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FROM : MILOB SUB SECTOR 3A SITREP NO : 130
TO : SECTOR 3 DATE: 14 MAY 95
SUBJECT: SITREP COVERING PERIOD 131800 TO 141800 MAY 95.

1. GENERAL SITUATION. THE SITUATION IS CALM ALTHOUGH FEAR AND APPREHENSION OF INSECURITY PREVAILS AMONG THE LOCALS IN THE PREFECTURE AS BEFORE.
2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES. THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF RWANDA VISITED THIS PREFECTURE TODAY TO ATTEND THE RE-BURIAL CEREMONIES IN RWAMATAMU(1557). IN ATTENDANCE WERE A PLETHORA OF LOCAL OFFICIALS, MINISTERS FROM KIGALI, PEOPLE TRANSPORTED FROM KIGALI AND THE STANDARD MILITARY HIERARCHY.
3. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES.
 - A. RPA.
 - i. CARRYING OUT FOOT AND MOBILE PATROLS IN THE PREFECTURE. THE SOLDIERS AT THE LOCAL CAMP ARE DOING A LOT DRILL, POSSIBLY PREPARING FOR SOME PARADE ON 14 MAY DURING THE RE-BURIAL CEREMONIES.
 - ii. A LOT OF .50 cal, AT LEAST FOUR, WERE SEEN AROUND KIBUYE IN PREPARATION FOR THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S AND MINISTERS' ARRIVAL.
 - B. FRGE. NTR.
 - C. OTHERS. NIL
4. OWN ACTIVITIES.

A. TODAY THE THREE PATROLS WENT TO THE RE-BURIAL CEREMONIES IN NGOMA(2159) AND MABUGA(2463) AND RWAMATAMU(1557). THE

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DIGNITARIES ATTENDED THE CEREMONIES. THERE WERE NUMEROUS SPEECHES AND THE CEREMONIES WERE ATTENDED BY APPROXIMATELY 300, 300 AND 3000 RESPECTIVELY.

5. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

6. CIVIL AFFAIRS. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS. UNAMIR VEH'S 1080, 1071, 1051, 1082, AND 1278 ARE IN THE WORKSHOP AWAITING MAINTENANCE/REPAIR. COMMUNICATION IN CHANNEL 10 IS FUNCTIONING BUT WE WOULD OBVIOUSLY PREFER TO HAVE OUR OWN CHANNEL AS BEFORE.

8. MISCELLANEOUS

STRENGTH RETURNS.

A. MILOBS

(1)	POSTED STRENGTH	-	24
(2)	ON CTO/LEAVE	-	08
(3)	SICK/HOSPITAL ADMISSION/LOCALLY	-	00
(4)	ON DUTY IN KIGALI	-	01
(5)	POSTED BUT NOT YET REPORTED	-	02
(6)	AWAITING REPATRIATION AT END OF TOUR	-	00
(7)	PRESENT	-	13

B. CIVPOL

(1)	POSTED STRENGTH	-	04
(2)	ON CTO/LEAVE	-	01
(3)	ON DUTY KIGALI	-	02
(4)	PRESENT	-	01

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FROM : MILOB SECTOR 3A SITREP NO : 105
TO : SECTOR 3 HQ GITARAMA DATE: 17 APR 95
SUBJECT: SITREP COVERING PERIOD 161800 TO 171800 APR 95.

1. GENERAL SITUATION. THE OVERALL SITUATION THROUGHOUT THE PREFECTURE APPEARS CALM.

2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES. NTR.

3. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES.

A. RPA.

(1) CONTINUING WITH DAY AND NIGHT FOOT AND MOBILE PATROLS.

(2) TRAINING IS CONTINUING IN THE CAMP IN KIBUYE.

B. FRGE. NTR.

C. OTHERS. NIL

4. OWN ACTIVITIES.

A. TODAY ONE CONFIDENCE PATROL WENT TO THE COMMUNE OF GITESI COMMUNE AND ONE WENT THROUGH GISHYITA COMMUNE. ONE VERY PERTINENT OBSERVATION IS THE CONDITION OF THE ROADS. WITH THE INCREASED RAINFALL, THE INTERIOR ROADS AND THE ROAD TO CYANGUGU HAVE BECOME IMPASSABLE IN SOME SPOTS AND ARE EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

B. THE TEAM SENT YESTERDAY TO INVESTIGATE AN ARREST IN KIBUYE RETURNED WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION. THE INDIVIDUAL ARRESTED IS AN EMPLOYEE OF WFP. HIS PARENTS HOUSE HAD BEEN VISITED TWICE BY RPA AND THE FATHER HAD BEEN INTIMIDATED. IT APPEARS THEY WANTED THE USE OF HIS HOUSE FOR SOME REASON (DETAILS WERE NOT EASILY

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OBTAINED). THE PARENTS HAVE APPARENTLY FLED TO ZAIRE; HOWEVER, THE SON, AS HE IS A RELATIVE, WAS ARRESTED IN LIEU OF THE FATHER. HE IS BEING HELD AT THE COMMUNAL PRISON.

C. ANOTHER TEAM LEARNED THAT IN MARA (GR 2068) ON 10 APR, ON MAN WAS SEVERELY INJURED AS HE TRIED TO DEFEND HIS LIVESTOCK FROM THEFT. THE MAN WAS SHOT IN THE HEAD AND BOTH HIS ARMS WERE BROKEN. THIS INFORMATION WAS CONFIRMED AT THE KIBUYE HOSPITAL. THE DETAILS OF THE ROBBERY (WHO WERE THE ATTACKERS) WERE NOT GIVEN.

WHILE AT THE HOSPITAL IT WAS ALSO LEARNED THAT TWO OTHER PATIENTS WERE ADMITTED FOR GUNSHOT WOUNDS BUT WOULD NOT GIVE ANY DETAILS AS TO HOW THEY HAPPENED FOR FEAR OF RPA REPERCUSSION.

5. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

6. CIVIL AFFAIRS. NTR

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WEEKLY PATROL PROGRAMME
FROM 17 APR TO 23 APR 95

DATE/ DUTY T	PATROL TEAM	DESTINATION/ROUTE	REMARKS
17 APR B	A	GISHYITA COMMUNE	CONFIDENCE PATROL
	C	MABANZA COMMUNE	CONFIDENCE PATROL
	D	GITESI COMMUNE	CONFIDENCE PATROL
18 APR C	A	RUTONDE(GR 5880)	INVESTIGATE LOCAL SITUATION
	B	BUTEMBO(GR 1254)	INVESTIGATE LANDINGS
	D	KIBINGO(3080)	MEET LOCAL LEADERS
19 APR D	A	MUHIRA(GR 4283)	SPEAK WITH LOC POPULATION
	B	KAVUMU(GR 3354)	INVESTIGATE PRESENT SITUATION
	C	KAGUNGA(GR 5038)	MEET LOCAL LEADERS
20 APR A	B	RUBOREGA(GR 1258)	INVESTIGATE LANDINGS
	C	BIRAMBO(GR 4673) AND BWAKIRA(5081)	GEN LOCAL INFO
	D	MARA(GR 5487) AND MURANGARA(GR 667)	LOCAL SIT
21 APR B	A	RUSHISHI(GR 2558)	MEET WITH LOCAL LEADERS
	C	MUTUNTU(GR 3553)	TALK WITH LOCAL LEADERS
	D	MPEMBE(GR 1865)	INVESTIGATE SITUATION
22 APR C	A	BWIZA(GR 3694)	EARLY DEPARTURE - 0700
	B	NYAMATSHINDE(GR 1548)	GENERAL INFO
	D	NYAUBUYE(3587) AND GITESI(GR 2871)	MEET LOCAL LEADERS
23 APR D	A	GISHYITA COMMUNE	CONFIDENCE PATROL
	B	MABANZA COMMUNE	CONFIDENCE PATROL
	C	GITESI COMMUNE	CONFIDENCE PATROL

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FROM : HQ SECTOR 3, GITARAMA

SUBJECT: IMPENDING CHANGE OF COMMAND, RPA 301 BDE

DATE : 07 MAY 95

1. A CONFIRMED REPORT INDICATES THAT COL CHARLES NGOGA, CDR RPA 301 BDE (GITARAMA-KIBUYE) IS BEING POSTED TO BUTARE TO TAKE COMMAND OF THE RPA BDE AT THAT LOCATION WITH EFFECT 08 MAY 95. UNCONFIRMED SOURCES INDICATE THAT HIS PRESENT APPOINTMENT WILL BE TAKEN OVER BY LT COL CHARLES KALONGA, CO RPA BN GISENYI, WITHOUT CHANGE IN RANK. IN THE LIGHT OF THE RECENT INCIDENTS IN KIBEHO, AN AREA CONTROLLED BY THE RPA BDE AT BUTARE, THIS CHANGE OF COMMAND APPEARS SIGNIFICANT. IT MAY THEREFORE BE USEFUL FOR ALL CONCERNED UNAMIR AGENCIES TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE NEW RPA BDE CDR IN BUTARE.

DETAILED PERSONALITY SKETCH-COL CHARLES NGOGA

2. MY KNOWLEDGE OF COL CHARLES NGOGA IS BASED UPON AN APPROXIMATELY 6 MONTH LONG ASSOCIATION IN GITARAMA--AN ASSOCIATION WHICH HAS RESULTED IN, I HOPE, A LASTING FRIENDSHIP BASED ON MUTUAL RESPECT. TOGETHER WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SOLVE SOME VERY TRICKY SITUATIONS WHICH TO HIS CREDIT, WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT HIS VERY COOPERATIVE ATTITUDE. HOWEVER, THIS SHOULD NOT MISLEAD ANYONE TO THINK THAT COL NGOGA'S ATTITUDE CAN BE TAKEN FOR GRANTED. HE HAS BEEN MOST INTRANSIGENT IN SOME SITUATIONS, SPECIALLY THOSE INVOLVING MILOBS AND HUMAN RIGHTS INVESTIGATIONS OF ARRESTS AND OTHERS SUCH AS THE ENTRY OF HUTU CIVILIANS INTO THE HQ SECTOR 3 COMPLEX FOR PROTECTION.

3. COL NGOGA ADMITS THAT AT 34 HE IS VERY YOUNG TO BE IN COMMAND OF A BRIGADE. HE WAS EDUCATED IN UGANDA AND THUS SPEAKS FLUENT ENGLISH. HIS PERFORMANCE DURING THE WAR, AS CO 107 RPA BN IS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN EXEMPLARY AS WERE HIS ACHIEVEMENTS AS A YOUNG GUERRILLA COMMANDER IN THE BUSH WAR DURING THE RPA'S EARLIER CONFRONTATION WITH THE RGF. HE IS MARRIED AND HAS A 3 YEAR OLD DAUGHTER. THE FAMILY RESIDES AT KIGALI WITH HIS PARENTS. HIS FATHER IS AN EDUCATED AND SOPHISTICATED MAN BUT HIS EXACT POSITION AND PROFESSION IS NOT KNOWN. COL NGOGA'S SISTER RECENTLY GRADUATED IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM UGANDA. IT APPEARS THAT HIS FAMILY DID NOT SUFFER ANY LOSSES DURING THE WAR (THIS IS UNCONFIRMED).

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4. DURING THE EARLY PART OF OUR ASSOCIATION I GAUGED COL NGOGA AS A MODERATE. HOWEVER WITH REPEATED MEETINGS AND REACTIONS TO SOME SITUATIONS, MORE SPECIFICALLY THE ISSUE OF OVERCROWDING IN GITARAMA PRISON, COL NGOGA APPEARED MORE AND MORE A HARDLINER. HE APPEARED TO BE DELIBERATELY AIRING HIS VIEWS TO BE SEEN TO BE A HARDLINER. HIS VIEWS SOMETIMES BORDERED ON THE BIZARRE. HE POINTEDLY EXPRESSED HIS ANNOYANCE ABOUT MY CONCERN FOR THE STATE OF THE PRISON AND FELT THAT IF HE WAS A PART OF THE TOP LEADERSHIP HE WOULD GAS ALL PRISONERS TO DEATH, AS THEY WERE GUILTY OF THE MOST HEINOUS CRIMES. MY VIEWS THAT RESPONSIBLE AND CIVILIZED COUNTRIES FOLLOWED A JUDICIAL SYSTEM FOR FAIR TRIALS AND THAT ALL PERSONS ARRESTED COULD NOT BE ASSUMED TO BE GUILTY OF GENOCIDE, WERE MET BY A TIRADE ON HOW I WAS NOT QUALIFIED TO SPEAK ON THIS SINCE I HAD NEVER WITNESSED THE KILLING OF MY FAMILY MEMBERS. SUCH DISCUSSIONS WERE USUALLY MADE IN THE PRESENCE OF MEMBERS OF OTHER UN AGENCIES. IT APPEARED TO ME THAT COL NGOGA WAS TRYING TO ESTABLISH HIMSELF AS ONE OF THOSE WHO SUFFERED THE GENOCIDE, OSTENSIBLY TO GIVE GREATER WEIGHTAGE TO HIS VIEWS AND TO BE SEEN AS A HARDLINER, WHICH I FEEL AT HEART HE IS NOT.

5. COL NGOGA APPEARS TO HAVE A DEEP RESPECT FOR MILITARY OBSERVERS, JUST ABOUT TOLERATES FORMED TROOPS (HE WAS NEVER TOO HAPPY WITH MALI COY) AND TOTALLY ABHORS HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORS. IN THE LIGHT OF HIS NEGATIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS FRANCOPHONE COUNTRIES (MALI) HIS FUTURE DEALINGS WITH SENBATT TOO MAY BE COLOURED BY THIS ATTITUDE.

6. INTRESTINGLY, COL NGOGA WAS A FIRM SUPPORTER OF OP RETOUR AND DURING ITS DYING DAYS FELT THAT UNAMIR WAS DRAGGING ITS FEET. HE WAS ALL FOR THE FORCIBLE CLOSURE OF THE IDP CAMPS.

7. ON THE OTHER SIDE, COL NGOGA HAS A VERY FRIENDLY DISPOSITION. HE, HOWEVER, IS A FIRM BELIEVER IN FORM AND INSISTED UPON A SYSTEM OF APPOINTMENTS BEFORE MEETINGS. HE CARED LITTLE FOR OFFICERS BELOW RANK OF LT COL. IF HE SUSPECTED A PROBLEM RELATED TO UNAMIR HE MADE IT A POINT TO FIRST APPRISE ME AND DISCUSS THE ISSUE RATHER THAN TAKE UNILATERAL ACTION. HE HAS A TENDENCY TO TREAT HIS AOR AS HIS KINGDOM. IN GITARAMA EVEN THE PREFET WAS FORCED TO CONSULT HIM BEFORE EVEN THE SMALLEST DECISIONS WERE TAKEN. HE CARES LITTLE FOR WRITTEN DIRECTIONS OF GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES OTHER THAN THE DEFENCE MINISTRY. HE APPEARS TO BE CLOSE BOTH TO BE MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND THE VICE PRSIDENT.

8. THE DECISION TO APPOINT COL NGOGA AS CDR OF THE BUTRE BDE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO DILUTE THE SITUATION IN SECTORS 4A AND 4B AND POSSIBLY BECAUSE HE IS SEEN TO BE MORE PRAGMATIC AND REASONABLE, NOTWITHSTANDING HIS EFFORTS TO SHOW THAT HE IS REALLY A HARDLINER. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT ALL UNAMIR CDRS DEALING WITH COL NGOGA SHOULD ADOPT AN ATTITUDE OF PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL

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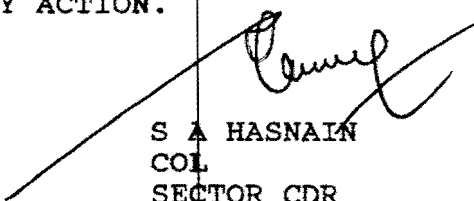
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RESPECT TOWARDS HIM WHILE DISPLAYING THEIR SYMPATHY FOR THE TUTSI CAUSE. AT THE SAME TIME THEY SHOULD ESTABLISH THEIR OWN PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS IN HIS EYES BECAUSE HE APPEARS TO RESPECT THIS. I HAD LONG DISCUSSIONS WITH HIM ON THE CONCEPTS OF LOW INTENSITY WARFARE AND THE TACTICS ADOPTED BY THE RPA DURING THE PERIOD OF THE BUSH WAR AND IMPRESSED MY VIEWS ON HIM BASED ON MY OWN EXPERIENCE OF COUNTER INSURGENCY OPERATIONS IN INDIA. HE ALWAYS SEEMED TO RELISH SUCH DISCUSSIONS WHICH WAS A MAJOR FACTOR IN BRINGING US CLOSER TOGETHER.

9. I WOULD FURTHER RECOMMEND THAT IN SITUATIONS WHERE RPA AND UNAMIR INTERESTS ARE AT VARIANCE IT WOULD BE BEST TO ATTEMPT CONVINCING COL NGOGA THROUGH INVOLVING HIM IN CONTINUOUS DISCUSSIONS. HE SOMETIMES APPEARS TO BE SLOW IN SEEING THE LIGHT BUT NORMALLY RELENTS AFTER SOME TIME. IT MAY ALSO PAY DIVIDENDS TO ENHANCE HIS EGO BY SEEKING HIS VIEWS ON SUBJECTS WHICH MAY BE SEEN TO BE INTELLECTUAL IN NATURE - RWANDESE CULTURE AND HISTORY, REASONS FOR SUCCESS OF THE RPA DURING THE BUSH WAR AND THE TACTICS ADOPTED BY THE RPA DURING THE LAST CIVIL WAR.

10. LASTLY, IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT COL NGOGA FEELS MUCH MORE COMFORTABLE IN THE COMPANY OF OFFICERS FROM ASIA AND AFRICA AND IS GENERALLY A LITTLE APPREHENSIVE IN HIS CONTACTS WITH LIGHT SKINNED PEOPLE.

11. A COPY OF THIS MEMO IS BEING ENDORSED TO SENIOR OFFICERS AT YOUR HQ FOR THEIR INFORMATION AND NECESSARY ACTION.



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FROM : MILOB SECTOR 3A SITREP NO : 102
TO : SECTOR 3 HQ GITARAMA DATE: 14 APR 95
SUBJECT: SITREP COVERING PERIOD 131800 TO 141800 MAR 95.

1. GENERAL SITUATION. THE OVERALL SITUATION THROUGHOUT THE PREFECTURE IS CALM. THE TENSION BUILT UP BEFORE THE ANNIVERSARY IS STILL PRESENT BUT NOT AS INTENSE.
2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES. NTR.
3. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES.
 - A. RPA.
 - (1) CONTINUING WITH DAY AND NIGHT FOOT AND MOBILE PATROLS.
 - (2) TRAINING IS CONTINUING IN THE CAMP IN KIBUYE.
 - (3) THERE ARE TWO CHECKPOINTS THAT HAVE BEEN REACTIVATED IN THE PAST TWO DAYS. ONE IS JUST OUTSIDE KIBUYE AT (260700). THE SECOND IS AT MUBUGA (2463).
 - B. FRGF. NTR.
 - C. OTHERS. NIL
4. OWN ACTIVITIES.
 - A. ONE TEAM PATROLLED THE AREA TO GITARAMA. THE TEAM HAS NOT ARRIVED SO FAR.
 - B. ONE TEAM PATROLLED THE AREA OF GACUMBI (1050). THE GENERAL SITUATION WAS FOUND CALM. AFTER THE LAST SHOOTING FROM RPA AGAINST INTRUDERS A FEW WEEKS AGO NO RETURNEES TRIED TO LAND UP TILL NOW. IN RWABISINDU SECTOR (1859) UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO INTRUDED LAST WEEK (DATE NOT KNOWN) WERE NOT ONLY TRYING TO STEAL FOOD THEY WERE ALSO TRYING TO GET SOME COFFEE.

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C. ONE TEAM PATROLLED THE AREA OF MPEMBE (1766) AND MARA (2068). THE GENERAL SITUATION WAS FOUND CALM, HOWEVER SOME LOCALS ARE STILL SPENDING THEIR NIGHTS OUT IN THE FIELDS, BECAUSE OF FEAR BECOMING ARRESTED. MR HABARUREMA WAS ARRESTED ON 12 APR 95 IN MPEMBE. HE IS ACCUSED OF HAVING TAKEN PART IN THE GENOCIDE AND IS DETAINED AT RPA CAMP IN MPEMBE. LAST WEEK (DATE UNKNOWN) BANDITS LANDED AT MPEMBE AND TOOK ONE FAMILY WITH THEM.

IN REFERENCE TO YESTERDAYS SITREP CONCERNING THE KILLING OF ONE MAN BY RPA IN MURANGARA (2267) THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION TOOK PLACE: ON THE 12 APR 95 AT APPROXIMATELY 1300 HRS AT MARA (2068) RPA SOLDIERS WENT TO ARREST MR HATEGEKA WHO WAS ACCUSED OF HAVING TAKEN PART IN THE GENOCIDE. THE MAN STARTED TO RUN AWAY, HOWEVER RPA SOLDIERS GAVE CHASED HIM TO A TOP OF A HILL AND IN THE PROCESS HE FELL DOWN AND DIED. HIS BODY WAS TAKEN FROM MARA TO MURANGARA TO HIS HOME WHERE THE DECEASED HAS BEEN BURIED. NO INFORMATION COULD BE GAINED FROM RPA SO FAR. INVESTIGATION STILL IN PROCESS.

5. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. THE WFP REP, FRANCIS, WHO WAS PREVIOUSLY EXPELLED FROM THE PREFECTURE, RETURNED YESTERDAY AND HAD A DISCUSSION WITH THE PREFECT. THE PREFECT SAID THAT HIS WHOLE EXPULSION HAD BEEN A MISUNDERSTANDING AND THAT HE REALLY DIDN'T INTEND FOR FRANCIS TO LEAVE.

AT RUTSIRO COMMUNE A NEW DISPENSARY WILL START OPERATING MOST LIKELY NEXT WEEK. LOCATION: RUTSIRO VILLAGE (3988). THIS DISPENSARY WILL BE SPONSORED BY MEMISA. NO FURTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE UP TO NOW.

6. CIVIL AFFAIRS. A MEETING OF THE BOUGEMESTRES OF RWAMATAMU, GISOVU AND GISHYITA COMMUNES TOOK PLACE AT THE SUB PREFECTURE AT GOMA TODAY. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING IS UNKNOWN.

7. LOGISTICS. UNAMIR VEH'S 1080, 1071, 1051 AND 1278 ARE IN THE WORKSHOP AWAITING MAINTENANCE/REPAIR. AT PRESENT THE MALAWI COY HAVE TWO WATER BLADDERS IN KIBUYE BUT THERE IS NO PUMP TO DRAW THE WATER INTO CONTAINERS. WE REQUIRE A PUMP TO AVOID THE UNHYGIENIC METHODS OF TAKING WATER FROM THE BLADDERS THAT IS NOW EMPLOYED. WE HAVE TWO VEHICLES IN THIS LOCATION THAT ARE GROUNDED DUE TO LACK OF SPARE TIRES OR AN ABILITY TO REPAIR THE FLAT ONES. A LOCAL CONTRACT MUST BE RAISED OR GIVE MALAWI COY THE FACILITY TO REPAIR THEM. IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE, AT LEAST TWO SPARES SHOULD BE BROUGHT AND LEFT HERE FOR OUR USE/REPAIR WHEN REQUIRED.

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TO : SECTOR 3 HQ GITARAMA DATE: 07 APR 95
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2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES. POLITICAL GATHERINGS WERE NOTICED IN EVERY MAJOR TOWN COMMEMORATING THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE GENOCIDE.

THE BOURGEMEISTER OF RWAMATAMU WHO STATED THAT THE WEAPONS THE FRGF WERE RECEIVING IN ZAIRE WAS DONE WITH THE KNOWLEDGE AND SUPPORT OF UNAMIR.

3. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES.

A. RPA.

(1) CONTINUING WITH DAY AND NIGHT FOOT AND MOBILE PATROLS.

(2) THERE WAS MACHINE GUN AND SMALL ARMS FIRE LAST NIGHT AT 1900HRS IN KIBUYE AT GR 290710. WE WERE INFORMED THIS WAS REPELLING ANOTHER INCURSION FROM IJWE ISLAND.

(3) OTHER THAN THOSE GUARDING OFFICIALS NO RPA SOLDIERS CARRIED WEAPONS TODAY.

B. FRGF. NTR.

C. OTHERS. NIL

4. OWN ACTIVITIES.

GENERALLY, THIS HAS BEEN THE QUIETEST DAY FOR TWO MONTHS. THREE PATROLS WERE SENT OUT TODAY IN AN EFFORT TO SHOW UNAMIR PRESENCE THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNE. AT EVERY MAJOR TOWN THERE WERE GATHERINGS OF THOUSANDS WITH FLOWERS AND PLACARDS RENOUNCING THE GENOCIDE AND VENGANCE.

THE ONLY INCIDENT OF NOTE WAS FROM KIVUMU COMMUNE WERE

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THREE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED AT GR 3973. APPARENTLY THEY WERE ARRESTED BECAUSE THEY DID NOT HAVE LOCAL IDENTIFICATION.

5. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NO NGOs WERE WORKING TODAY DUE TO THE HOLIDAY.

6. CIVIL AFFAIRS. SUPRISINGLY THE UNAMIR PERSONNEL IN KIBUYE WERE NOT INVITED TO THE CELEBRATIONS IN THE TOWN.

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UN CONFIDENTIALMEMORANDUM

TO: FHQ/DFC/COS/G3/G2
MILOBS HQ/SSO OPS
SECTOR 3A/COL HASNAIN *← IMMEDIATE*

FROM: SECTOR 3 HQ

SUBJECT: SHOOTING INCIDENT AT GITARAMA PRISON 3 APR 95

DATE: 5 APR 95

1. THE DELAY IN SUBMITTING THIS REPORT IS REGRETTED BUT WAS UNAVOIDABLE DUE TO THE MASS OF OBSCURING RUMOUR THAT HAD TO BE WADED THROUGH BEFORE A CONGENT REPORT COULD BE WRITTEN. A JOINT MILOB/CIVPOL/HR INVESTIGATION OF THE GITARAMA PRISON INCIDENT WAS CONDUCTED WITH THE FOLLOWING PRELIMINARY RESULTS:

A. AT ABOUT 2100 HRS ON 2 APR 95, AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF PRISONERS ATTEMPTED TO ESCAPE FROM GITARAMA PRISON. SHOTS WERE FIRED AND THE ATTEMPT WAS FOILED. IT WAS CONFIRMED BY ALL POSSIBLE SOURCES THAT AT MOST ONE PRISONER WAS KILLED BY RIFLE FIRE AND THAT THIS PERSON WAS KILLED WHILE TRYING TO SCALE DOWN A ROPE BLANKET FROM THE PRISON ROOF. THERE IS SOME DESCREPANCY OVER THE EXACT TIME THAT THIS HAPPENED WITH SOME SOURCES CLAIMING THAT IT HAPPENED AT MIDNIGHT IN A SEPARATE ATTEMPT AND OTHERS CLAIMING THAT IT HAPPENED LATER,

B. IT WAS CONFIRMED BY VISUAL OBSERVATION AND INTERVIEW OF PRISON MEDICAL AUTHORITIES THAT AT LEAST FOUR PERSONS SUFFERED GUNSHOT WOUNDS WHILE TRYING TO SCALE THE WALLS ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE PRISON. SIX OTHERS SUSTAINED NON-GUNSHOT INJURIES. THIS SEEMS TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE BETWEEN 0525 AND 0545 3 APR. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE DEATH MENTIONED ABOVE OCCURRED AT THIS TIME; AND,

C. IT WAS CONFIRMED THAT THE MANY SHOTS FIRED WERE PRIMARILY WARNING SHOTS TO DISCOURAGE ANY MORE ESCAPEES.

2. WHAT CANNOT BE CONFIRMED IS THE SPECIFIC REASON FOR THE INCIDENT. THE PRISONERS CLAIMED THAT THE GUARDS FIRED SEVERAL BURST OF AUTOMATIC FIRE AT AROUND 2000HRS ON 2 APR WITHOUT APPARENT CAUSE. THIS FUELED THEIR FEAR THAT THEY WOULD BE MASSACRED BY THEIR GUARDS AND MADE MANY OF THEM DESPERATE TO ESCAPE. THEY CLAIM THAT THEY TRIED TO ESCAPE ONLY AFTER HEARING SHOTS, WHICH THEY CLAIM WERE FIRED DELIBERATELY TO PANIC THEM.

3. THE RPA VERSION CORRESPONDS TO THE PRISONERS VERSION EXCEPT FOR THE TIMES AT WHICH SHOTS WERE FIRED. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE PRISON IS GUARDED BY RPA GUARDS AND THAT THE LOCAL BDE CDR HAS AN INTIMATE KNOWLEDGE OF THE SECURITY CONCERNS OF THE PRISON AUTHORITIES. HE IS ALSO ON RECORD AS STATING THAT ALL PRISONERS ARE GUILTY OF GENOCIDE AND DESERVE NO PITY. THE RPA MAINTAIN THAT NO SHOTS WERE FIRED UNTIL THE ESCAPE ATTEMPT BEGAN. THE RPA CLAIM THAT THEY HAVE BEEN ANTICIPATING A MASS ESCAPE ATTEMPT EVER SINCE

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NOTICING THAT THE PRISONERS HAD REMOVED THE MORTAR FROM MOST OF THE WALLS. THEY BELIEVE THAT THE PRISONERS COULD JUST PUSH THE WALLS DOWN AND STAMPEDE OUT. THEY ADMIT TO FIRING A NUMBER OF ROUNDS AT 2100HRS 2 APR AND TO FIRING NEARLY 100 RDS BETWEEN 0500 AND 0545 ON 3 APR. THEY CLAIM THAT THE DEATH OCCURRED AT MIDNIGHT AND THAT NO ONE WAS INJURED IN THE EARLY MORNING SHOOTING.

4. AS IS USUAL IN THESE INCIDENTS, THE TRUTH IS PROBABLY SOME WHERE IN BETWEEN THE TWO VERSIONS. ON THE ONE HAND, THE RPA MADE EXCELLENT USE OF THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF THE PSYCHE OF THEIR OPPONENTS DURING THE LAST WAR AND IT WOULD BE QUITE IN CHARACTER FOR THEM TO PLAY ON THE FEARS OF THE PRISONERS IN A CALCULATED WAY. ON THE OTHER HAND, THERE WERE MANY ROUNDS FIRED AND RELATIVELY FEW PEOPLE HIT. HAD THE RPA DELIBERATELY ATTEMPTED TO PANIC THEIR PRISONERS INTO A DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE, IT IS LIKELY THAT THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN MANY MORE DEAD AND WOUNDED THAN THERE ACTUALLY WERE.

5. WHATEVER THE TRUTH OF THE EVENTS, IT IS EVIDENT THAT A DYNAMIC OF FEAR HAS BEGUN TO REINFORCE THE ALREADY EXISTING FEARS OF BOTH PARTIES. EACH ACTION BY ONE SIDE REINFORCES THE FEARS OF THE OTHER. THE PROVERB THAT WHEN THE WOLF SMILES, THE SHEEP SEE HIS TEETH DESCRIBES WHAT APPEARS TO BE HAPPENING. IN THIS CASE, THE CONDITIONS INSIDE THE WALLS ARE SO BAD THAT LEAST DISTURBANCE MAY HAVE AN EXAGGERATED EFFECT. THE NORMAL DEATH RATE HAS RECENTLY INCREASED MARKEDLY AND THIS MAY BE ADDING TO THE DESPERATION OF THE PRISONERS. LACKING A SYSTEM OF JUSTICE THAT OFFERS THEM SOME HOPE OF FAIR TREATMENT, THEY FACE EITHER LINGERING DEATH AS A RESULT OF THE LIVING CONDITIONS OR IMMEDIATE DEATH AT THE HANDS OF THEIR GUARDS. LACKING HOPE, THEY HAVE LITTLE TO GAIN FROM COOPERATION.

6. THE PRISON AUTHORITIES AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS TEAM ARE COOPERATING IN AN ATTEMPT TO REDUCE THE TENSION BY ADDRESSING THE PRISONERS AND EXPLAINING THAT THERE IS LITTLE TO BE GAINED FROM TRYING TO ESCAPE. IN FACT, MILOBS HAVE OBSERVED A PLATOON SIZED AMBUSH SET UP OUTSIDE OF THE PRISON WALLS. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE CONSEQUENCE OF A MASS ESCAPE ATTEMPT WOULD BE LARGE NUMBERS OF DEATHS AT THE HANDS OF THIS PLATOON.

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