASSADOR GANNS OF GERMANY AND DISCUSSED A NUMBER OF ISSUES RELATED TO FUTURE UN PRESENCE IN RWANDA. THE QUESTION OF SHOOTING AND ASSASSINATION OF SETH SENDASHONGA, FORMER MINISTER OF INTERIOR WAS ALSO DISCUSSED.

RWANDA UNITED NATIONS CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI, TANZANIA AND ZAIRE HAS BEEN RELEASED AND OUTLINES ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY UNHCR WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF UN AGENCIES, OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND NGOS IN SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA'S EFFORTS TO REPATRIATE THE RETURNEES FROM THE AFOREMENTIONED COUNTRIES.

ON 29 FEBRUARY, 1996, RADIO RWANDA VEHEMENTLY DENIED ALLEGATIONS WITH REGARD TO THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF THE FORMER INTERIOR MINISTER SETH SENDASHONGA, AS BEEN PLANNED BY THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT. THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION WAS CLARIFIED BY³ SAYING, THAT, THE ALLEGED ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT IS NOT AN EXCEPTION, AS SUCH INCIDENTS HAVE ALSO BEEN TAKING PLACE BY RWANDAN REFUGEES IN ZAIRE, WHERE MILITIAS, FORMER FAR AND GENOCIDAL POLITICIANS LIVE.

THE RADIO FURTHER REPORTED THAT EIGHT PROSECUTORS INCLUDING TWO GENERAL PROSECUTORS OF COURTS OF APPEAL OF KIGALI HAVE BEEN SWORN IN YESTERDAY SO AS TO UNDERTAKE GENOCIDE TRIALS IN AN APPROPRIATE MANNER. (IT MAY BE RECALLED THAT THE ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR OF KIGALI AS WELL AS THE PRESIDENT OF THE TRIBUNAL OF THE PREMIER INSTANCE HAVE BOTH BEEN SUSPENDED FROM THEIR POSTS AND HAVE YET TO BE INFORMED OFFICIALLY OF THEIR SUSPENSION OR REASONS FOR IT. THE TRIBUNAL OF THE PREMIER INSTANCE DEALS WITH CIVIL CASES MOSTLY PROPERTY DISPUTES. THE ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR MR. MUNYIAGISHALI IS UNDER HOUSE ARREST SINCE 23 FEBRUARY. HUMAN RIGHTS IS FOLLOWING THE MATTER VERY CLOSELY). IN A SIMILAR CONTEXT, RADIO RWANDA ALSO REPORTED, THAT, THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAS INDICATED ITS INTENTION TO REVISE ITS LAWS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, SO THAT RWANDAN GENOCIDE SUSPECTS WHO LIVE IN FRANCE COULD BE ARRESTED AND BE TRANSFERRED TO ARUSHA FOR TRIALS.

WEEKLY SITREP

19-25 FEBRUARY, 1996

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

THE SRSG MET WITH THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE OF UNDP ON 20/2/96 AND DISCUSSED VARIOUS ISSUES PERTAINING TO THE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 29 FEBRUARY BETWEEN RWANDAN GOVERNMENT AND UN AGENCIES. HE ALSO EXAMINED THE SITUATION WITH REGARD TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF UNAMIR EQUIPMENT TO AGENCIES AND TO THE GOVERNMENT. ON 21 FEBRUARY, HE MET WITH MR. GREENE OF THE IRISH FOREIGN MINISTRY AND EXCHANGED VIEWS ON BILATERAL ASSISTANCE TO RWANDA. THE SRSG ALSO CALLED UPON PRESIDENT PASTEUR BIZIMUNGU ON THE SAME DAY AND DISCUSSED FUTURE UN PRESENCE IN RWANDA.

THE AMBASSADORS OF FRANCE, BRITAIN AND CANADA MET WITH THE SRSG ON DIFFERENT OCCASIONS BETWEEN 21 AND 22 FEBRUARY AND TOOK STOCK OF THE OVERALL-SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY AND FUTURE UN PRESENCE IN RWANDA. THE VISITING BRITISH FOREIGN AND COMMON WEALTH DELEGATION ALSO HELD A MEETING WITH THE SRSG ON 26 FEBRUARY AND WAS BRIEFED WITH REGARD TO UNAMIR AND UN AGENCIES' OPERATIONS IN RWANDA.

THE WEEK UNDER REVIEW HAD WITNESSED AN ACCELERATED RETURN OF REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI, THOUGH, REPATRIATION FROM ZAIRE STILL REMAINED INSIGNIFICANT, DESPITE ENCIRCLING BY ZAIRE FORCES OF SOME OF THE REFUGEES CAMPS. THE SITUATION CALLED FOR FOLLOWING CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES, SIMILAR TO THOSE TAKEN IN FACILITATING REPATRIATION PROCESS IN BURUNDI AND TANZANIA. CONSEQUENTLY, NEGOTIATION ARE UNDER WAY TO SEEK PARTICIPATION OF RWANDAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN PERSUADING THE REFUGEES IN ZAIRE TO RETURN HOME.

RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 19 FEBRUARY THAT THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA INDICTED TWO PROMINENT RWANDAN PEOPLE ON CHARGES OF GENOCIDE AND CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY. THE TRIBUNAL HAS ALSO REQUESTED BELGIUM TO SEND OTHER PEOPLE ACCUSED OF SIMILAR OFFENSES TO BE DETAINED IN ARUSHA AWAITING CHARGES. NEVERTHELESS, IN ANOTHER NEWS REPORT OF 22 FEBRUARY, THE GOVERNMENT HAD EXPRESSED ITS DISSATISFACTION OVER THE DELAY IN THE

OPERATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA. THE RWANDAN MINISTER OF JUSTICE, MRS. MARTHE MUKAMURENZI, STATED THAT LACK OF EVIDENCE AGAINST THE SUSPECTS, AS VIEWED BY THE TRIBUNAL, DOES NOT HOLD GOOD, BECAUSE HER GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN PROVIDING ALL POSSIBLE EVIDENCE AGAINST THEM AND SHALL CONTINUE TO DO SO IN THE FUTURE.

ON 23 FEBRUARY, THE RADIO REPORTED THAT THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT WILL NOT HAVE POLITICAL NEGOTIATIONS WITH RDR AND RWANDA POUR TOUS AS DOING SO, WOULD TANTAMOUNT TO ACCEPTING THE LEGITIMACY OF THEIR LEADERSHIP. THE LEADERS OF THESE GROUPS BELONG TO MRND AND CDR, THE POLITICAL PARTIES WHICH PLANNED AND CARRIED OUT THE GENOCIDE. THE OFFER BY THESE GROUPS FOR DIALOGUE, RIGHTLY CONFIRMS THE GOVERNMENT'S APPREHENSIONS, THAT SUPPORT IS EXTENDED TO THEM BY SOME POWERFUL MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

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WEEKLY SITREP

12-18 FEBRUARY, 1996

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

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ON RETURN TO RWANDA FROM NEW YORK, THE SRSG HAD HELD SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH VISITING DIGNATORIES THAT INCLUDED JUDGE RICHARD GOLDSTONE, THE CHIEF PROSECUTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA, AMBASSADOR LEWIS, UNICEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. DURING THE PAST WEEK, HE ALSO GAVE BRIEFING TO THE HEADS OF UN AGENCIES WITH REGARD TO RADIO RWANDA, REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES AND TRANSFER OF RWANDAN ASSETS BY ZAIRE. ON 12 FEBRUARY MEMBER OF DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY WERE ALSO BRIEFED ABOUT DEVELOPMENTS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE VERY RECENTLY.

THE SRSG ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE CEREMONY AT GISENYI ON 13 FEBRUARY WITH REGARD TO THE HAND-OVER OF THE RWANDAN ASSETS AND EQUIPMENT BY ZAIRE. THE OPPORTUNITY WAS ALSO AVAILED TO SEE THE ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR RECEIVING REFUGEES FROM ZAIRE.

IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN THE WEEK UNDER REVIEW WITH REGARD TO THE RETURN OF REFUGEES. TO QUOTE RADIO RWANDA NEWS REPORT OF 15 FEBRUARY, THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TRIPARTITE MEETING BETWEEN UNHCR, BURUNDI AND RWANDA, CALLED FOR THE CLOSURE OF THE REFUGEES CAMPS IN BURUNDI WITH EFFECT FROM 15 FEBRUARY 1996. CONSEQUENTLY ARRANGEMENTS ARE IN HAND FOR TRANSPORTATION OF REFUGEES FROM THE FOUR CAMPS IN BURUNDI WITHIN WEEK TO TEN DAYS. FURTHER THE RADIO HAS LAUNCHED A CAMPAIGN TO INVESTIGATE THE PROBLEM OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO NEW CASE LOAD REFUGEES WHICH HAS BEEN OCCUPIED BY OTHER PEOPLE. THIS SEEMS TO BE ONE OF THE MAJOR PROBLEMS ~~HANDING~~ THE RETURN OF REFUGEES.

SIMILARLY AS A FOLLOW-UP TO ANOTHER TRIPARTITE COMMISSION MEETING IN GENEVA (BETWEEN UNHCR, GOVERNMENTS OF BURUNDI AND

RWANDA) UNHCR ANNOUNCED A BEGINNING OF A TARGETED VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION FROM ZAIRE. TWO CAMPS KASHUSHA AND KIBUMBA, ARE BEING TARGETED. THE OPERATION HAS BEGUN BUT UNFORTUNATELY HIGHTERTO NO SIGNIFICANT MOVEMENTS IN RWANDA HAVE BEEN REPORTED. NEVERTHELESS UNHCR EXPECTS A RETURN OF A LARGE PORTION OF THE CURRENTS 48000 REFUGEES IN KASHUSHA AND 180000 IN KIBUNBA IN THE COMING WEEKS.

IN THE SECTOR OF HOUSING, WFP HAS REPORTED THAT BUTARE PROJECTS ARE GOING ON QUITE WELL, WHERE AS PROJECTS IN KIBUNGO, KIBUYE AND NGAGATERE ARE SUFFERING FROM DELAYS. OTHER WFP ASSISTED HOUSING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN RWANDA ARE PROCEEDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLAN. WFP HAVE ALSO CONFIRMED THAT ITS STOCK AND PERSONNEL ARE SUFFICIENT AND READY TO COPE WITH THE EXPECTED LEVEL OF REPATRIATION OF RWANDAN REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI CAMP OF NTAMBA AND FROM BUKAVU AND GOMA CAMPS.

WITH REGARD TO THE ISSUE OF NGO'S, THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA IS CURRENTLY DOING EVALUATION EXERCISE OF ALL NGO'S OPERATING IN RWANDA. THE EVALUATION FINDINGS WILL HAVE EFFECT UPON THE NEW ANNUAL REGISTRATION OF NGO'S DURING MARCH.

WEEKLY SITREP

5-11 FEBRUARY, 1996

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA HAS BEEN VERY VOCAL, DURING THE PAST WEEK IN REAFFIRMING ITS COMMITMENT TO TAKE BACK ALL RWANDAN REFUGEES WHO ARE CAMPED IN BURUNDI, ZAIRE AND TANZANIA. HIGH LEVEL VISITS HAD TAKEN PLACE TO MEET AND CONVINCE THE REFUGEES IN TANZANIA AND BURUNDI, TO RETURN TO RWANDA. IN THIS CONNECTION, PRESIDENT BIZIMUNGU STATED, ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA NEWS REPORT OF 7 FEBRUARY, THAT, THE VISITS OF THE RWANDAN PRIME MINISTER TO RWANDA REFUGEE CAMPS, IN TANZANIA WERE MEANT TO GIVE ASSURANCE TO REFUGEES TO RETURN TO RWANDA. YET, IF THE REFUGEE DON'T COME, THE VISIT, NEVERTHELESS, WILL SERVE AS AN EVIDENCE THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS DONE ITS UTMOST TO ENCOURAGE REPATRIATION.

RADIO RWANDA IN ITS REPORT OF 5 FEBRUARY, QUOTED UNHCR SOURCES IN BUJUMBURA, CONFIRMING THE RETURN OF 4654 RWANDA REFUGEES TO RWANDA FROM NTAMBA REFUGEE CAMPS IN BURUNDI. ANOTHER 6000 HAD MOVED TOWARDS THE TANZANIAN BORDER AND WERE SETTLED IN A TRANSIT PLACE WAITING TO BE TRANSFERRED TO A NEW CAMP IN CONSTRUCTION. WITH REGARD TO ZAIRE, THE RADIO IN ITS NEWS OF 8 FEBRUARY REPORTED, THAT ZAIRIAN SOLDIERS AND INTERAHAMVE MILITIAS ARE CARRYING OUT VIOLENT ACTS AGAINST THE ZAIRIAN PEOPLE OF RWANDAN ORIGIN OF 1885-1958. CONSEQUENTLY OUT OF 300 RETURNEES THAT CROSSED THE BORDER, 2700 WERE OLD IMMIGRANTS OF 1885-1958 PERIOD. THIS SHOWS THAT RETURNING REFUGEES ARE MIXED WITH ZAIRIANS OF RWANDAN ORIGIN.

THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA AND ZAIRE ARE ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING THE RETURN OF RWANDAN ASSETS TAKEN IN 1994 TO ZAIRE. THE LATTER HAS AGREED TO HAND OVER TWO HELICOPTERS OUT OF NINE THAT ACCORDING TO RADIO REPORT OF 7 FEBRUARY WERE IN THE CUSTODY OF ZAIRE. PRESIDENT BIZIMUNGU HAS APPEALED TO THE

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY FOR PUTTING PRESSURE UPON ZAIRE, SO THAT RWANDA COULD RECEIVE ITS REMAINING ASSETS.

ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA REPORT OF 9 FEBRUARY, THE RWANDAN VICE-PRESIDENT AND MINISTER OF DEFENSE, MAJOR-GENERAL PAUL KAGAME, HAD STATED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA IS FACING FINANCIAL PROBLEMS AND LACK OF COOPERATION BY SOME COUNTRIES. THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM WHICH RECENTLY IS IN THE PROCESS OF RECONSTRUCTION IS THEREFORE LIKELY TO SUFFER BADLY. SIMILARLY THE NATIONAL COURTS ARE ALSO NOT FULLY FUNCTIONAL BECAUSE OF RESOURCE CONSTRAINTS THOUGH THE GOVERNMENT IS DOING ITS BEST TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM. IN A SIMILAR PERSPECTIVE, RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT WITH THE CLOSURE OF BUYUMBA PRISON, THE PROCESS OF JUSTICE IN THE PREFECTURE FACES MANY DIFFICULTIES. CRIMINAL SUSPECTS ARE DETAINED IN COMMUNAL LOCK-UPS AND POLICE STATIONS WHICH IS AGAINST THE LAW.

WEEKLY SITREP

5-11 FEBRUARY, 1996

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA HAS BEEN VERY VOCAL, DURING THE PAST WEEK IN REAFFIRMING ITS COMMITMENT TO TAKE BACK ALL RWANDAN REFUGEES WHO ARE CAMPED IN BURUNDI, ZAIRE AND TANZANIA. HIGH LEVEL VISITS HAD TAKEN PLACE TO MEET AND CONVINCE THE REFUGEES IN TANZANIA AND BURUNDI, TO RETURN TO RWANDA. IN THIS CONNECTION, PRESIDENT BIZIMUNGU STATED, ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA NEWS REPORT OF 7 FEBRUARY, THAT, THE VISITS OF THE RWANDAN PRIME MINISTER TO RWANDA REFUGEE CAMPS, IN TANZANIA WERE MEANT TO GIVE ASSURANCE TO REFUGEES TO RETURN TO RWANDA. YET, IF THE REFUGEE DON'T COME, THE VISIT, NEVERTHELESS, WILL SERVE AS AN EVIDENCE THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS DONE ITS UTMOST TO ENCOURAGE REPATRIATION.

RADIO RWANDA IN ITS REPORT OF 5 FEBRUARY, QUOTED UNHCR SOURCES IN BUJUMBURA, CONFIRMING THE RETURN OF 4654 RWANDA REFUGEES TO RWANDA FROM NTAMBA REFUGEE CAMPS IN BURUNDI. ANOTHER 6000 HAD MOVED TOWARDS THE TANZANIAN BORDER AND WERE SETTLED IN A TRANSIT PLACE WAITING TO BE TRANSFERRED TO A NEW CAMP IN CONSTRUCTION. WITH REGARD TO ZAIRE, THE RADIO IN ITS NEWS OF 8 FEBRUARY REPORTED, THAT ZAIRIAN SOLDIERS AND INTERAHAMVE MILITIAS ARE CARRYING OUT VIOLENT ACTS AGAINST THE ZAIRIAN PEOPLE OF RWANDAN ORIGIN OF 1885-1958. CONSEQUENTLY OUT OF 300 RETURNEES THAT CROSSED THE BORDER, 2700 WERE OLD IMMIGRANTS OF 1885-1958 PERIOD. THIS SHOWS THAT RETURNING REFUGEES ARE MIXED WITH ZAIRIANS OF RWANDAN ORIGIN.

THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA AND ZAIRE ARE ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING THE RETURN OF RWANDAN ASSETS TAKE IN 1994 TO ZAIRE. THE LATTER HAS AGREED TO HAND OVER TWO HELICOPTERS OUT OF NINE THAT ACCORDING TO RADIO REPORT OF 7 FEBRUARY WERE IN THE CUSTODY OF ZAIRE. PRESIDENT BIZIMUNGU HAS APPEALED TO THE

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY FOR PUTTING PRESSURE UPON ZAIRE, SO THAT RWANDA COULD RECEIVE ITS REMAINING ASSETS.

ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA REPORT OF 9 FEBRUARY, THE RWANDAN VICE-PRESIDENT AND MINISTER OF DEFENSE, MAJOR-GENERAL PAUL KAGAME, HAD STATED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA IS FACING FINANCIAL PROBLEMS AND LACK OF COOPERATION BY SOME COUNTRIES. THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM WHICH RECENTLY IS IN THE PROCESS OF RECONSTRUCTION IS THEREFORE LIKELY TO SUFFER BADLY. SIMILARLY THE NATIONAL COURTS ARE ALSO NOT FULLY FUNCTIONAL BECAUSE OF RESOURCE CONSTRAINTS THOUGH THE GOVERNMENT IS DOING ITS BEST TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM. IN A SIMILAR PERSPECTIVE, RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT WITH THE CLOSURE OF BUYUMBA PRISON, THE PROCESS OF JUSTICE IN THE PREFECTURE FACES MANY DIFFICULTIES. CRIMINAL SUSPECTS ARE DETAINED IN COMMUNAL LOCK-UPS AND POLICE STATIONS WHICH IS AGAINST THE LAW.

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29 JANUARY - 4 FEBRUARY 1996

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

THE HEADS OF AGENCIES MEETING HELD AT THE UNDP CONFERENCE ROOM ON 31 JANUARY, REVIEWED PROGRESS CONCERNING REFUGEE REPATRIATION AND DISCUSSED RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TRIPARTITE MEETINGS HELD IN THIS REGARD. IN A SIMILAR CONTEXT RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 1ST FEBRUARY THAT A DELEGATION CONSISTING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF UNHCR, THE GOVERNMENT OF BURUNDI AND THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA, VISITED REFUGEE CAMPS IN BURUNDI AND PERSUADED THE REFUGEES TO RETURN TO RWANDA. THEY WERE TOLD THAT THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM IN RWANDA WAS BEING RESTORED AND ONCE A REFUGEE IS REPATRIATED, HE CAN CLAIM HIS PROPERTY BY APPROACHING THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES INSTEAD OF GOING STRAIGHT TO THE ILLEGAL OCCUPANT. RADIO RWANDA ALSO REPORTED ON 2 FEBRUARY THAT THE NTAMBA REFUGEE CAMP IN BURUNDI MIGHT BE CLOSED WITHIN TWO DAYS. CONSEQUENTLY, OUT OF 8000 REFUGEES, IN THE CAMP, 2000 WERE TRANSPORTED BY UNHCR TRUCKS TO BUTARE, GIKONGORO, KIBUNGO AND TO KIGALI RURAL AREA.

THE PAST WEEK HAD WITNESSED SECURITY INCIDENTS ESPECIALLY IN RUHENGERI, KIBUYE AND CYANGUGU PREFECTURES. IN RUHENGERI, THE COMMUNES OF NYAKINAMA, NYAMUTERA AND CYABINGO (BORDERING RUHENGERI TOWN ON THE SOUTHSIDE) HAD A 6 PM TO 6 AM CURFEW IN EFFECT; AS THESE AREAS ARE SUSPECTED TO BE HIDEOUTS FOR INFILTRATORS. INFILTRATORS ARE ALSO BEING REPORTED ON A REGULAR BASIS IN THE CYANGUGU AREA, PARTICULARLY THE NYUNGWE FOREST. IN KIBUYE THE RPA KILLED 10 INFILTRATORS COMING FROM IJWE ISLAND.

GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA EXPRESSED ITS DEEP CONCERN OVER THE STATEMENT ATTRIBUTED TO UN SECRETARY GENERAL, THAT THE COMMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING THE ILLEGAL ARMS TRAFFIC IN THE GREAT LAKES REGION IS TO BE DISBANDED. WHILE COMMENTING ON THE STATEMENT, RADIO RWANDA QUOTED, MR. DUSAIDI, THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S, POLITICAL ADVISOR, AS HAVING SAID THAT, MILITIAS FROM BURUNDI AND RWANDA BASED IN ZAIRE ARE READY TO ATTACK RWANDA. IN SUCH AN EVENTUALITY, THE ADVISOR STATED THAT IF THE COMMISSION IS DISBANDED, THERE WOULD BE NO WAY TO KNOW IF THE BLUE HELMET WILL COME IN ZAIRE IN ORDER TO INTERVENE IN BURUNDI WHEN NECESSARY, AS PROPOSED BY THE UN SECRETARY-GENERAL, WILL NOT BRING ARMS TO THOSE MILITIAS AND EX-FAR, OR IF ARMS WILL NOT KEEP ON FLOWING BY OTHER MEANS.

HE FURTHER ADDED THAT HE FINDS IT WISE TO ENFORCE AND EQUIP THE COMMISSION SO IT CAN ACHIEVE ITS GOALS RATHER THAN DISBAND IT. HE CONCLUDED THAT, IF NECESSARY, THE UN WOULD HAVE TO TAKE SOME FORMAL SANCTIONS OR FORCEFUL MEASURES TO FORCE ZAIRE TO COMPLY WITH ITS RESOLUTIONS, SINCE THE REPORT SHOWS FURTHER THAT THE TRAINING OF FORMER FAR IS STILL GOING ON.

RADIO RWANDA ALSO REPORTED ON 30 JANUARY THAT, THE UNITED NATIONS IS TRYING TO FIND A REPLACEMENT FOR THE CHIEF PROSECUTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA, JUDGE RICHARD GOLDSTONE WHO HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO HEAD THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT IN HIS COUNTRY SOUTH AFRICA. IT STATED, THAT THE REPLACEMENT WOULD NOT COME FROM ANY AFRICAN COUNTRY NOR FROM FRANCE OR BELGIUM, BECAUSE RWANDA WOULD NOT AGREE. THE RADIO ALSO QUOTED RELIABLE SOURCES, AS HAVING INDICATED THAT THE REPLACEMENT FOR JUDGE GOLDSTONE WOULD COME FROM CANADA.

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22-28 JANUARY, 1996

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

FORMER MALIAN PRESIDENT GENERAL AMADOU TOUMANI TOURE VISITED RWANDA BETWEEN 21-23 JANUARY 1996 AND DISCUSSED WITH COLLEAGUES THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CAIRO SUMMIT RESOLUTIONS. HE STATED THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CAIRO SUMMIT WERE IMPORTANT AND MEDIATORS HAD THE ROLE OF ASSURING ITS FOLLOW-UP.

RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT THE MINISTER FOR REHABILITATION AND SOCIAL INTEGRATION MR. PATRICK MAZIMPAKA HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE ON WEDNESDAY, 24 JANUARY 1996 IN WHICH HE REAFFIRMED HIS GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENT TO WELCOME ALL REFUGEES BACK HOME UNCONDITIONALLY. HE SAID, RWANDA APPEALS TO ALL AGENCIES, ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENTS TO EXERCISE REASONABLE INFLUENCE IN FACILITATING THE RETURN OF RWANDESE REFUGEES NOW IN EXILE IN NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES. THE MINISTER STATED THAT SINCE 1994 RWANDA HAS RECEIVED 130,000 REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI INCLUDING 10,000 THAT RETURNED IN THE MONTHS OF DECEMBER AND JANUARY. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE NECESSARY MECHANISMS HAVE BEEN ACTIVATED TO TAKE ALL THE REFUGEES IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CLOSURE OF NTAMBA CAMP. FURTHER, THE GOVERNMENT IS DESPATCHING A HIGH-RANKING DELEGATION TO BUJUMBURA ON THE 28 OF THIS MONTH TO HOLD DISCUSSIONS WITH THE BURUNDIAN GOVERNMENT AND UNHCR ON WAYS OF ENHANCING A QUICK RETURN OF ALL REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI.

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IN AN INTERVIEW WITH RADIO UNAMIR ON 25 JANUARY 1996 THE RWANDAN MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DR. ANASTASE GASANA TOOK STRONG EXCEPTION TO THE REMARKS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL CONCERNING RWANDA. HE STATED THAT THE POLICY OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION IS BEING DULY FOLLOWED AND FAIRLY EVIDENT BY WAY OF INTEGRATION OF 4,000 SOLDIERS AND OFFICERS OF THE ex-RGF, RECEPTION WITHOUT PROBLEMS OF 15,000 REFUGEES EXPELLED FROM ZAIRE LAST YEAR. AS TO THE RETURN OF REFUGEES, THE PROBLEMS BEING CREATED THROUGH MANIPULATION BY INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL FACTORS BY THE FORMER LEADERS OF THE COUNTRY, THE MILITIA, THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GENOCIDE.

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POLITICAL ACTIVITY

Week from 15th to 21st January 1996

1. From the viewpoint of international relations, the week was marked by the visits to Rwanda of the US Ambassador to the United Nations, Ms. Madeleine Albright, of H.E. General Touré, former President of Mali and one of the facilitators of the process set in motion by the Cairo Conference, and by the visit to various European capital-cities of H.E. the Prime Minister, Mr. Pierre Célestin Rwigema. During her visit, Ambassador Albright, who is touring several African countries particularly affected by recent conflicts, assured H.E. the President and H.E. the Vice-President of the continuing support of the United States in the process of seeking peace, justice and economic development for Rwanda. H.E. General Touré is currently visiting Rwanda and Tanzania, Uganda, Burundi and Zaire in his capacity as facilitator of the Carter initiative and in order to follow-up on the implementation of the commitments undertaken by Heads of State of the sub-region at the Cairo Conference. The efforts of the facilitators are also geared towards seeking consensus for the possible convening of a wider regional conference to tackle problems common to all countries concerned. H.E. the Prime Minister continues his visit to various European countries in order to better the understanding of the problems currently facing Rwanda and secure additional funding and disbursement of funds already pledged for the reconstruction of Rwanda.

2. Regarding adoption of new legislation, the National Assembly amended the Rwandan Constitution so as to incorporate to it certain provisions of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights which, taking into consideration the exceptional circumstances Rwanda has gone through, would allow to adopt legislation on criminal procedure which will retroactively regularize the arrests of those suspected of crimes related to the genocide and to try these suspects for genocide, although the Rwandan Criminal Code does not contemplate such crime. Additionally, modifications were introduced so as to allow military courts to try civilians for crimes committed jointly with military personnel. During the course of the same session, the National Assembly decided also to add English as an official language in Rwanda. Kinyarwanda remains the national language, with French and English both as official languages.

3. It was reported that the MDR has published a communiqué on 13 January allowing in effect former Prime Minister Twagiramungu to reintegrate the MDR, after he had been expelled from the party through a communiqué dated 21 November. It may be noted that, since his departure, Mr. Twagiramungu has held a very critical stance against the RPA.

4. A seminar on the Culture for Peace, organized by the Ministry of Education with support from UNESCO, was held in Kigali. The results of this seminar were to recognize that the accent has to be put on the setting up of a healthy justice system and consistent programs for peace education in Rwanda.

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**POLITICAL ACTIVITY
25 - 31 DECEMBER 1995**

THE SRSG HELD A MEETING ON 26 DECEMBER WITH MR. W.R. URASA OF UNHCR AND DISCUSSED THE PROSPECTS FOR THE RETURN OF REFUGEES AS WELL AS MATTERS IN REGARD TO THE TRIPARTITE COMMISSION MEETING IN GENEVA.

THE SRSG ATTENDED HEADS OF AGENCIES MEETING AT THE UNDP CONFERENCE ROOM ON 27 DECEMBER AND DISCUSSED COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS THAT THE AGENCIES ARE HAVING WITH THE GOVERNMENT. MATTERS CONCERNING THE FORTHCOMING ROUND-TABLE CONFERENCE WERE ALSO DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING. IN THE AFTERNOON, THE SRSG ALSO MET WITH MR. IAN MARTIN, CHIEF OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OPERATION IN RWANDA AND DISCUSSED THE HAND-OVER BY MILOBS TO HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORS AND FURTHER DISCUSSED THE SITUATION REGARDING ARRESTS AND DETENTION IN RWANDA.

ON 28 DECEMBER, THE SRSG ATTENDED THE INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF THE BRIDGE AT GASHORA BY THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE MAIN THEME OF THE SPEECHES MADE ON THE OCCASION, CALLED FOR A MEANINGFUL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND UNAMIR IN THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS CONCERNING RWANDA. THE ROLE OF THE FORCE ENGINEERING COMPONENT OF UNAMIR WAS PARTICULARLY APPRECIATED IN THIS REGARD.

ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA REPORT OF 25 DECEMBER, THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT IS LOOKING INTO THE POSSIBILITY OF ALLOWING THE AILING ITALIAN PRIEST CARLO ISAIA BELOMI TO PROCEED ABROAD FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT. FATHER BELOMI IS ACCUSED OF HAVING PARTICIPATED IN LAST YEAR'S GENOCIDE AND IS CURRENTLY UNDER HOUSE ARREST. THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT WISHED TO GET ASSURANCE FROM THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT THAT AFTER FATHER BELOMI'S MEDICAL TREATMENT, HE WOULD BE SENT BACK TO RWANDA TO FACE JUSTICE. THE RADIO ALSO REPORTED THE ARREST OF MR. NDAHIMANA, AN EX-FAR CORPORAL FROM KAGUNGA SECTOR, WHO HAS BEEN ACCUSED OF LAYING MINES AND THEREBY CREATING INSECURITY IN THE AREA.

ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA OF 27 DECEMBER, THE SEMINAR ON DETENTION AND ARREST PROCEDURES THAT CONCLUDED ON 27 DECEMBER IN SAINT PAUL CENTRE, EMPHASIZED UPON THE NEED FOR COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE ARMY AND THE CIVIL JUDICIAL INSTITUTIONS. IT ALSO CALLED FOR SETTING UP OF THE COMMISSION FOR ASCERTAINING PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED BY SUCH PROCEDURES AS WELL AS DETERMINING THE GUILTY.

RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 29 DECEMBER, THAT THE BELGIAN GENERAL AUDITOR HAD ANNOUNCED, THAT THE FORMER UNAMIR FORCE COMMANDER GENERAL ROMEO DALLAIRE WOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE BELGIAN MILITARY COURT. HE IS ACCUSED OF THE DEATH OF THE 10 BLUE HELMETS KILLED IN KIGALI IN 1994, AND WHO WERE ESCORTING THE FORMER PRIME MINISTER AGATHE UWILINGIYIMANA.

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POLITICAL ACTIVITY

18-24 DECEMBER 1995

THE SRSG MET WITH THE RWANDAN FOREIGN MINISTER, DR. ANASTASE GASANA ON 18 DECEMBER 1995 AND CONVEYED TO HIM THE GENERALLY FELT CONCERN OVER THE EXPULSION ON THIRTY-EIGHT NGO'S. THEY ALSO DISCUSSED THE TANZANIAN PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT IN REGARD TO MEASURES TO EXPEDITE VOLUNTARY RETURN OF REFUGEES. THEY FURTHER DISCUSSED FOLLOW-UP ACTION CONCERNING UNAMIR'S NEW MANDATE. ON THE SAME DAY, THE INDIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER TO UGANDA, AMBASSADOR S.S. GILL, CALLED ON THE SRSG AT HIS OFFICE AND DISCUSSED THE REGIONAL SITUATION IN AN OVERALL CONTEXT. IN THE AFTERNOON, THE SRSG ATTENDED THE RWANDAN LOCAL OPERATIONS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING AND DISCUSSED ISSUES PERTAINING TO THE GOVERNMENT'S DECISION AND MEASURES IN REGARD TO INTERNATIONAL NGO'S, THE REHABILITATION OF THE JUSTICE SYSTEM AND DETENTION CENTRES, THE ROLE OF UNAMIR AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN ENSURING PREPAREDNESS FOR THE RETURN OF REFUGEES AND, FINALLY, THE USE OF VEHICLES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT UPON COMPLETION OF UNREO AND UNAMIR MANDATES.

THE SRSG HELD A MEETING OF SENIOR STAFF MEMBERS OF UNAMIR ON 19 DECEMBER 1995 TO DISCUSS MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE NEW MANDATE. HE THEN HELD HIS WEEKLY MEETING WITH RWANDAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON THE UNAMIR MANDATE. THE SRSG LATER ATTENDED A MEETING AT THE ARDEC PROJECT SITE AND WAS GIVEN AN OVERVIEW OF THE HOUSING PROJECT BEING DEVELOPED BY THAT ORGANIZATION. THE SRSG ALSO MET WITH THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE NATIONAL GENDARMERIE, MR. NDIBWAMI DEOGRATIAS, WITH WHOM HE HAD A USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS.

RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 18 DECEMBER 1995 THAT THE PRIME MINISTER OF RWANDA INFORMED THE AMBASSADOR OF INDIA THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA WAS DETERMINED TO REPATRIATE ALL REFUGEES FROM ZAIRE, TANZANIA, BURUNDI AND ELSEWHERE TO ENSURE LASTING STABILITY IN THE COUNTRY. IT ALSO ANNOUNCED THE START OF THE RWANDA-BURUNDI BILATERAL COMMISSION MEETING IN KIGALI TO

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23-24 Dec 1995

DISCUSS JOINT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES. DESPITE SOME TENSION BETWEEN THE TWO NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES, COOPERATION, BOTH BILATERALLY AND IN THE FRAMEWORK OF VARIOUS SUB-REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, CONTINUES.

THE SRSG ATTENDED HEADS OF AGENCIES MEETING AT THE UNDP CONFERENCE ROOM ON 20 DECEMBER 1995 AND DISCUSSED CONTINGENCY PLAN AFTER THE DEPARTURE OF UNAMIR, AGENCY PLAN FOR REFUGEE RETURN AND THE NGOS ISSUE.

RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 19 DECEMBER 1995 THAT THE THIRD JOINT RWANDA-BURUNDI COMMISSION BEGAN ITS WORK ON THAT DAY AND DELIBERATED UPON THE POSSIBILITY OF COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF POLITICS, ECONOMY, SOCIAL WELFARE, SCIENCE, CULTURE AND SECURITY, PARTICULARLY AT THE BORDER AND IN THE SUB-REGION.

THE SRSG ATTENDED THE OPENING OF ARDEC HOUSING PROJECT, INAUGURATED BY PRESIDENT PASTEUR BIZIMUNGU ON 21 DECEMBER 1995, IN THE PRESENCE OF OTHER DIGNITARIES, INCLUDING THE VICE-PREMIER AND CABINET MINISTERS. VARIOUS HEADS OF UN AGENCIES AND MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE CEREMONY. THE PRESIDENT APPLAUDED THE ROLE OF UNAMIR, WFP AND UNICEF IN DEVELOPING THE HOUSING PROJECT. ON THE SAME DAY, THE FIRST EVER RESIDENT BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO RWANDA CALLED ON THE SRSG AND HELD WIDE RANGING DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING THE SUB-REGION AND RWANDA IN PARTICULAR. THE SRSG ALSO MET WITH THE VISITING WFP REPRESENTATIVE, MR. RONALD C.S. SIBANDA, AND DISCUSSED MATTERS IN REGARD TO THE RETURN OF REFUGEES AND THE EQUIPMENT ISSUE.

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**POLITICAL ACTIVITY
11-17 DECEMBER 1995**

THE SRSG VISITED THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE ON 11 DECEMBER AND HELD A MEETING WITH MR. CLAUDE DUSAIDI, VICE-PRESIDENT'S ADVISOR ON POLITICAL AFFAIRS, ON THE ISSUE OF UNAMIR'S MANDATE. THEREAFTER, THE SRSG MET WITH AMBASSADORS OF THE COUNTRIES REPRESENTED IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND DISCUSSED LATEST POSITION IN THIS REGARD.

THE SRSG ATTENDED THE HEADS OF AGENCIES MEETING ON 13 DECEMBER AT THE UNDP PREMISES AND DISCUSSED MATTERS RELATING TO WHITE HELMETS INITIATIVES, THE JUSTICE SYSTEM AND UNAMIR'S MANDATE. LATER, HE HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE AND SPOKE ABOUT THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S DECISION TO RENEW THE MANDATE FOR A PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS DURING WHICH UNAMIR'S ACTIVITIES WOULD BE RELATED TO ENCOURAGING THE VOLUNTARY RETURN OF REFUGEES. AMBASSADOR KHAN NOTED THAT H.E. PRESIDENT BIZIMUNGU HAD PAID TRIBUTE TO UNAMIR II'S ROLE.

ON 15 DECEMBER, THE SRSG MET WITH THE DUTCH CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES, MR. VAN DE VEN, ALONG WITH MR. IAN MARTIN, CHIEF OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD OPERATIONS IN RWANDA, AND DISCUSSED THE KIBEHO INCIDENT AND HUMAN RIGHTS VOTING ISSUE IN THE 3RD COMMITTEE OF THE UN.

RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 14 DECEMBER THAT THE TANZANIAN DELEGATION LED BY PRESIDENT BENJAMIN MKAPA MET WITH RWANDAN PRESIDENT PASTEUR BIZIMUNGU IN MWANZA TOWN ON THAT DAY AND AGREED TO RESUME REGULAR VISITS TO RWANDAN REFUGEES CAMPS IN TANZANIA BY RWANDAN LEADERS, TO COUNTERACT RUMORS IN THOSE CAMPS. THEY ALSO EXPRESSED THEIR WISH THAT THE FACILITATORS OF THE CAIRO SUMMIT MEET IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO ANALYZE HOW FAR THE RESOLUTIONS HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED, AND TO PREPARE ANOTHER MEETING OF HEADS OF STATES OF THE GREAT LAKES REGION.

THE SRSG REFERRED TO THE INDICTMENTS ISSUED ON 12TH DECEMBER BY THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL IN ARUSHA AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT ALL MEMBER STATES WOULD COOPERATE WITH THE TRIBUNAL INCLUDING KENYA.

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THE SRSG EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE SUSPENSION OF ACTIVITIES OF 38 NGOS AND ADDED THAT, WHILE IT WAS RWANDA'S SOVEREIGN RIGHT TO DECIDE SO, DO HOPE THAT THE APPEALS BY THE AFFECTED NGOS WOULD BE GIVEN DUE CONSIDERATION BY THE GOVERNMENT. THE SRSG FIRMLY DENIED THE STATEMENT ATTRIBUTED TO HIM REGARDING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF ZAIRE AND TANZANIA WHILE REFERRING TO THE RADIO RWANDA REPORT OF 10 DECEMBER. HE HAD STATED THAT BOTH COUNTRIES ACKNOWLEDGED THE PRESENCE OF INTIMIDATORS WHO NEED TO BE SEPARATED FROM THE REST OF REFUGEES AND ALSO ACCEPTED TO PREVENT MILITARY TRAINING ON THEIR TERRITORY.

THE SRSG ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN AT THE ARREST OF MR. JEAN-BAPTISTE BARAMBIRWA, PRESIDENT OF CLADHO, AFTER HE HAD MADE A SPEECH ON SUNDAY AND HOPED THAT HE WOULD BE TREATED WITH TRANSPARENT JUSTICE.

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**POLITICAL ACTIVITY
4 TO 10 DECEMBER 1995**

THE SRSG ON 5 DECEMBER HELD A MEETING WITH SENIOR STAFF MEMBERS OF UNAMIR ON THE ISSUE OF THE MANDATE AND LATER HELD ANOTHER MEETING WITH RWANDAN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES ON THE SAME SUBJECT. THE SRSG ATTENDED THE SEMINAR ON "CONSULTATION EVALUATION EPR" AT EGLISE PRESBYTÉRIENNE AU RWANDA AND ADDRESSED THE GATHERING OF THE CHURCH. IN THE AFTERNOON, AMBASSADOR BOGOSIAN, SPECIAL COORDINATOR AT THE US STATE DEPARTMENT CALLED ON THE SRSG AND HELD DISCUSSIONS ON UNAMIR'S MANDATE AND ON OTHER RELATED MATTERS. THE SRSG ALSO GAVE A BRIEFING TO MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS AND HEADS OF AGENCIES ON CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING UNAMIR'S MANDATE ON THE SAME DAY.

ON 6 DECEMBER, THE SRSG MET WITH MR. DEGNI SEGNI, SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR UNHFOR AND DISCUSSED THE GENERAL SITUATION AND CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING RWANDA. LATER, THE SRSG HELD A MEETING WITH THE FORCE COMMANDER AND EXCHANGED VIEWS REGARDING THE FORCE LEVEL AND UNAMIR'S MANDATE.

ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA NEWS OF 5 DECEMBER, THE SRSG, IN HIS ADDRESS AT THE CONFERENCE OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF RWANDA, STRESSED THE NEED FOR STRENGTHENING THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM, SO AS TO BRING ABOUT STABILITY AND GIVE REFUGEES MORE CONFIDENCE. HE SAID THAT HE WAS PLEASED TO SEE HOW SOON THINGS STARTED IMPROVING AFTER WHAT HAPPENED IN RWANDA. RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON THE SAME DAY, THAT A MEETING WAS HELD IN GIKONGORO BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UN HIGH COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN RWANDA, UNAMIR FORCES AND RPA SENIOR OFFICERS ON THE QUESTION OF BANDITS IN NYUNGWE NATURAL FOREST. IT FURTHER REPORTED THAT, ON 27 NOVEMBER, PATROL SOLDIERS IN SHABA SECTOR, KIVU COMMUNE, HAD AN EXCHANGE OF FIRE WITH AN UNKNOWN PEOPLE BASED IN THE CAMP AT ABOUT 20KM IN THE FOREST. THE ENCOUNTER RESULTED IN THE KILLING OF TEN PEOPLE, WHEREAS HUNDRED OF THEM FLED IN ALL DIRECTIONS.

THE SRSG HELD A MEETING ON 7 DECEMBER WITH MR. FAUBERT, UNHCR REGIONAL DIRECTOR, AND DISCUSSED THE REFUGEE SITUATION AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS. IN THE AFTERNOON, THE SRSG MET WITH MR. PILEGAARD OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AND HELD CONSULTATIONS ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION, DEVELOPMENT PLEDGED AND UNAMIR'S

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RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 6 DECEMBER THAT GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA HAS ASKED 38 NGOS TO STOP THEIR OPERATIONS AND LEAVE THE COUNTRY, WHILE 18 WERE ASKED TO SUSPEND THEIR OPERATIONS. THE GOVERNMENT BELIEVED THAT THE AFFECTED NGOS WERE NOT RESPECTING PROCEDURES, OTHERS, LACKED ABILITY IN THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THEIR PROGRAMMES.

ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA REPORT OF 7 DECEMBER, A TRIPARTITE MEETING BETWEEN RWANDA, TANZANIA AND UNHCR WAS HELD AT HOTEL DES DIPLOMATES IN KIGALI TO FIND OUT MODALITIES OF FACILITATING THE RWANDAN REFUGEES REPATRIATION FROM TANZANIA.

- WEEKLY SITREP -

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

20 to 26 November 1995

On 21 November at the Hotel des Mille Collines in Kigali, the Rwandan Prime Minister, Mr. Pierre Célestin Rwigema, opened three-day Thematic Consultations on Repatriation, Rehabilitation and Social Reintegration of Rwandan refugees in neighbouring countries. The participants included several senior Rwandan Government figures as well as all Ambassadors to Rwanda and other prominent members of the diplomatic corps. The SRSG participated in the Consultations, at which he was invited to make an opening address, on which occasion he conveyed to the meeting the Secretary-General Mr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali's support and wishes for success in achieving its objectives. The SRSG also emphasized the need for an improvement in regional relationships in order to encourage the return of the refugees. He called for the pursuit of sustainable development through effective cooperation between the Government, the UN agencies and the donor community, as the best way to achieve national reconciliation and recovery.

The Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, Judge Richard Goldstone, arrived in Kigali on 23 November. The SRSG welcomed him at the airport and then accompanied him to a meeting with H.E. the Vice-President and Minister of Defence, Major-General Paul Kagame, and the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Anastase Gasana.

The SRSG later held a meeting with Mr. Ian Martin, Chief of the Human Rights Field Operation for Rwanda, with whom he discussed matters of mutual concern.

The SRSG held a press briefing on 24 November at which he stated that the visit of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR), Judge Richard Goldstone, proved highly successful, as he had been able to announce that the first indictments would be issued around 12 December 1995. The SRSG indicated that the ICTR had the full backing of the Rwanda Government and that even Kenya now favours the trials.

On the Prisons issue, the SRSG observed that, to date, 4,307 prisoners had been transferred to the Nsinda detention centre. He indicated that the reason for the delay in this regard is not a question of political will. The prisoners themselves often do not want to leave their home prefectures. Nevertheless, in the coming week, about 5,000 will have been transferred from over-crowded prisons to the new detention centres.

On the subject of UNAMIR's mandate, the SRSG stated that UNAMIR's phasing out schedule will start taking effect on 8 December 1995.

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Radio Rwanda reported on 22 November that participants in the Thematic Consultations had agreed that Rwanda needs US 120 million to rehabilitate returnees. The consultations were officially closed by the Deputy Prime Minister of the Interior, Colonel Alexis Kanyarengwe.

The Radio also reported that, since last Friday, the ICRC had assisted the Rwandan Government in transferring more than 3,000 detainees from the over-crowded prison at Kibungo to Nsinda detention centre.

According to Radio Rwanda report of 24 November, the Rwandan Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Dr. Anastase Gasana, has informed the Security Council that UNAMIR mandate expires on 8 December 1995. He said that the security of Rwanda is the responsibility of the Rwandan Government and UNAMIR plays no role in it. He further said that the country needs funds, technology, engineers, doctors, agriculture experts who can help in building the nation practically. Therefore UNAMIR is unable to help the Rwandan Government in its programme priorities.

- WEEKLY SITREP -

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

13 to 19 November 1995

The SRSG met with the Rwandese Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Anastase Gasana, on 13 November, and discussed matters concerning the future mandate of UNAMIR as well as the holding of the Great Lakes' Regional Conference on Security, Stability and Development.

On 14 November, the SRSG went to see the Prime Minister of Rwanda, Mr. Pierre-Célestin Rwigema, to discuss the forthcoming Thematic Consultations scheduled for 21-22 November. Later, the SRSG held a meeting with other officials of the Government of Rwanda to discuss issues related to UNAMIR's mandate.

At the end of her visit to Rwanda, Mrs. Elizabeth Lindenmayer, Principal Desk Officer for Rwanda in the Department of Peace-keeping Operations, called on the SRSG on 14 November, for a concluding session with him. Finally, the SRSG gave a briefing on UNAMIR's mandate to members of the diplomatic corps and Heads of various Agencies at UNAMIR headquarters.

The SRSG attended a meeting on prisons at the UNDP on 15 November and reviewed general conditions of the detention centres as well as discussed ways and means to rapidly expand the detention capacity of the prisons in Rwanda. The chairman of the Prisons Commission, Mr. Claude Dusaidi, was also present in the meeting.

Later, the SRSG held a meeting with the members of the United Nations Assistance Advisory Group and reviewed progress achieved in connection with tasks accomplished by UAAG and future requests to be considered in this regard.

The SRSG participated in the opening ceremony of a Police School at Gishari in Kibungo prefecture, inaugurated by the Vice-President and Minister of Defence, Major General Paul Kagame on 19 November 1995. The school was built with the assistance of Ireland, Holland, Great-Britain, Germany, Uganda and UNAMIR.

According to Radio Rwanda, the Rwandese Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Anastase Gasana, strongly condemned all those who would use the problem of Rwandese refugees to strain relations with countries of the sub-region. He said that the Rwandese Government had no interest in preventing Rwandese refugees from returning to their mother-land.

Radio Rwanda reported that the former American President Jimmy Carter arrived in Kigali on 19 November, accompanied by the Atlanta based Carter Foundation. He went to visit Ntarama where many people lost their lives in last year's genocide. He was shocked by what he saw, and said that perpetrators of the genocide should be brought to justice as soon as possible.

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- WEEKLY SITREP -

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

06-12 November 1995

The SRSG gave a briefing on Monday, 6 November 1995, to the visiting members of the United Nations Association of the U.S.A. on the over-all situation in Rwanda, with particular reference to reconciliation and the repatriation of Rwandan refugees from neighbouring countries. Reconstruction of the judicial system was also discussed. Later in the day, the SRSG attended a meeting of the European Union and U.S. Ambassadors to Rwanda to review the deliberations and conclusions of the International Conference on Genocide that ended on 5 November 1995.

The SRSG gave a briefing on 7 November to Heads of Missions and Agencies on the current developments and situation with regard to the future mandate of UNAMIR. In the afternoon, the visiting Norwegian delegation met with the SRSG and discussed matters concerning the refugees, rehabilitation of the judicial system, future mandate of UNAMIR as well as international assistance to Rwanda.

The SRSG held a meeting with the U.S. Ambassador on 8 November 1995 and discussed the over-all situation in Rwanda and matters concerning UNAMIR's mandate. The SRSG also attended the Heads of Agency meeting at the UNDP conference room the same day. Among other things that were discussed, were the recommendations of the Conference on Genocide, more particularly the rôle and responsibilities of the International Community in addressing the post-genocide situation.

On the arrival of the International Commission of Inquiry at Kigali International Airport, its Chairman, Ambassador Mahmoud Kassem, issued a press statement outlining the mandate of the International Commission as being:-to collect information and investigate reports relating to the sale and supply of arms to former Rwandan government forces in the Great Lakes region, to investigate allegations of military training of such forces, to identify the parties involved and to recommend measures to end the illegal flow of arms into the sub-region in violation of Security Council resolutions.

The SRSG participated in a meeting between the Vice-President of Rwanda and the members of the International Commission of Inquiry on 9 November 1995 to discuss matters concerning the mandate of the Commission. Cleaning up operations on Iwawa Island by the RPA were also discussed.

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Ms. Elizabeth Lindenmayer, Principal Desk Officer for Rwanda in the Department for Peace-Keeping Operations, New York, currently on visit to Rwanda, met with the SRSG on 10 November 1995 and discussed the overall situation of Rwanda and more particularly the future mandate of UNAMIR. In the afternoon she met with the Director General of the Rwandan foreign office. Later, the SRSG held a meeting on prisons with UNDP and reviewed overall developments in this field.

According to Radio Rwanda, report of 9 November, Norway's annual financial assistance to Rwanda, totalling 3 billion Rwandan francs next year, will be channelled through UN Agencies and NGOs. Radio Rwanda reported on 10 November, that the Prime Minister of Rwanda Pierre Célestin Rwigema in his meeting with Mr. Eugene Scantei from World Bank Headquarters, Washington, reiterated his Government's determination to mobilize the resources provided by the World Bank to promote the socio-economic development of the country.

- WEEKLY SITREP -

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

30 to 5th November 1995

On November 31, the SRSG briefed members of the Diplomatic community as well as those from UN Agencies, on the on-going discussions with the Rwandese Government on the UNAMIR mandate.

The SRSG accompanied the Prime Minister of Rwanda during his visits to the sites reserved for the resettlements of the refugees on the outskirts of Kigali on 1st November. The Prime Minister appreciated UNAMIR's role in providing necessary assistance in the development of those sites. The Minister for Public Works, UNDP representative and Chief of the Habitat also accompanied the Prime Minister.

The SRSG participated in the opening ceremony of the International Conference on Genocide on 2 November 1995, inaugurated by the President of Rwanda. President Bizimungu, in his address at the conference, stated that the purpose of the conference was to share ideas with experts from various countries, in particular countries that had experienced some degree of genocide or massive violation of human rights, in a bid to formulate an appropriate policy for the national healing process.

In a later interview with Radio Rwanda, President Bizimungu opined that the Regional Summit to be convened by ex-President of USA, Mr. Jimmy Carter, should focus on the implementation of the decisions taken at the Nairobi and Bujumbura conferences on refugees repatriation.

According to Radio Rwanda news report of November 4, 1995, the Dutch Minister of Cooperation, Mr. Ian Pronk, in his meeting with Prime Minister Rwigema, announced that Holland will give Rwanda US\$ 16 Million in support of the judicial system and other areas of the country's rehabilitation.

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WEEKLY SITREP

**22-28 October
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The SRSG held a meeting on 23 October with his senior UNAMIR colleagues to discuss the forthcoming visit of the International Commission on Inquiry to investigate reports of military training and arms shipment to the former Rwandese Government forces.

On the occasion of the 50th Anniversary celebrations of the United Nations, the SRSG on 24 September praised the close cooperation between the Rwandese people and the United Nations family represented in Rwanda and their joint participation in the festivities. The SRSG reiterated UNAMIR's commitment to support the Government and people of Rwanda in achieving normalcy and stability through economic development and a viable judicial system.

*The SRSG held a meeting with Mr. Urasa, UNHCR Representative in Rwanda and discussed plans for the repatriation of refugees as well as reviewed the developments of the Tripartite Meeting in Gisenyi and ~~Dares Salaam~~ *Arusha*.*

The President of ICRC, Mr. Cornelis Sommaruga on his visit to Rwanda made a courtesy call on the SRSG and exchanged views of mutual concern.

Radio Rwanda reported that a senior Government official has informed the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Mrs. Sadako Ogata, that the Rwandese Government views the repatriation of refugees as a fundamental right and that its policy is indeed to encourage the return of all Rwandese to their home country.

According to Radio Rwanda, Amnesty International has expressed concern about the time-limit set by Zaire for the repatriation of Rwandese refugees from its territory, stating that such a deadline would lead to a humanitarian disaster.

Radio Rwanda reported the killing of ten people in the Kanombe commune with a purpose to destabilize the Rwandese society. The main suspects are the returning refugees who sneaked back without going through the right channels of repatriation.

According to Radio Rwanda, an international conference on Rwanda's genocide will be held in Kigali next week to formulate a viable and coherent national policy aimed at overcoming the effects of genocide in order to stabilize the Rwandese society.

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POLITICAL ACTIVITY

15 to 21 October 1995

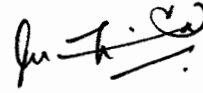
Ambassador Harald Ganns of Germany met on 17 October with the SRSG during his visit to Rwanda and discussed future action and coordination between various UN agencies to rehabilitate and reconstruct the prison system in Rwanda as well as matters concerning the mandate. The SRSG held another meeting with Rwandese Government officials on that day to discuss the future role of UNAMIR in Rwanda and other aspects of UNAMIR/Government relations. The situation of prisons was also considered.

The SRSG participated in UN Heads of Agencies' meeting on 18 October with Mr. Rafeeuddin Ahmad, visiting Associate Administrator of UNDP, and discussed matters concerning repatriation and reintegration of refugees, the judicial system and the prison situation in Rwanda. Mr. W.R. Urasa, Head of the UNHCR called on the SRSG in Kigali on 18 October and discussed the inflow of refugees and the need for additional transport in this regard. In the meeting with Mr. Ian Martin, Head of HR/FOR, the SRSG reviewed the general situation regarding Human Rights operation in Rwanda.

Radio Rwanda announced on 18 October that Germany had pledged DM7 million in emergency aid, with particular concern for the judicial system and the issue of overcrowded prisons. According to Radio Rwanda, Mr. Pierre Célestin Rwigema, Prime Minister of Rwanda, in his address to the senior officers' seminar at the Military School on 18 October, emphasized the need for greater cohesion among the different structures of the Administration, so as to achieve the goals of the Eight-Point Programme. He pointed out that the Government of National Unity in Rwanda is guided by principles of fundamental law, Arusha Accord and the RPA Declaration.

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1 - 6 October 1995

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On his part, President Bizimungu expressed his gratitude to the SRSG and UNAMIR for their contribution to improve prison conditions in Rwanda. In addition, the President requested further assistance from UNAMIR in the provision of prison security.

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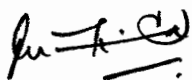
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WEEKLY SITREP
18 - 24 SEPTEMBER 1995
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

A. A EUROPEAN UNION (EU) DELEGATION CONSISTING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE TROIKA (FRANCE, ITALY AND SPAIN) ENDED A TWO-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO KIGALI BY 17 SEPTEMBER 1995. DURING THE COURSE OF THEIR VISIT, THEY WERE BRIEFED BY THE SRSG AND HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH THE RWANDESE PRESIDENT AND MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON THE SITUATION WITHIN THE COUNTRY, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO EFFORTS DIRECTED TOWARDS RECONSTRUCTION AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION. ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA, THE DELEGATION PLEDGED INCREASED EU ASSISTANCE TO RWANDA.

B. THE SPECIAL ENVOY OF THE U.N. SECRETARY GENERAL FOR THE GREAT LAKES REGION, MR. JOSE LUIS JESUS, ARRIVED IN KIGALI, ON 19 SEPTEMBER 1995. HE WAS WELCOMED AT THE AIRPORT BY THE SRSG WHO GAVE HIM A BRIEFING. LATER IN THE DAY, THE SRSG ACCOMPANIED MR. JESUS TO A MEETING WITH THE RWANDESE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MR. ANASTASE GASANA. THE SRSG AND THE SPECIAL ENVOY OF THE SECRETARY -GENERAL FOR THE GREAT LAKE REGIONS, MR. JOSE LUIS JESUS MET ALSO WITH THE PRESIDENT, MR. PASTEUR BIZIMUNGU AND THE VICE PRESIDENT AND MINISTER OF DEFENCE, MAJOR PAUL KAGAME TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF HOLDING THE CONFERENCE ON SECURITY, STABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE REGION.

C. THE SRSG IN HIS BRIEFING TO THE PRESS ON 20 SEPTEMBER, STATED THAT A NATIONAL INQUIRY COMMISSION HAD BEEN SET UP TO REPORT WITHIN THREE MONTHS OVER THE KANAMA INCIDENT.

D. THE SRSG OBSERVED THAT THE HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD OPERATIONS IN RWANDA ARE IN THE PROCESS OF LAUNCHING AN AMBITIOUS PLAN FOR IMPROVING CONDITIONS IN THE PRISONS AND ADVISED THE MEDIA TO VISIT PRISONS PREMISES TO HAVE A FIRST HAND ACCOUNT OF THE SITUATION. THE COMPLETION OF THE NSINDA PRISON BY END OF THIS MONTH WILL ACCOMMODATE 5,000 PRISONERS THEREBY MITIGATING THE PROBLEM OF OVERCROWDING.

E. THE SRSG ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT RECRUITMENT OF JUDICIARY IS IN THE OFFING AND A BATCH OF FIFTY FOREIGN EXPERTS ARE LIKELY TO ARRIVE IN A MONTH'S TIME TO REVIEW THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY.

F. MR. CLARENCE, CHIEF OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD OPERATIONS WHO WAS ALSO PRESENT AT THE SRSG'S PRESS CONFERENCE STATED THAT THE DIFFICULT CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD MONITORS ARE WORKING WERE BEING PROGRESSIVELY OVERCOME BY COOPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT.

WEEKLY SITREP
18 -24 SEPTEMBER 1995
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

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25/9/95

Mr. Khan,

The military would like the
Weekly Sitrep by today (i.e. a summary
of the daily ones).

Please feel free to discuss with me.

L. M. Rafii

Also, Mr. de Souza requests that you use the services
of Mr. Ischlika's secretary until further notice.

DAILY SITREP
18 SEPTEMBER 1995
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

by 17 Sept

A. A EUROPEAN UNION (EU) DELEGATION CONSISTING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE TROIKA (FRANCE, ITALY AND SPAIN) ENDED A TWO-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO KIGALI YESTERDAY. DURING THE COURSE OF THEIR VISIT, THEY WERE BRIEFED BY THE SRSG AND HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH THE RWANDESE PRESIDENT AND MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON THE SITUATION WITHIN THE COUNTRY, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO EFFORTS DIRECTED TOWARDS RECONSTRUCTION AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION. ACCORDING TO RADIO RWANDA, THE DELEGATION PLEDGED INCREASED EU ASSISTANCE TO RWANDA.

B. RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 16 SEPTEMBER THAT THE SPECIAL COORDINATOR FOR RWANDA AT THE US STATE DEPARTMENT, MR. RICHARD BOGOSIAN, HELD MEETINGS WITH THE RWANDESE VICE-PRESIDENT, PRIME MINISTER AND VICE-PRIME MINISTER DURING WHICH HE REITERATED HIS COUNTRY'S STRONG SUPPORT FOR RWANDA. MR. BOGOSIAN REPORTEDLY STATED THAT HE WAS SATISFIED WITH THE PROGRESS MADE IN RECONSTRUCTING THE COUNTRY.

DAILY SITREP
19 SEPTEMBER 1995
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

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THE SPECIAL ENVOY OF THE U.N. SECRETARY GENERAL FOR THE GREAT LAKES REGION, MR. JOSE LUIS JESUS, ARRIVED IN KIGALI TODAY. HE WAS WELCOMED AT THE AIRPORT BY THE SRSG WHO GAVE HIM A BRIEFING. LATER IN THE DAY, THE SRSG ACCOMPANIED MR. JESUS TO A MEETING WITH THE RWANDESE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MR. ANASTASE GASANA. DURING HIS VISIT, HE IS ALSO EXPECTED TO MEET WITH OTHER SENIOR RWANDESE OFFICIALS, INCLUDING THE VICE-PRESIDENT AND THE HEAD OF STATE.

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WEEKLY SITREP
4 - 10 SEPTEMBER 1995
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

A. THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES, MRS. SADAKO OGATA, ARRIVED IN KIGALI ON 4 SEPTEMBER AND WAS BRIEFED BY THE SRSG ON THE SITUATION IN RWANDA. SHE MET WITH SENIOR RWANDESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN KIGALI, AND ALSO VISITED THE REFUGEE CAMPS IN GOMA AND BUKAVU, ZAIRE, ACCOMPANIED BY THE SRSG.

B. ON 5 SEPTEMBER, THE RWANDESE GOVERNMENT ISSUED A PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT ON THE OCCASION OF MRS. OGATA'S VISIT TO RWANDA IN WHICH IT STATED THAT IT WAS DETERMINED "TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ENABLE THE SAFE RETURN OF ALL THE RWANDESE REFUGEES, IN THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF THE BUJUMBURA DECLARATION." IT FURTHER ADDED THAT "NO EFFORTS WILL BE SPARED TO ENSURE THAT EVERY RWANDESE ENJOYS EQUAL RIGHT TO CITIZENSHIP AND PROTECTION BY THE GOVERNMENT."

C. ON 5 SEPTEMBER, THE SRSG MET WITH THE DUTCH MINISTER FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION, MR. JAN PRONK, TO DISCUSS THE REFUGEE SITUATION IN RWANDA, THE CONDITIONS IN RWANDESE PRISONS AND OVERALL POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN THE COUNTRY.

D. RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT MR. PRONK STATED DURING THE COURSE OF HIS VISIT THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY SHOULD ASSIST RWANDA. HE REPORTEDLY DISCUSSED WITH SENIOR RWANDESE AUTHORITIES THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN RWANDA AND THE SUBREGION, BILATERAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND THE DECISION TO OPEN A DUTCH EMBASSY IN KIGALI IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

E. THE SRSG PRESIDED OVER A MEETING ON 7 SEPTEMBER TO DISCUSS THE PRISON SITUATION IN RWANDA WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM UNDP, UNICEF, UNHRFOR AND THE ICRC. THE PARTICIPANT DISCUSSED A PLAN OF ACTION AND THE SRSG STATED THAT UNAMIR WOULD CONTRIBUTE ITS COMBINED MILITARY AND CIVILIAN EXPERTISE AND OTHER RESOURCES TO ASSIST IN THESE COORDINATED EFFORTS.

F. RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT THE NEW RWANDESE PRIME MINISTER HELD A RECEPTION ON 6 SEPTEMBER WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY BOTH FORMER AND NEWLY-APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE RWANDESE CABINET. THE PRIME MINISTER REPORTEDLY STATED THAT THE OUTGOING MINISTERS WOULD SERVE IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY TO THEIR SUCCESSORS, AND HE ASKED THEM TO INDICATE THEIR AVAILABILITY AND INTEREST FOR OTHER ASSIGNMENTS.

WEEKLY SITREP
11 - 17 SEPTEMBER 1995
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

A. KILLINGS IN GISENYI PREFECTURE

1. FOLLOWING THE KILLING OF 110 CIVILIANS IN KANAMA COMMUNE IN GISENYI PREFECTURE, THE SRSG HELD SEVERAL MEETINGS ON 13 SEPTEMBER WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS FROM UNAMIR AND OTHER UN AGENCIES TO COORDINATE UN ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING AID FOR THE WOUNDED. THE SRSG STRESSED THAT EFFORTS WERE UNDERWAY TO DETERMINE THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE KILLINGS. HE REGARDED THE INCIDENT AS A SERIOUS SETBACK TO ONGOING EFFORTS TO CONVINCE REFUGEES TO RETURN TO RWANDA. UNAMIR MILOBS, UN HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORS AND UN CIVPOL OBSERVERS WERE DISPATCHED IMMEDIATELY TO THE AREA TO PARTICIPATE WITH RWANDESE GOVERNMENT INVESTIGATORS, INCLUDING THE RPA AND THE GENDARMERIE, IN A JOINT INQUIRY. THE SRSG ALSO MET AT UNAMIR HQ WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE RWANDESE VICE-PRESIDENT AND MINISTER OF DEFENCE, MAJ. GEN. PAUL KAGAME, TO DISCUSS THE INCIDENT.

2. RADIO RWANDA REPORTED THAT MAJ. GEN. KAGAME VISITED GISENYI ON 13 SEPTEMBER TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE RECENT KILLINGS IN THE AREA, TO IDENTIFY THOSE RESPONSIBLE AND TO TAKE MEASURES TO PREVENT THE RECURRENCE OF SUCH INCIDENTS. HE REPORTEDLY STATED THAT THE RPA HAD USED EXCESSIVE FORCE AND THAT THOSE RESPONSIBLE WOULD BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. HE ALSO ADDED THAT THE LOCAL POPULATION SHOULD NOT SHELTER INFILTRATORS AND SABOTEURS AND THE ARMY SHOULD NOT USE EXCESSIVE FORCE.

3. THE SRSG HELD A MEETING ON 14 SEPTEMBER WITH THE PRESIDENT OF RWANDA, MR. PASTEUR BIZIMUNGU, TO DISCUSS THE KILLINGS IN GISENYI. THE SRSG CONSIDERED IT A VERY SERIOUS MATTER WHICH COULD HAVE ADVERSE REPERCUSSIONS ON THE RETURN OF REFUGEES. HE ALSO EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT EXCESSES HAD BEEN COMMITTED AND THAT THE CULPRITS WOULD BE PUNISHED, AS WELL AS FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO HOLD A JOINT INVESTIGATION INTO THE MATTER WITH THE UN.

B. OTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN RWANDA

1. ON 9 SEPTEMBER, THE SRSG ATTENDED CEREMONIES IN BUTARE WHERE ABOUT 1200 MEMBERS OF THE FORMER RWANDESE GOVERNMENT FORCES WERE SWORN INTO THE RWANDESE PATRIOTIC ARMY FOLLOWING THEIR COMPLETION OF A ONE-YEAR COURSE IN POLITICAL AND MILITARY TRAINING.

2. RADIO RWANDA REPORTED ON 11 SEPTEMBER THAT THE FINANCE MINISTERS OF THE THREE COUNTRIES OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY FOR THE GREAT LAKES REGION (BURUNDI, RWANDA AND ZAIRE) MET IN GOMA, ZAIRE TO RELAUNCH THE ACTIVITIES OF THE DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR THE GREAT LAKES COUNTRIES.

3. ON 13 SEPTEMBER, THE SRSG MET WITH THE UGANDAN AMBASSADOR TO RWANDA, MR. IGNATIUS KATETEGIRWE, WITH WHOM THEY REVIEWED RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING THE VISIT LAST MONTH OF UGANDA PRESIDENT MUSEVENI.

4. ON THE SAME DAY, THE SRSG, ACCOMPANIED BY COL. DIARRA, THE UNAMIR CIVPOL COMMISSIONER, MET WITH THE RWANDESE VICE-PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR, COL. ALEXIS KANYARENGWE, TO DISCUSS AMONG OTHER THINGS UNAMIR'S ASSISTANCE IN THE TRAINING OF RWANDA'S COMMUNAL POLICE.

5. AT THE MEETING HELD BETWEEN THE SRSG AND THE RWANDESE PRESIDENT ON 14 SEPTEMBER, THE PRESIDENT WELCOMED THE SRSG'S PROPOSED PLAN FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF CONDITIONS IN RWANDESE PRISONS. THEY ALSO DISCUSSED THE RECENT VISIT TO RWANDA OF THE UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES, MRS. SADAOKO OGATA. THE PRESIDENT WELCOMED HER PROPOSALS AND STATED THAT RWANDA WAS READY TO ATTEND THE TRIPARTITE MEETING BETWEEN UNHCR, RWANDA AND ZAIRE SCHEDULED LATER THIS MONTH IN GENEVA.

WEEKLY SITREP
28 AUGUST - 3 SEPTEMBER 1995
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

A. CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT IN RWANDA

1. THE PRIME MINISTER OF RWANDA, MR. FAUSTIN TWAGIRAMUNGU, IN A LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE RWANDESE PRESIDENT DATED 28 AUGUST, RESIGNED FROM HIS GOVERNMENT POSITION. MR. TWAGIRAMUNGU IS A MODERATE HUTU AND CHAIRMAN OF THE MDR PARTY, THE MAIN OPPOSITION PARTY UNDER THE FORMER RWANDESE REGIME.

2. THE RWANDESE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, IN A COMMUNIQUE DATED 28 AUGUST 1995, DECLARED THAT THE PRESIDENT OF RWANDA HAD RELIEVED THE RWANDESE PRIME MINISTER OF HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES AT 15H00 ON MONDAY 28 AUGUST. IN ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT, THE RWANDESE MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND COMMUNAL DEVELOPMENT SUBMITTED A LETTER OF RESIGNATION TO THE PRESIDENT OF RWANDA DATED 28 AUGUST 1995.

3. IN A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY THE OFFICE OF THE RWANDESE PRESIDENT ON 29 AUGUST 1995, IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE FOLLOWING FOUR MINISTERS HAD LEFT THE GOVERNMENT TO ASSUME OTHER DUTIES: THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND COMMUNAL DEVELOPMENT, THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE, THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION (AND GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN), AND THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS. THE MINISTERS HOLD DIFFERENT POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS, BUT THREE OF THE FOUR ARE OF THE SAME HUTU ETHNIC ORIGIN AS THE FORMER RWANDESE PRIME MINISTER.

4. ON 31 AUGUST, THE SRSG ATTENDED THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF THE NEW PRIME MINISTER OF RWANDA, MR. PIERRE-CELESTIN RWIGEMA (MDR), AS WELL AS OTHER NEWLY-APPOINTED MINISTERS: THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION, MR. JEAN-PIERRE BIZIMANA (MDR); THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE, MME. MARTHE MUKAMURENZI; THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS, MR. CHARLES MURIGANDE (RPF); THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND COMMUNAL DEVELOPMENT, MR. ALEXIS KANYARENGWE (RPF); THE MINISTER OF PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION, MR. LAURIEN NGIRABANZI (MDR), AND THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC FUNCTION, MR. CHEIK ABDUL KARIM HARELIMANA (RPF).

5. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE CHANGES, RADIO RWANDA ANNOUNCED ON 31 AUGUST THAT THE MINISTER OF REHABILITATION AND SOCIAL REINTEGRATION, DR. JACQUES BIHOZAGARA (RPF) AND THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AND COOPERATIVE MOVEMENTS, MR. PATRICK MAZIMPAKA (RPF), HAD EXCHANGED MINISTERIAL PORTFOLIOS.

6. RADIO RWANDA ANNOUNCED ON 1 SEPTEMBER THAT THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO RWANDA, MR. DAVID RAWSON, HAS DECLARED HIS GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT FOR THE NEW RWANDESE GOVERNMENT FOLLOWING THE CABINET RESHUFFLING THIS WEEK. HE REPORTEDLY PRAISED THE NEW RWANDESE PRIME MINISTER AND STATED THAT THE CHANGES WOULD IMPROVE THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN RWANDA.

B. OTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN RWANDA

1. ON 28 AUGUST, THE SRSG MET WITH THE SPECIAL RAPporteur FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN RWANDA, MR. RENE DEGNI-SEGUI, AND THE CHIEF OF THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD OPERATION IN RWANDA, MR. WILLIAM CLARANCE, TO DISCUSS THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN RWANDA. LATER, HE MET WITH THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF RWANDATEL TO DISCUSS RADIO UNAMIR'S CAPABILITIES FOR BROADCASTING INTO THE NEIGHBOURING REFUGEE CAMPS. THE SRSG ALSO MET WITH THE RWANDESE MINISTERS OF INTERIOR, AND REHABILITATION AND SOCIAL REINTEGRATION.

2. THE CHIEF PROSECUTOR FOR THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA, JUDGE RICHARD GOLDSTONE, ARRIVED IN KIGALI ON 30 AUGUST WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE TRIBUNAL, JUDGE LAITY KAMA, TO HOLD CONSULTATIONS WITH SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON THE TRIBUNAL'S OPERATIONS IN RWANDA. THEY WILL BE ACCOMPANIED TO THESE MEETINGS BY THE SRSG WHO HAS ALREADY GIVEN THEM A BRIEFING ON THE GENERAL SITUATION IN RWANDA.

3. THE PROSECUTOR, DEPUTY PROSECUTOR AND PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA LEFT KIGALI ON 1 SEPTEMBER TO VISIT THE SEAT OF THE TRIBUNAL LOCATED IN ARUSHA, TANZANIA. THEY WERE ACCOMPANIED BY REPRESENTATIVES FROM UN HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK AND THE OFFICE OF THE SRSG. FOLLOWING AN INSPECTION OF THE PREMISES, THE PROSECUTOR AND PRESIDENT OF THE TRIBUNAL ENDED THEIR OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE REGION.