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INFORMATION SUMMARY DATED 29 OCTOBER 1994

POLITICAL

1. THE PRIME MINISTER VISITED GIKONGORO AND CYANGUGU OVER THE PERIOD 25 - 26 OCT. IT WAS NOT REPORTED WHAT THE PURPOSE OF THE VISITS WAS.

2. THE LOCAL RPA BN COMD PROMISED TO SPEAK TO LOCALS IN GISOVU GR 2952, KIBUYE AND KARONGI GR 2768 IN AN ATTEMPT TO DEFUSE THE SITUATION IN THOSE AREAS. FRAFBAT SUBSEQUENTLY REPORTED THAT THE POPULATION OF GISOVO WAS LEAVING THE AREA AND 500 PEOPLE FROM THERE HAD GATHERED IN MUBUGA GR 2463.

REFUGEES

3. REFUGEES IN BOTH RUGABANO GR 4266 AND BIRAMBO GR 4763 CAMPS HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE ULTIMATUM TO VACATE CAMP BY THE 29TH. MILOBS 4B REPORTED (28 OCT) THAT THE RPA INTENDED TO CONDUCT CORDON AND SEARCH OPS IN RUGABANO IN LINE WITH THE ULTIMATUM. THE DP'S REQUESTED PROTECTION BY FRAFBAT. STOP PRESS: REPORT AT 291630 OCT THAT THE CAMP AT RUGABANO HAD BEEN VACATED WITHOUT INCIDENT.

4. MILOBS 4B REPORT (28 OCT) THAT THE RPA ARE PURSUING THE DP'S EXPELLED FROM THE NDABA CAMP ON 18 OCT, WHO ARE STILL IN THE SURROUNDING VILLAGES, TO PREVENT THEM FROM REGROUPING.

5. GHANBAT REPORTED ON 27 OCT THAT 200 PEOPLE ARRIVED AT THE RUKONDO CAMP GR 5538 IN THE LAST 48 HOURS FROM KIGOMA GR 7749, MURAMA GR 6649 AND NYABISINDU GR 7040 COMMUNES. THEY REPORTED KILLINGS AND HARASSMENT BY THE RPA. THEY ALSO REPORTED 12 LOCALS KILLED ON 24 OCT AND BURIED IN A GRAVE IN KIGOMA. COMMENT: A LOCAL UNHCR OFFICIAL HAS RECENTLY REPORTED TO TAC HQ DURING OF HOMEWARD MEETINGS THAT REFUGEES ARE NOT PREPARED TO RETURN TO THE GITARAMA PREFECTURE. RECORDS AT TAC HQ SHOW THE FOLLOWING IN RELATION TO THE THREE COMMUNES MENTIONED ABOVE:

A. ON 29 SEPT TWO DP'S RETURNED TO RUKONDO CAMP FROM NYABISINDU CLAIMING THAT DISPLACED HUTUS WERE HARASSED BY SOME RPA AND LOCALS.

B. MILOBS INVESTIGATED CLAIMS OF MOLESTATION BY RPA OF REFUGEES AT MURAMA ON 29 SEP. THEY REPORTED THAT FRESH MOLESTATIONS WERE OBSERVED IN THE MURAMA PRISON AND THE VILLAGE OF NYABISINDU. RPA WERE SAID TO USE LOCAL TUTSI GUIDES WHO KNEW THE AREA.

C. REPORT OF REFUGEES RETURNING TO KABILIZI CAMP GR 5935 FROM MURAMA ON 28 SEP BECAUSE OF BEATINGS BY RPA - HEALING INJURIES WERE VISIBLE.

D. ON 9 OCT REFUGEES RETURNED TO KAMWAMBI CAMP GR 6331 FROM NYABISINDU. RUSATIRA GR 7431

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AND RUHASHYA GR 7025. THEY CLAIMED EXACTION
AS THEIR REASON.

E. ON 10 OCT MILOB SECTOR 3 REPORTED THAT
THE INTERAHAMWE TRAVEL TO MURAMA FROM
GIKONGORO, ROBBING AND STEALING FROM DP'S.

F. ON 24 OCT LOCALS CLAIMED THAT THEY WERE
BEING CHARGED CASH FOR RELIEF SUPPLIES IN
MURAMA.

RPA ACTIVITY

6. THE FOLLOWING ARRESTS WERE MADE BY THE RPA
DURING THE PERIOD:

A. ON 24 OCT THE BUTARE GENDARMES ARRESTED
NABYANDA FRANCISCO, A RESIDENT OF RUNYINYA
COMMUNE IN RELATION TO A MURDER INVESTIGATION.

B. SECTOR 3 HQ REPORTED (27 OCT) THAT A
MILOB TEAM VISITED TAMBWE GR 7563 TO
INVESTIGATE A NUMBER OF ARRESTS IN THE QEM.#
THEY COULD FIND NO RECORD OF TWO PEOPLE THEY
KNEW TO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED BY THE RPA. THEIR
RECORDS DID SHOW THAT BETWEEN 19 -27 OCT, 81
PERSONS HAD BEEN ARRESTED.

C. THREE REFUGEES FROM KIBEHO GR 5007, BEING
TRANSPORTED TO THEIR HOME COMMUNE ON AN IOM
TRUCK, WERE ARRESTED ON 27 OCT AT KIZI GR 6120.
THEY WERE NGENZIRABONA, KAREMERA AND

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D. LOCALS IN KARENGERA GR 9321 APPREHENDED A LOCAL BUSINESSMAN ON 28 OCT FOR ALLEGEDLY COMMITTING BANDITRY. THE RPA SEARCHED HIS HOUSE AND FOUND A MACHINE GUN. THEY KEPT THE WEAPON BUT RELEASED THE MALE, SAYING THAT THERE WERE MANY REPORTS OF RPA ARRESTING AND KILLING PEOPLE. MILOBS INTERVIEWED THE MALE WHO CLAIMED HE HAD BOUGHT THE GUN FROM THE INTERAHAMWE DURING THE WAR.

E. ETHIOBAT REPORTED THAT AT 271500 HRS. THE RPA TOOK TWO CIVILIANS WITH THEIR HANDS TIED, FROM THE GAFUNZO HOSPITAL GR 8935 TO CYANGUGU.

7. THE FOLLOWING REPORTS OF ATTACKS BY RPA SOLDIERS WERE RECEIVED DURING THE PERIOD:-

A. SEE PARA 5 ABOVE.

B. A 15 YEAR OLD YOUTH WAS SHOT AND WOUNDED NEAR GISOVU GR 2852. HE SUFFERED GUNSHOT WOUNDS TO HIS BACK AND LEFT THIGH. WHEN INTERVIEWED BY MILOBS HE CLAIMED HE WAS ONE OF A NUMBER OF PEOPLE SHOT BY THE RPA ON 25 OCT NEAR GISOVU AFTER COLLECTING RELIEF SUPPLIES FROM GISHYITA GR 2161. THE RPA PREVENTED MILOBS FROM VISITING A SITE ALLEGED TO BE THE BURIAL GROUND FOR THOSE KILLED.

C. THE RPA REPORTEDLY KILLED A NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN RUSHISHI GR 2557 AND GISOVU GR 2952 ON 25 OCT. 19 BODIES WERE FOUND IN THE AREA ALTHOUGH MILOBS SAY THE FIGURE KILLED COULD BE HIGHER.

D. GHANBAT REPORTED (26 OCT) THAT ONE LOCAL WAS KILLED AND 30 ABDUCTED AT CYAFURWE GR 5317 ON 25 OCT. LOCALS CONFIRMED THAT THE RPA WERE RESPONSIBLE.

E. GHANBAT ALSO REPORTED (26 OCT) THAT 4 LOCALS MURDERED IN AN AMBUSH ON THEIR WAY TO KIBEHO MARKET GR 5007 FROM BUREMERA GR 5618. SORGHUM, WHEAT AND TOMATOES WERE TAKEN AWAY. ABOUT 10 LOCALS HAVE BEEN REPORTED ABDUCTED WITHIN THE LAST TWO MONTHS FROM BUREMERA AND ITS SURROUNDING AREAS. THEY ARE SUSPECTED TO HAVE BEEN ABDUCTED BY THE RPA.

F. ETHIOBAT REPORTED THAT THE RPA KILLED 5 CIVILIANS ON 27 OCT NEAR THE KAMEMBE COMMUNAL OFFICE AT GR 8131. REASON WAS APPARENTLY BECAUSE THEY HAD EARLIER WOUNDED A SOLDIER.

G. FRAFBAT PATROL FOUND 18 BODIES AT THE KIBUYE CROSSROADS GR 2756 ON 28 OCT. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION THEY WERE KILLED ON NIGHT 25 OCT BY RPA ELEMENTS.

COMMENT: RE PARAS D AND E ABOVE. TAC HQ RECORDS SHOW THAT ON 10 OCT, EIGHT RPA AND 3 CIVILIANS ARRESTED 5 LOCALS AND STOLE BELONGINGS IN CYAFURWE. AN OLD LADY, DISCOVERED BY A GHANBAT PATROL TIED UP, TOLD THEM THAT THE RPA HAD TAKEN HER HUSBAND AND TWO SONS TO THE RPA CAMP IN RAMBA GR 5914. BOTH CYAFURWE AND BUREMERA ARE WITHIN ABOUT 6 KM OF RAMBA.

8. MILOBS 4B REPORT (27 OCT) THAT THERE IS NOW A COY PLUS OF RPA DEPLOYED IN AND AROUND GISOVU GR 2952 AND RUSHISHI GR 2557. MOST ARE DRESSED IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES AND THEY HAVE OCCUPIED ALL THE HOUSES ABANDONED BY PEOPLE WHO HAVE FLED DUE TO THE RISE IN TENSION. (SEE PARA 2 ABOVE)

RGF ACTIVITY

9. SECTOR 3 HQ REPORTED ON 28 OCT THAT THE INTERAHAMWE ARE STEALING CATTLE ALONG THE RIVER IN THE AREA OF MUGINA GR 9386. NO FURTHER DETAIL WAS PROVIDED.
10. LT FRANCIS (SECURITY OFFICER BUTARE PREFECTURE) REPORTED THE FOLLOWING INCIDENTS:

A. ON 26 OCT IN GISHAMVU GR 6404, TWO PERSONS WERE KILLED BY A GROUP OF PERSONS. (NAMES OF VICTIMS AND KILLERS PROVIDED)

B. FOUR PERSONS KILLED BY TWO PERSONS IN MUBUMBANO GR 6806 ON 27 OCT. (NAMES OF VICTIMS AND ONE KILLER PROVIDED. OTHER KILLER ESCAPED.)

C. AT SHEKE GR 6303 THREE PERSONS WERE KILLED. NFD.

11. AT 270900 HRS OCT, 3 LOCALS THREW 4 GRENADES AT RUSEKE GR 5100. 9 LOCALS WERE INJURED AND TREATED BY 23 PFA AT KIBEHO GR 5007. THE INCIDENTS HAVE BEEN RELATED TO PEOPLE FROM ANOTHER

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VILLAGE SELLING BEER IN RUSEKE. A GHANBAT CORDON AND SEARCH OF THE AREA RESULTED IN THE CAPTURE OF THE THREE CULPRITS.

12. LOCALS AT NKOMERO GR 4334 AND SEKERA GR 4234 REPORTED TO GHANBAT (28 OCT) THAT THE ATMOSPHERE WAS TENSE IN THE AREA DUE TO THE PRESENCE OF STRANGE PERSONS. AN OLD LADY WAS APPARENTLY KILLED BY UNIDENT ELEMENTS ON 24 OCT.

OVERALL COMMENT

13. THE RPA APPEAR TO BE INTENT ON FORCIBLY CLEARING THE REFUGEE CAMPS, AT LEAST IN SECTOR 4B. THERE IS NO CONFIRMATION YET THAT BIRAMBO GR 4763 WAS CLEARED ON 29 OCT. THE SOUS-PREFECT OF BIRAMBO HAD EMPHASISED THE ULTIMATUM FOR THEM TO LEAVE BY 29 OCT AT A MEETING ON 25 OCT.

14. THE STATED REASONS FOR REFUGEES RETURNING TO CAMPS FROM THE GITARAMA PREFECTURE ARE RELATED PREDOMINANTLY TO RPA ACTIVITY IN THE COMMUNES THERE. THIS IS ONE OF ONLY TWO REPORTS IN TWO WEEKS OF REFUGEES RETURNING TO CAMPS. THE OTHER WAS AT NDAGO GR 5201 ON 21 OCT. INVESTIGATIONS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED INTO THE REPORTED INCIDENTS AT KIGOMA, MURAMA AND NYABISINDU.

14. THE LARGE NUMBER OF ATTACKS REPORTEDLY BY RPA SOLDIERS IS OF CONCERN. AGAIN, IN THE MAJORITY OF CASES, THERE IS SUFFICIENT DETAIL PROVIDED TO PROVE OR DISPROVE THE ALLEGATIONS.

15. THE SITUATION IN SECTORS THREE AND FOUR IS STILL QUITE TENSE IN TERMS OF THE INSTABILITY CAUSED BY THE NUMEROUS KILLINGS AND ATTACKS. THE SITUATION MAY EASE WITH THE PLANNED DEPLOYMENT OF
ADDITIONAL UNAMIR TPS TO THE SECTOR.

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