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BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

le 8 août, 1963.

Monsieur l'Ambassadeur,

Je vous envoie ci-joint, comme je vous ai promis hier, la liste du groupe de l' "Imperial Defence College", qui se rend à Leopoldville le 12 Août, ainsi que le programme de leur tournés en Afrique. Comme vous veniez, le chef est Major-General D.S. Gordon, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., qui est un des sous-directeurs du College.

Je vous suis tres se connaissant d'avoir bien voulu accepter de les recevoir; et nous viendrons au Royale à 3 heures, Lundi après-midi.

Veuillez agreer, Monsieur l'Ambassadeur, les assurances de ma trés haute considération,

Michael Rose

(E. M. Rose).

Son Excellence,
Monsieur M.H. Dorsinville.

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	4	Londres

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Major-General D.S. Gordon, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O.
(Senior Army Instructor Imperial Defence College since 1962.

Brigadier R.S. Broke, O.B.E., M.C., B.A.
Commander Royal Artillery 1st (British) Corps since 1961.

Captain J.H. Adams, M.V.O., R.N.
1960 in command of H.M. Underwater Detection Establishment and subsequently amalgamated this establishment with the Underwater Weapons Establishment.

Captain G.C. Leslie, O.B.E., R.N.
1960-1962 Captain Fishery Protection Squadron H.M.S. Duncan in Command.

Captain I.D. McLaughlan, D.S.C., R.N.
August 1961, in command H.M.S. Whirlwind and as Captain (F); 2nd Frigate Squadron.

Brigadier R.E. Coaker, M.C.
Commandant Royal Armoured Corps Centre and Dorset Sub-District 1960-1962.

Air Commodore J.H. Lapsley, O.B.E., D.F.C., A.F.C., R.A.F.
1961 Germany, Deputy Chief of Staff (Air) at NATO H.Q. of the 2nd Allied Tactical Air Force.

Air Commodore B.P. Young, C.B.E., R.A.F.
1961 H.Q. Allied Air Forces Central Europe as Assistant Chief of Staff Intelligence.

Group Captain N. Cameron, D.S.O., D.F.C., R.A.F.
1960-1962 Commanding R.A.F. Abingdon Transport Command.

Captain E.J. Peel, D.S.C., Royal Australian Navy.
Since the war has commanded H.M.A. ships Hawkesbury, Anzac and Vampire and H.M.S. Protector; has served on Australian Joint Planning Staff, as Director of Manning, and as Deputy Chief of Naval Personnel in Australia.

Brigadier N.H. Ross, D.S.O., E.C., C.D., Canadian Army.
1st September 1961 Brigadier on appointment Commanding New Brunswick Area.

Colonel K.W. Erickson, United States Army.
1960-1962 General Staff Officer in Sixth Army H.Q., U.S.A.

Mr. A.R.H. Kellas, Foreign Office.
1958-1962 Counsellor, H.M. Embassy, Tehran.

Mr. E.S. Foster, Ministry of Aviation.
1956-1962 Aerodromes planning division, Ministry of Aviation.

Mr. W.C. Rudkin.
1962 Junior Civilian Instructor, Imperial Defence College.

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10 July 1963

My dear Ambassador,

I have been informed by our Representative in Elisabethville of an incident on the Kasumbalesa road on 9 July in which our Representative's assistant, Mr. Willis, was held up at gun-point by bandits who seized his car as well as his watch and some money. Fortunately the British Consul in Elisabethville appeared on the scene at this point and his arrival put the bandits to flight. The Consul joined Mr. Willis in giving chase to the bandits, who eventually disappeared off a side road leading to a small village. The Consul and Mr. Willis did not proceed further as they were unarmed, but the United Nations military were informed and are pursuing the matter.

I should like to express my appreciation of the ready assistance given to Mr. Willis by the British Consul during this incident.

Yours sincerely,

Max H. Dorsinville,
Officer-in-Charge.

His Excellency Mr. Michael Rose,
The British Ambassador,
LEOPOLDVILLE.

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Taken by hand to H.E. Mr. Michael Rose,
British Ambassador, Leopoldville

Leopoldville, 9 July 1963

Telegram from ONUC, Elisabethville, on behalf of
British Consul, Elisabethville, 9 July 1963

IMMEDIATE PRODROME LEOPOLDVILLE PARA 37608 PARA ADDRESSED TO LEOPOLDVILLE TEL NO 376 OF JULY 8 REPEATED FOR INFORMATION TO FOREIGN OFFICE PRETORIA SALISBURY AND SAVING TO UKMIS NEW YORK WASHINGTON AND BRUSSELS PARA THERE WAS AN ACCIDENT ON THE KASUMBALESA - ELISABETHVILLE ROAD AT ABOUT 1300 HOURS TODAY IN WHICH A BRITISH SUBJECT GORDON BARNARD A BUSINESS MAN RESIDENT AT NDOLA WAS SHOT AND A SOUTH AFRICAN GIRL COMPANION WAS RAPED PARA 2 THE INCIDENT OCCURRED ABOUT TEN MILES SHORT OF ELISABETHVILLE WHEN THE CAR IN WHICH THEY WERE TRAVELLING TO ELISABETHVILLE WAS STOPPED BY THREE ARMED MEN IN CAMOUFLAGE JACKETS BARNARD WAS SHOT WHILE TRYING TO PREVENT THE MEN VIOLATING THE GIRL I HAVE SEEN BOTH IN HOSPITAL BARNARD ALTHOUGH SUFFERING FROM LOSS OF BLOOD IS NOT IN DANGER ACCORDING TO THE HOSPITAL AUTHORITIES HIS COMPANION HAS BEEN TREATED AND IS IN GOOD HEART ALTHOUGH NATURALLY SUFFERING FROM SHOCK THE SHOT ENTERED HIS RIGHT SHOULDER AND EMERGED FROM HIS CHEST THEN ENTERED HIS CHIN AND REEMERGED FROM HIS JAW PARA 3 I HAVE INFORMED THE UNITED NATIONS MINISTER ILEOS OFFICE AND LOCAL POLICE PARA 4 SEE M I F T PARA F O PASS IMMEDIATE PRETORIA 3 SALISBURY 212 AND SAVING TO UKMIS NEW YORK 44 WASHINGTON 70 AND BRUSSELS 49 PARA LEOPOLDVILLE PASS IMMEDIATE FOREIGN OFFICE 445 WILSON

British Embassy,

Leopoldville.

February 4, 1963.

Dear Miss Robertson,

I am writing to thank you for arranging my passage by U.N. aircraft to and from Elisabethville last week. I had comfortable direct flights both ways and everyone was most helpful.

I hope, if you find an appropriate moment, you will tell Mr. Gardiner that the Ambassador and I are both grateful to him for giving his permission for my making this journey by U.N. aircraft.

Yours sincerely

John Ure.

(J. B. Ure)

Miss Robertson,
Office of the Officer in Charge,
ONUC,
Building Royal,
Léopoldville.

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

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January 17, 1963. 60

PERSONAL

Dear Robert,

Lord Home has had reports of the part which you played personally in restoring order and dispersing the violent demonstration here on Tuesday. He has telegraphed to me asking me to convey to you his warm thanks for your most helpful intervention.

This I do with great pleasure. You know already how grateful I myself am to you for your part in the affair.

Believe me,
Yours sincerely,
D.M.H. Riches

(D.M.H. Riches)

His Excellency
Mr. R.K.A. Gardiner,
Officer-in-Charge,
O.N.U.C.

BY-HAND

No 9062/SEC

15 January 63

To: Force Commander

From: HQ Sector 'L'

Subject: Demonstration at British Embassy - Leopoldville, 15/1/63 Summary of Events.

The following is a Summary of events as recorded at Sector 'L' from 09.45 hours.

Time	Event	Action Taken
08.45	Mr. Bradney reported to Cmdr Sector 'L' that it was likely that a demonstration would be staged at the British Embassy today.	Alerted Sector 'L'
09.45	Chief of Staff to Cmdr Sector 'L' - British Embassy under attack by (ANC).	1) Alerted Armd car Sqn and 2 QONR. 2) 2 Armd Car Sqn Pl "C" and 2 QONR at Jos. Charl. alerted to move within 15 minutes to Le Royale.
09.50	Message from Mr. Bradney. Reported that he had two police cars in vicinity of Brit. Embassy and would keep Sector 'L' informed of events. Mob at this stage had already broken windows of Brit. Embassy and attempted to force entry, but not succeeded.	1) Sector 'L' informed MA to FC.

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Time	Event	Action Taken
10.05	Chief of Staff to Cmdr Sector 'L' - Alert one Pl to move to Royale at short notice. - Order Coy 2 QONR and Irish Sqn to stand by to move to any location specified.	
10.10	Commander Sector 'L'	1) Sent LO (Cpt. Costello) to area Brit. Embassy to find out situation.
10.10	"	1) Failed to contact HQ 2 QONR by telephone. (Since 09.45 hrs on tele.)
10.10	"	1) Contacted Irish Sqn and instructed that LO be sent at once to alert HQ 2 QONR (Camp Garnier) - (LO sent by Irish Sqn.).
10.20	"	1) Ordnance Depot and Indian Signal Rgmt. informed about the latest situation.
10.25	"	1) HQ 2 QONR given WARNING ORDER by telephone.
10.26	LO reported that at 10.15 a mob of 100-150 in the vicinity of Brit. Embassy were being dispersed by Congolese Police.	1) Info passed to MA to FC.
10.28	Mr. Kroon informed Comdr Sector'L' that mob of 100-150 moving towards Le Royale had been diverted from main boulevard at area of Post Office. Mob at this stage had been reduced to about 60 marchers (with banners) and about 100 people standing on the sidewalk. Mob appeared to have been dispersed at this stage.	

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Time	Event	Action Taken
10.55	Mr. Kroon reported to Cmdr Sector 'L' that a crowd of 400 strong were standing around the British Embassy. This crowd appeared to be quiet.	-
11.20	Maj. Davidson (LO from 2 QONR) reported situation as at 11.10 hrs. On the spot study of situation and reported:- (a) Situation on Blvd Albert and Brit. Embassy area peaceful and quiet. (b) About 200 civilians standing around peacefully in general area of intersection of Ave des Aviateurs and Ave Beernaert.	MA to FC informed.
11.25	Maj Davidson and Lt Richards sent to bring latest information.	-
11.50	Above returned - Reported situation as at 11.35 hrs:- (a) Crowds dispersed and disappeared from area of Brit. Embassy. (b) Roads/area littered with broken glass, stones etc. (c) Nigeria Police and the Gendarmerie present in strength.	-
12.15	Mr. Bradney (SSP) and Sector Comdr discussed the situation and agreed that there was no further threat.	-
12.25	2 Irish Armd Car Sqn and 2 QONR ordered to stand down.	Units informed by tele.

C.S. O'Connell Col.
Commander Sector 'L'
(C.S. O'Connell)

Distr.

Chief of Staff
Mr. Gardiner ✓
Mil Ops
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TO: Mr. Robert K. A. Gardiner

	APPROVAL		YOUR INFORMATION
	MAY WE CONFER?		AS REQUESTED
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	NOTE AND FILE		REPLY FOR MY SIGNATURE
	NOTE AND RETURN		PREPARE DRAFT
	YOUR COMMENTS		ATTACH RELATED PAPERS

Further to my 8721, attached is a copy of the letter "B" to the UK.

RJB 26/12

DATE:	FROM:
13 Dec.62	Ralph J. Bunche

12 December 1962

Sir,

I have the honour to make to your Government, as one of the original supporters of the Plan of national reconciliation, a most solemn and urgent appeal for assistance in bringing to a peaceful end the problem of the relations between the Government of the Republic of the Congo (Leopoldville) - the Central Government - and the provincial government of Katanga headed by Mr. Moise Tshombe.

The crux of this problem rests in the continuing payment by the Union Minière du Haut-Katanga of revenues and taxes in substantial amounts (estimated at more than $30,000,000 per year) to the authorities of Katanga province rather than to the Central Government, which asserts its legal claim to these monies. The Union Minière on its part, avers that it has no choice but to pay revenues on its operations to the "authorities which exercise effective power in Katanga", where its installations are located. The Union Minière, as you know, is a private commercial firm and has not been responsive to the appeals that have been made to it to change its policy and make the proper payments to the Central Government.

Yesterday, I appealed to the Government of Belgium to exert every possible influence on the Union Minière to cause it to desist forthwith from paying revenues to Katanga province. Until such time as an agreement has been reached on the matter between the Central Government and the authorities of Katanga province, I have also proposed that a provisional settlement shall be implemented immediately. I am sure that you will appreciate the significance of this proposal.

I now appeal directly to you because it is possible for your Government to take measures which could have a possibly decisive bearing on this question. I refer to the fact that a substantial amount of the copper production of Katanga is shipped out via the route Kolwezi-Jadotville-Elisabethville-Sakania-Lusaka. My appeal to you, therefore, is to request that you and your Government take the necessary measures to prohibit the shipment of Katangese copper ore through the territory of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland until such time as the questions of payment of Union Minière revenues to the Central Government and their division with Katanga are settled.

His Excellency
The Right Honourable the Earl of Home, P.C.
Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
Foreign Office
Downing Street
London, S.W.1, England

I owe you, no doubt, a rather full explanation as to why I make this approach at this time. I do so, first of all, because I believe firmly that if your Government, together with some other governments similarly in position to act effectively, were to co-operate with the United Nations in the way indicated, the crisis over Katanga would be quickly ended. It is a logical step to take, for I am certain that it would enjoy the support of an overwhelming majority of the Member States of the United Nations should I ask for a resolution along these lines, which, however, it is not my present intention to do. Moreover, it would seem to me that this sort of action might be expected of one state from an adjacent friendly state.

In this regard, I must point out that in my view no question of "sanctions" is involved here. Despite Mr. Tshombe's ambitions and declamations, Katanga is just a province and not a state. In over two years of striving, Mr. Tshombe has won recognition for his attempted secession from no state, and there is no apparent prospect that this situation will change. Mr. Tshombe's declarations have not achieved independence or statehood for Katanga. Indeed, even Mr. Tshombe, on several occasions, as in the declaration he signed at Kitona last December, and in his formal acceptance of my Plan, has renounced secession by accepting, in principle, integration in the Congo as a whole. What I ask you, therefore, is only to respect the laws of the Republic of the Congo, which forbid the export of mineral ores on which the legal duties and taxes have not been paid, and the spirit of the resolutions of the Security Council.

Most important of all, I ask you to take this step because it will afford maximum help to the United Nations and in my estimation will do the most that can be done to end the possibility of further fighting and consequent loss of life in Katanga.

You are aware that for over a year I have been doing my utmost to achieve a peaceful reconciliation of the differences between Leopoldville and Elisabethville. Those efforts have not succeeded largely because of the intransigence of Mr. Tshombe. The latest and most striking example of Mr. Tshombe's attitude is related to my Plan. Both Mr. Adoula and Mr. Tshombe informed me last August, soon after the Plan was submitted to them, that they accepted it. The Plan had been formulated as a reasonable and moderate compromise which the authorities, both in Leopoldville and Elisabethville, should be expected to accept. This was my view and, as you know, the view of the original supporters of the Plan. Mr. Adoula and his Government have not yet done all that is required of them by the Plan, but I am convinced that they have been making an earnest effort to fulfil their commitment and to ensure the success of the Plan. Mr. Tshombe, on the other hand, has done little or nothing to indicate that he has any serious intention to implement the provisions of the Plan.

This refusal to live up to agreements he has made is not new for Mr. Tshombe. For example, on 24 June 1961 in Leopoldville, Mr. Tshombe signed an agreement supporting the reopening of Parliament and the

constitution of a new Central Government. But this agreement was never implemented, since on his subsequent return to Elisabethville, Mr. Tshombe, on 29 June 1961, stated that he had signed the agreement under "duress". Again, at Kitona on 21 December 1961, Mr. Tshombe signed and handed to a United Nations representative an eight-point declaration. But as soon as he returned to Elisabethville, he nullified the declaration by stating that it was for the provincial assembly of Katanga to decide upon it. He did, however, fulfil two of the eight points by sending Katangese parliamentarians to Leopoldville and also by appointing Katangese representatives on the Government Constitutional Commission. Mr. Tshombe engaged in talks with Mr. Adoula in Leopoldville in two sessions in 1962, from 15 March to 16 April and from 18 May to 25 June. It appeared that good progress was made in these talks and that agreement was reached on the setting up of four commissions to deal with four topics, namely, military, monetary, economic and fiscal, and transport and communications. All of the effort was wasted, however, because Mr. Tshombe insisted at the end on the insertion in the final communiqué of a clause which would have rendered meaningless the agreements reached since it would, in fact, maintain Katanga's secession.

Under the Plan, in the event of failure to get agreement on reconciliation, a number of measures are envisaged if pressure must be applied. Your Government's formal reservations with regard to the measures set forth in the Courses of Action of the Plan are, of course, kept in mind. Nevertheless, I would point out that the situation now is quite different from that prevailing at the time the reservations were made. It is my intention, if it is finally necessary, to apply these and other non-military forms of pressure to induce Mr. Tshombe to implement his acceptance of the Plan and thus in fact to abandon his secessionist aims. I realize, of course, that one or another of these measures could lead Mr. Tshombe to resort to military force in another rash attack upon the United Nations Force in Katanga, although I doubt that this will happen. The Force, in such an eventuality, would, of course, defend itself energetically, and it has a much stronger capacity to do so today than it has ever had.

I would wish to avoid any development involving fighting if at all possible. I strongly believe that the action I am asking your Government and other governments to take would go far towards eliminating this risk. This, manifestly, is of highest significance to the United Nations, to the peace of Africa, to the Congo and Katanga, and to your Government and all other governments in or directly connected with the continent of Africa. It is my intention, in due course, to circulate this letter to the Security Council.

I trust most earnestly that I may count upon your serious consideration of my request and a favourable response.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

U Thant
Secretary-General

4 December 1962

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

It is at the very last minute that I was informed by Mr. Gardiner that I was authorized to leave the Congo to return to Geneva.

I am leaving this morning and in the circumstances, It is impossible for me to come to pay you my respects and to take leave from you.

May I express all my sincere thanks for the assistance you were always kind enough to give me and hope to see you again in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

Jean BACK
Deputy to Officer-
in Charge - ONUC

Sin Excellency
M. D.M.H. RICHES
British Ambassador
LEOPOLDVILLE

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FILE NO.:

1 November 1962

Dear Robert,

..... I enclose, for your information, copy of a note verbale received today from the Australian Permanent Representative concerning Mr. Renouf's visit to the Congo.

Sincerely,

Ralph

Ralph J. Bunche

Mr. Robert K.Gardiner
Officer-in-Charge
ONUC
Léopoldville.

Mr. Gardiner

CABLE ADDRESS
AUSTUNAT, NEW YORK

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AUSTRALIAN MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS
750 THIRD AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

31st October 1962

The Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Acting Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of his note of 30th October 1962 concerning the visit to the Congo of the Australian High Commissioner in Nigeria.

The Permanent Representative notes that the Officer-in-Charge of ONUC has been informed of Mr Renouf's revised schedule and understands that the Officer-in-Charge cannot guarantee a United Nations flight from one place to another on a specific date, in view of the nature of the operation in the Congo and the limited number of aircraft available.

The Permanent Representative of Australia wishes to express his sincere appreciation to the Acting Secretary-General for the offer of all possible assistance within the means available.

The Acting Secretary-General,
United Nations Headquarters,
New York

AUSTRALIAN MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

(1634/62)

October 30, 1962.

Dear Robert.

Thank you for your letter of October 29 about Mr. Renouf.

We are most grateful to you for arranging to find a place for Mr. Renouf on the U.N. flights to and from Elisabethville which you mention. These arrangements will - I am sure - suit him very well.

I am arranging for my office to contact yours to confirm the appointment you have been kind enough to propose for Mr. Renouf on November 22.

Yours sincerely

Derek Riches

(D.M.H. Riches)

His Excellency
Mr. R.K.A. Gardiner,
Officer-in-Charge,
O.N.U.C.,
Leopoldville.

Ref 1/11

The Acting Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of his note No.608/8/1 of 19 October 1962, concerning the visit of the Australian High Commissioner in Nigeria to the Congo.

The Officer-in-Charge of ONUC has been informed of Mr. Renouf's revised schedule and will give Mr. Renouf all possible assistance within the means available to him. It will be understood, of course, that he cannot guarantee a United Nations flight from one place to another on a specific date, in view of the nature of the United Nations operation in the Congo and the limited number of aircraft available to it.

30 October 1962

cc: Mr. Gardiner
(ref: NY cable 7587
and G-1511)

OUTGOING CLEAR ROUTINE

LEOPOLDVILLE

27 October 1962

UNATIONS NEW YORK

G-1511 URQUHART FROM GARDINER

YOUR 7587 CURRENT PRACTICE CONCERNING TRANSPORT OF DIPLOMATS ON UN AIRCRAFT IS TO PROVIDE SEATS ON SCHEDULED FLIGHTS ON SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS. WILL TRY TO MEET REQUIREMENTS OF RENOUF.

JB/mm

29 October 1962

Thank you for your letter of 22 October concerning the coming visit to Leopoldville of Mr. Renouf, the Australian High Commissioner at Lagos.

As you know, we are always pleased to help with the transport of government officials on a space available basis, and I feel it is safe to say that there will be a seat to Elisabethville on our flight on Friday, 23 November. This flight leaves at 0700Z arriving in Elisabethville at 1330Z. Unfortunately we have no scheduled flights from Elisabethville to Leopoldville on Mondays, but Mr. Renouf could fly on Tuesday, 27 November, leaving Elisabethville at 0945Z and returning to Leopoldville via Kamina and Luluabourg.

I should be very pleased to see Mr. Renouf while he is here and suggest Thursday, 22 November at 9.00 a.m. as a tentative appointment — subject to confirmation the day before between your office and mine.

Robert K. Gardiner

H.E. Mr. D.M.H. Riches,
Her Britannic Majesty's Ambassador
to the Republic of the Congo,
LEOPOLDVILLE.

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BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

(1634/62)

October 22, 1962.

Dear Robert,

Mr. Renouf, the Australian High Commissioner at Lagos, is visiting the Congo on instructions from his government between November 21 and 29.

He is anxious to visit Elisabethville during this time but, as you know, the Sabena direct flight is not operating and we cannot arrange any other commercial flight which fits in with his arrangements at all conveniently. In these circumstances I know he would be very grateful if you could see your way to finding him a place on U.N. flights for both journeys. If possible he would like to fly to Elisabethville on November 23, returning here on November 26. Perhaps you would let me know if you can help him and whether these dates will coincide with your flights. We are, of course, notifying the central Government of Mr. Renouf's intention to visit Katanga also.

While in Leopoldville we hope to arrange for Mr. Renouf to see President Kasavubu, M. Adoula and M. Bomboko.

/He is,

His Excellency
Mr. R.K.A. Gardiner,
Officer-in-Charge,
O.N.U.C.,
Leopoldville.

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

He is, of course, also very anxious to have a talk with you and I should be very grateful if you could propose a time when it would be convenient for you to see him. I realise that any such appointment would have to be a provisional arrangement.

Yours sincerely,

Denis Riches

(D.M.H. Riches)

Mr. Gardiner
for information.
29/9

BRITISH EMBASSY,

LEOPOLDVILLE

September 29, 1962.

My dear Tony,

You may remember that at last night's U.N. party Mr. Gardiner took me up on some points which Lord Home had made in his recent speech about the Congo in New York.

Mr. Gardiner said he had only heard a report of the speech through Brazzaville and as this was probably incomplete I think he may have got the emphasis of Lord Home's remarks a little out of focus.

I am consequently enclosing the text of the relevant parts of what Lord Home said (I am afraid we only have a french text at this stage) and would be very grateful if you could arrange for this to be shown to Mr. Gardiner today. Incidentally, you will see that Lord Home pays an explicit tribute to Mr. Gardiner's patience and tact.

Yours ever John.

(J. B. Ure)

Anthony Jacobs, Esq.,
Office of the Special Representative
of the Secretary General,
O.N.U.C.,
Leopoldville.

British Embassy,

Leopoldville.

August 9, 1962.

sent movement
order 3.40 pm
9/8/62

Dear Robert,

Our Consulate in Elisabethville is simply overwhelmed with work and I have got to send them additional assistance as a matter of great urgency. Would it be possible for us to send Miss Judith Innes, a Foreign Office stenographer, on one of your flights to Elisabethville, preferably on August 10, but if that is impossible at the first available opportunity thereafter?

I hope you will forgive my asking this favour but we are really in a hole.

Yours sincerely,

Derek Riches

(D. M. H. Riches)

His Excellency Mr. Robert Gardiner,
Officer-in-Charge,
ONUC,
Building Royal,
Leopoldville.

Allocution de Lord Home au sujet du probleme Congolais

LA SUPREME NECESSITE DE LA CONCILIATION A BEAUCOUP INFLUENCE SUR LES VUES DU GOUVERNEMENT BRITANNIQUE AU SUJET DU ROLE DES NATIONS UNIES AU CONGO.

C'EST CE QUI SE DEGAGE NOTAMMENT D'UNE ALLOCUTION PRONONCE JEUDI 27 SEPTEMBRE A L'ASSEMBLEE GENERALE DES NATIONS UNIES PAR LE MINISTRE BRITANNIQUE DES AFFAIRES ETRANGERES, LORD HOME.

CELUI-CI A DECLARE QUE LA POLITIQUE A SUIVRE ETAIT DE CONCILIER LES INTERETS DES PROVINCES AVEC CEUX DU CENTRE. IL A RAPPELE QUE DES QUESTIONS N'AVAIENT PAS ETE REGLEES LORS DU TRANSFERT DES POUVOIR DE LA BELGIQUE, LA LOI FONDAMENTALE N'AYANT JAMAIS ETE RATIFIEE PAR LE PARLEMENT. QUANT AU CONFLIT DES VUES, IL DOIT ETRE RESOLU PAR LES CONGOLAIS EUX MEMES.

IL EST CERTAINEMENT TRES CLAIR, A POURSUIVE L'ORATEUR, QU'UN REGLEMENT IMPOSE PAR LA FORCE NE DURERAIT "MEME PAS UN JOUR" A MOINS QUE LES NATIONS UNIES SOIENT DISPOSEES A ASSUMER PENDANT DES ANNEES LE ROLE DE "PUISSANCE OCCUPANTE ET ADMINISTRANTE". MAIS L'ONU N'EST PAS EQUIPEE POUR CELA, BIEN QU'UN JOUR, PEUT-ETRE, ELLE PUISSE L'ETRE. SON ROLE DOIT ETRE D'AIDER LES CONGOLAIS EUX-MEMES A TROUVER UN SOLUTION.

C'EST POURQUOI LE ROYAUME UNI FUT "EXTREMENT HEUREUX" LORSEQUE LE SECRETAIRE-GENERAL INTERIMAIRE DECIDA DE SE CONCENTRER SUR LE PLAN DE RECONCILIATION QUI A MAINTENANT ETE ACCEPTE EN PRINCIPE PAR MM. ADOULA ET TSHOMBE.

LORD HOME A DIT QU'IL N'AVAIT PAS VUS "LA FORME DE LA CONSTITUTION FEDERALE PROPOSEE, QUI EST LA CLE DE TOUT", MAIS QU'IL ESPERAIT QU'ELLE SERVIRAIT DE BASE A UN REGLEMENT QUI PERMETTRAIT QUE LES ACTIVITES DE L'ONU AU CONGO CONSTITUENT UNE ASSISTANCE ECONOMIQUE ET TECHNIQUE PLUTOT QU'UNE OPERATION MILITAIRE. LE SECRETAIRE-GENERAL ET SON REPRESENTANT, M. GARDINER, MERITENT DE LA RECONNAISSANCE POUR LA MANIERE DONT ILS SONT EN TRAIN DE TRAITER CE PROBLEME DES PLUS MALAISES, A DIT LORD HOME, QUI A AJOUTE: "ILS ONT DONNE AU MONDE UN EXEMPLE DE PATIENCE, DE TOLERANCE ET DE TACT".

SI LES PROBLEMES DU LAOS ET DU CONGO SONT RESOLUS, A-T-IL SOULIGNE, L'AN 1962 AURA MONTRE DES RESULTATS POSITIFS DANS LE

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DOMAINE DE LA PACIFICATION, ET LE PRINCIPE DE L'ORDRE DANS LES AFFAIRES INTERNATIONALES AURA REMPORTE UNE VICTOIRE NOTABLE.

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Duncan Guthrie

Int. Soc. for
Rehabilitation of the Disabled
(H.Q. in N.Y.)

Consultative status
with the U.N.

c/pr 111(1)
Great Britain

1 September 1962

Dear Mr. Gordon,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter, reference 212/62 dated 28 August 1962, with attached copy of a letter, No. 234, dated 16 August 1962, from Mr. M.J. Starforth, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Justice of Uganda, dealing with the matter of the deceased Stanley Sebacuzi.

We are very grateful for the careful attention given to this matter by Mr. Starforth, and feel sure that the information he has provided will prove helpful to our resolving the difficulties which have arisen in connection with the disposition of the sum of $471.53 payable by ONUC. We have noted in particular that the question of succession is governed by customary law, and that it appears that payment cannot be made by ONUC as desired by the deceased without ONUC's incurring the risk of valid claims being presented against it at a later date. In view of these considerations, I am not fully sure that ONUC will agree to make payment to Mr. Kalimuzo on behalf of Mr. James Sebacuzi.

I wonder if it is at all possible to obtain in Uganda an official determination by a local court as to who is entitled to receive payment from ONUC, and how ONUC is to make such payment. We fully appreciate the difficulties that would be involved in such a procedure but, as I have indicated, I am not certain that ONUC can incur the risk of making payment directly through Mr. Kalimuzo for the benefit of the son, James. ONUC will be glad to make available at the request of Mr. Kalimuzo all documentation in its possession and in general extend its full cooperation to the local court.

I wish to take this occasion to express to you and to Mr. Starforth our deep appreciation for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

C. Taff,
Special Legal Adviser

Mr. B.W. Gordon,
H.M. Consul,
British Embassy,
B.P. 8049,
Leopoldville

CT/mm

BRITISH EMBASSY
B. P. 8049
Leopoldville, Congo Republic

212/62

August 28, 1962.

Dear Mr. Taff,

I refer to your letter of August 3 about the estate of the late Mr. Stanley Sebacuzi and to my letter of August 11, copied to you, addressed to the Government of Uganda.

2. I attach hereto a copy of a letter received from the Ministry of Justice, Entebbe, in which it is suggested that you approach Mr. Kalumuzo direct and arrange a mutually satisfactory method of accounting for payments from the estate in question. If I can be of any further help, I hope you will not hesitate to call on our services.

Yours sincerely,

B. W. Gordon
H.M.Consul

Mr. Charles Taff,
Special Legal Adviser,
United Nations Organisation in the Congo,
B.P. 7248,
LEOPOLDVILLE.

COPY ONLY

Ref.: 234.

Ministry of Justice,
P.O. Box 50,
ENTEBBE, Uganda.

16th August, 1962.

H.M. Consul,
British Embassy,
B.P. 8049,
LEOPOLDVILLE,
Congo Republic.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter No. 212/62 of the 11th August, 1962. Mr. Francis Kalumuzo holds the office of Deputy Establishment Secretary in the office of the Prime Minister, and I have discussed with him the affairs of Master James H. Sebacuzi. I am afraid the affair is not free from difficulty. The English laws of succession are applied in Uganda, but their application is limited, broadly speaking, to the immigrant community. In the case in question the succession is governed by customary law prevailing in the Kigezi District of Uganda. I understand that the successor by customary law has co-opted Mr. Kalimuzo, as the member of the family best qualified to deal with these matters, in order to ensure that the money left by the late Mr. Stanley Sebacuzi should be used in the interests of the beneficiary. . . . . .

Although I am not an expert on local customary law, I think I can say from previous experience of such matters that it will not be possible for U.N.O.C. to obtain a watertight receipt for the money, i.e., a receipt which will completely satisfy their own auditors and legal staff that the possibility of any other claim has been completely excluded. On the other hand, I think that U.N.O.C. can probably obtain from the local authorities and from Mr. Kalumuzo affidavits or statutory declarations which should satisfy them that the money is being used in the manner intended by the late Mr. Sebacuzi, although it will not be possible to exclude the possibility of other claims. It might also be possible for U.N.O.C. to arrange for the money to be paid into a Trust Fund in Kampala and paid out for the child's education under the supervision of their own agents.

It appears to me that the best course would be for U.N.O.C.'s special legal adviser in Leopoldville to get into touch direct with Mr. Kalimuzo (who is, as I have pointed out above, the holder of a responsible office) in order to work out some way in which U.N.O.C.'s interests can be satisfactorily safeguarded when the money is paid over.

Yours faithfully,

(M. J. Starforth)
Permanent Secretary.

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

August 14, 1962.

RCL 16/8

Dear Robert,

I write to express more formally what I tried to say to you yesterday, namely, how impressed the Commandant and members of the I.D.C. were by your address yesterday and by your replies to questions. I know that you are a very busy man and that this occasion took up a great deal of precious time, but I can assure you that from our point of view it was very much worthwhile and that the members of the group took away with them a very clear idea of the formidable problems which the United Nations has to face in this country and of the way in which you are tackling them.

With renewed thanks.

Yours sincerely,
Derek Riches
(D.M.H. Riches)

His Excellency
Mr. R.K.A. Gardiner,
Officer-in-Charge,
O.N.U.C.,
Leopoldville.

RWf 8/8

British Embassy,

Leopoldville.

August 8, 1962.

File NOTE
See REPLY from
ADOULA 3854/62
of 25 Aug
in C.G.
file.
-Ed

Dear Robert,

I have been instructed by the Foreign Office to enquire whether, as a result of the recent announcement by the Central Government, it is necessary for me to obtain the Central Government's permission for the flights by R.A.F. aircraft in support of the Nigerian and Ghanaian contingents to your forces in the Congo. My understanding is that these purely U.N. flights are excepted from the scope of the Central Government's recent declaration but I would be grateful if you would be good enough to confirm this to me in writing.

Yours sincerely,

Derek Riches

(D. M. H. Riches)

His Excellency Mr. Robert Gardiner,
Officer in Charge,
O.N.U.C.,
Building Royal,
Leopoldville.

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

August 2, 1962.

Dear Robert,

I am writing to confirm the request I made to you orally the other day, namely that you would be so good as to address a party from the I.D.C. who expect to be in Leopoldville on August 13.

The party will only be coming over from Brazzaville for the day and the Congolese Minister for Foreign Affairs has agreed to address them in the course of the morning. It would therefore be most convenient if you would be willing to speak to them in the afternoon - say about 3 p.m. The usual arrangement, as you know, is for the speaker to talk for about half an hour and then to answer questions.

The group consists of about fifteen members and is headed by an Air Marshal (Sir Hugh Constantine) who is Commandant of the College. Most of the members are from the U.K. but there are also Canadians and Australians and a lone American. I shall be entertaining a few of the senior ones to lunch that day and it would give me great pleasure if you could join us.

Yours sincerely,

Derek Riches

(D.M.H. Riches)

His Excellency
Mr. Robert Gardiner,
Officer-in-Charge,
O.N.U.C.,
Leopoldville.

4 August 1962

Dear Sir,

With reference to my letter of this date concerning the late Stanley Sebacuzi, I am transmitting herewith a copy of a letter dated 20 th June 1962 to the Officer-in-Charge , ONUC , from Mr. Francis Kalimuzo .

Yours sincerely,

Charles Taff
Special Legal Adviser

Mr. Brian Gordon
H M Consul
British Embassy
LEOPOLDVILLE

3 August 1962

Dear Sir,

We should like to bring to your attention a matter that relates to a deceased staff member of ONUC, who was a national of Uganda.

In October, Mr. Stanley Sebacuzi was hired by ONUC to serve as a translator. Thereafter, on 18 March, 1962, he died in a hospital in Goma from causes in no way related to his official duties . At the time of his death, there was due to him from ONUC a total of $ 471.53 - $339.06 for unpaid salary and $ 132.47 for unused leave .

In the personnel form that Mr. Sebacuzi filled out at the time of his being hired, he designated as his beneficiary, his son, James H. Sebacuzi, and gave as his address " c/o Mr. Francis K. Kalimazu, District Office, Kitchum, Uganda . "

Following Mr. Sebacuzi's death, ONUC sent a check made payable to the order of James H. Sebacuzi in the amount of $ 471. 53 . The check was returned with a letter dated 20 June , 1962 from Mr. Francis Kalimuzu, a copy of which is attached . As you will note, the son is 6 years of age, ans was of course unable to deposit or negociate the check.

The ONUC records indicate that the deceased left surviving 7 children , besides James, but provides no information of any kind as to his wife. It does not appear that the deceased left a will .

You will understand that ONUC wishes to be certain that the person to whom its debt is paid is legally entitled to receive the payment. Otherwise, we shall incur the risk of having to make payment of the same amount to another person .

We would be grateful for any advice you may be able to give us on this matter .

Yours Sincerely ,

Charles TAFF
Special Legal Adviser

Mr. Brian GORDON
H M Consul
British Embassy
LEOPOLDVILLE

4 August 1962

Dear Sir ,

I wish to inform you that your letter of 20 June 1962, with enclosed check 8089 and voucher, to the Officer-in-Charge have been referred to this office for reply .

We are carefully considering your request that arrangements be made to enable you to apply the sum of $ 471.53 towards the education of Master Jimmy Sebacuzi, and will advise you further on this matter at an early date .

Charles Taff
Special Legal Adviser

Mr. Francis Kalimuzo
Office of the Prime Minister
P.O. Box 5,
ENTEBBE , UGANDA

cc : Mr . Pasquet

Reg no 0497 Kenya

Telephone: Entebbe 441.

In any correspondence on this subject please quote No. _____

OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER,
P.O. BOX 5,
ENTEBBE, UGANDA.

20th June 1962.

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The Officer-in-Charge
Bordereau De Paiment
Operation Nations Unies Congo
United Nations Headquarters,
NEW YORK.

Sir,

I thank you for cheque No. 8089 of 31st March 1962 payable to James H. Sebacuzi.

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I am however, experiencing some difficulties in cashing the cheque. Master Jimmy Sebacuzi is only 6 years old, and it is my intention, as his guardian, to use the money for his education supplementing it with my own funds. I am fully aware that this is what his own father would have wished. I cannot however, draw the money without your authority to me to draw it on his behalf and a trust account would raise some family complications with an adverse effect to Jimmy's education as the sum would have to be divided among numerous claimants. I am sure in my own mind that the late Stanley Sebacuzi had this in mind when he left the money to the boy care of me. I am therefore applying for permission to draw the money and I am prepared to sign any legally binding undertaking you may wish me to sign and to submit account and receipts of how the money is used as often as you wish me to do so.

Both the cheque and copy of the pay voucher are returned herewith for any necessary alterations and would be grateful if the matter would be treated as urgent.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,

(FRANCIS KALIMUZO.)

ROUTING SLIP

TO Mr. Bardisbarian (Bank)

	APPROVAL		NOTE AND RETURN
	SEE ME, PLEASE		YOUR COMMENTS
	YOUR SIGNATURE		YOUR INFORMATION
	NOTE AND FILE		FOR ACTION

Sent to you for action, as per our conversation.

[Mr. Patti] if action cannot be completed by you. The matter has to be handed over to Legal Advisor.

DATE 3/VII/62 FROM Georgette Pancrazi

(COPY)

AR 76 _____ NY _____ 28.6.1962.

Item 11. Mr. James H. Sebacuzi

..... Enclosed for your action is a letter dated 20 June from Mr. Francis Kalimuzo in connection with your cheque No. 8089 (dollar account) made to the order of Mr. James H. Sebacuzi. Mr. Kalimuzo has been advised that the matter had been referred to ONUC and that you will contact him directly at his Entebbe address.

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BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

July 20, 1962.

Dear Robert,

With reference to our conversation today, you may not have seen the following report of a Parliamentary Question and Answer of July 18 about the Congo :-

"La Grande Bretagne a ~~vieté~~ insisté, auprès du Gouvernement central Congolais, des autorités Katangaises et des Nations-Unies, sur l'importante necessité d'amener une prompte reconciliation entre le Gouvernement de Léopoldville et le Katanga, a declaré le Lord du Sceau Privé de Grande Bretagne, M. Edward Heath, le 18 juillet à la Chambre des Communes.

"Dans une réponse écrite à une question demandant quelles recommandations le Gouvernement Britannique a formulées en vue d'un règlement au Congo, M. Heath a dit: "Le Ministre des Affaires Etrangères, Lord Home, a declaré recemment, au Secrétaire-Général des Nations-Unies que, vu la déterioration de la situation économique au Congo, il était absolument nécéssaire que soit amenée, sans retard, une reconciliation entre le Katanga et le reste du pays. Il a souligné l'importance que le Gouvernement de Sa Majesté attache à l'emploi de méthodes pacifiques - afin que le pays ne souffre pas davantage - dans la recherche d'une solution. Les représentants de Sa Majesté ont parlé dans ce sens au Gouvernement central Congolais et aux autorités provinciales Katangaises. M.U. Thant a dit que ces vues s'accordaient avec les siennes."

Yours sincerely,

Denis Riches

(D.M.H. Riches)

Mr. R. Gardiner,
Officer-in-Charge,
O.N.U.C.,
Leopoldville.

UNITED NATIONS O N U C
DOLLAR ACCOUNT

NEW YORK 31st March 1962 No. 8089

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CHEMICAL BANK NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY
UNITED NATIONS OFFICE
NEW YORK

PAY TO THE ORDER OF JAMES H. SEBACUZI..... $ 471.53

FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE AND 53/100.....DOLLARS

UNITED NATIONS O N U C DOLLAR ACCOUNT

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BORDEREAU DE PAIEMENT

FOURNISSEUR : Mr James H. SEBACUZI
ADRESSE : C/º Mr Francis KALIMUZO
DISTRICT OFFICER KITGUM - UGANDA

I. N. 7654

Détails de votre facture	Monnaie	Montant
Payment of balance of Salary for February 1962 not collected in Albertville - C.Fr. 21.700,-	$	339.06
Payment balance of Salary and accrued leave entitlement for March 1962 Staff member Stanley SEBACUZI deceased on 18 March 1962.- C.Fr 8.478,-	$	132.47
BON DE COMMANDE Nº — TOTAL (chèque ci-joint)	$	471.53

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The Officer-in-Charge
Bordereau De Paiment
Operation Nations Unies Congo
United Nations Headquarters,
NEW YORK.

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FROM:-
F.K. KALIMUZO
P.O. BOX 5
ENTEBBE
UGANDA

NEW YORK, N.Y.
USPS

Mr. Burt

The Officer-in-Charge of the United Nations Operation in the Congo presents his compliments to the Ambassador of Great Britain to the Republic of the Congo and has the honour to transmit to him the following message received from our office in Stanleyville:

QUOTE

MY LETTER A.179 OF APRIL 13 ABOUT HASSANALI NASSER.
NASSER STILL IN PRISON THOUGH PROVINCIAL PRESIDENT
ATTEMPTING TO RELEASE HIM TO HOUSE ARREST.
HAVE RECEIVED APPEAL FROM PRISONER FOR ACTION BY
EMBASSY TO SECURE HIS RELEASE.
GRATEFUL FOR ANY ACTION YOU CAN TAKE TO ENSURE THAT
CENTRAL GOVERNMENT BRING FORMAL CHARGES AGAINST HIM
WITHOUT DELAY AND ARRANGE HIS TRIAL OR ALTERNATELY
ORDER HIS RELEASE.
GRATEFUL REPLY BY TELEPHONE TO STAN 2344 OR TELEGRAM
VIA UNITED NATIONS.

UNQUOTE

Léopoldville, 14 April 1962

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UNITED NATIONS NATIONS UNIES

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Robert K. Gardiner
Officer-in-Charge
ONUC, Leopoldville

Date: 23 February 1962

FILE NO.:

THROUGH:

FROM: F.T. Liu

SUBJECT: Information on mercenaries

..... I am sending you herewith, for your information, a copy of a letter which I have received from Mr. Cambridge, of the United Kingdom Mission.

The letter contains information regarding one Claude Laliere, whose name appears as No.92 on our provisional list of mercenaries dated 13 December 1961 (see cable 8764 of the same date).

22 February 2

Mr. B. Grunzweig, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
C. Taff , Assistant Legal Adviser

Transmitted herewith for your action is a letter dated of the 21 February , 1962, from Mr. F. Sedgwick-Jell of the British Embassy, delaing with the claim of Mr. Masson.

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BRITISH EMBASSY
B.P. 8049
LEOPOLDVILLE, Congo Republic

089/62

February 8, 1962.

My dear Mr Poujalat

A letter from the Consulate at Usumbura reads:

"I have been asked by Mr. Kassam Premji of Usumbura for news of the following family who were at Kongolo when last heard of. The family consists of Mrs. Rajbali Nathoo (maiden name, Jenabai Abdulla Merali), her four daughters and two sons.

I should be grateful, if you have been able to get any news of this family, if you would be kind enough to let me know in due course. Meanwhile I am assuming that no news is good news."

As a result of the splendid efforts of Major Lawson, and any other investigations in the area, have you by any chance heard any possible information on this British family? or could their case be noted as an enquiry?

Yours sincerely

(F. Sedgwick-Jell)
H.M. Consul

Mr. J. Poujoulat,
United Nations Organisation in the Congo,
B.P. 7248,
LEOPOLDVILLE.

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BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

January 24, 1962.

Mr. Sloan has copies.
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Dear Dr Linner,

On January 18 the U.K. Mission to the United Nations in New York communicated to the Secretariat copies of the Report of the Investigating Board into the accident to the aircraft carrying the late Mr. Hammarskjold. At the same time the U.K. Mission informed the Secretariat that the Rhodesian Federal Commission of Enquiry wished to invite the United Nations Commission to give urgent consideration to the material contained in the Report of the Investigating Board and to inform the Federal Commission whether there is any material relevant to the Enquiry of which it is aware and which does not appear to have come to the attention of the Investigating Board.

No reply has been received in New York to this communication but it is understood that the Report of the Investigating Board together with the Federal Commission's request were forwarded to Leopoldville to be dealt with by the United Nations Commission here.

I should therefore be grateful if you would invite the United Nations Commission to give this matter their early consideration and furnish a reply to the enquiry of the Federal Commission. The Federal Enquiry is now nearing the end of its hearings and if, therefore, the United Nations Commission have any information the Federal Commission would be most grateful to have it urgently.

Yours sincerely,

D.M.H. Riches

(D.M.H. Riches)

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-In-Charge,
O.N.U.C.,
Leopoldville.

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BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

(1012/62)

January 24, 1962

Sent to NY on 25 I

Dear D'Linner,

On January 20 a member of your staff asked whether we had any information about the movements of M. Tshombe between the morning of January 18 when he left Elisabethville and his return there the following afternoon.

I have now heard from the British High Commissioner that M. Tshombe visited Salisbury on January 18 and January 19 at his own request. He asked to see Sir Roy Welensky. The main purpose of his visit was to discuss the supply of foodstuffs, of which he said Elisabethville was now very short. The Federal Government said they would do what they could to help.

In the course of their conversation M. Tshombe made it clear that he genuinely sought to carry through his negotiations with the central Government. He stressed the importance attached to having good jurists to advise him and explained that pending the appointment of one the Katanga Assembly could not reach any final decision on the Kitona agreement. Sir Roy Welensky has expressed his willingness to recognize the appropriate moment to urge M. Tshombe to a reconciliation but from the preceding sentence doubts whether the time is ripe now. M. Tshombe said that relations with the U.N. were easier and that he was particularly concerned to get the economic life of Katanga going again before many more men had been thrown out of work as a result of the continued occupation by the U.N. of the Union Minière installations and this made the maintenance of law and order more difficult. M. Tshombe expressed the hope that the Baluba refugee camp problem might be tackled soon. He thought that if a hard core numbering perhaps 1,500 were removed and sent back to Kasai the rest might be persuaded to return to their homes.

/Sir Roy Welensky

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations Organisation in the Congo,
Leopoldville.

Sir Roy Welensky pointed out to M. Tshombe the embarrassment which the continued presence of mercenaries caused to the Federal Government.

Yours sincerely

D. M. H. Riches

(D. M. H. Riches)

Mr. K.H. Englund, Civilian Affairs Officer in Stanleyville
Z. Marcella, Legal Adviser

I would appreciate it if you would be kind enough to hand to Mr. Dnafla the attached informal note which was received from the United Kingdom Mission at New York Headquarters the note containing certain information on the Kindu incident which has been sent to the UK Mission by their people in Usumbura. Although the note does not seem to contain anything that the Commission does not already know we are forwarding it for all useful purposes.

ZM/mb

Original sent to
Mr. Ahmed
19 Jan. 62

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January 19, 1962

Dear Dr. Linner,

Thank you for your letter of January 18 informing me of the revised arrangements proposed for your journey to Salisbury.

The British High Commissioner in Salisbury confirms that the arrangement proposed in your letter is acceptable and that accommodation has been reserved for the night of January 23.

I confirm that visas are not required for yourself or the other witnesses.

Yours sincerely,

(D. M. H. Riches)

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations Organisation in the Congo,
Leopoldville.

GW

16 January 1962

Sir,

With reference to your communication dated 11 January 1962 and my reply to you of 15 January regarding the appearance of witnesses before the Public Commission of Enquiry established by the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, I wish to inform you that the following witnesses will not be able to appear:

Air Commodore H.A. Morrison
who is departing for New York this week on official business;

Mr. P. Brichant, Controller of Tower, Leopoldville Airport, who is on home leave;

and

Capt. Deppe of BIAS
who, I understand, has already informed your Embassy directly of his inability to appear.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

S. Linner
Officer-in-Charge

H.E. Mr. D.W.H. Riches,
Her Britannic Majesty's Ambassador to the Republic of the Congo,
Leopoldville.

BG/pfac

SL/cc

18 January 1962

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

In reply to your letter of 17 January 1962, No. 1852/62, I propose to go to Salisbury together with other witnesses by the Force Commander's DC-6 Transair early morning January 23rd, leaving Salisbury not later than early morning January 24th.

I would appreciate your urgent confirmation whether this arrangement is agreeable to Salisbury, and also whether they are able to arrange accommodation for the night between the 23rd. and the 24th.

Please also confirm that no special visas are necessary.

Yours sincerely,

S. Linnér
Officer-in-Charge

His Excellency
Mr. D.M.H. Riches
Ambassador of Great-Britain
Léopoldville

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

(1852/62)

January 17, 1962

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Dear Dr Linner.

Thank you for your letter of January 15 proposing arrangements for the journey of yourself and other witnesses to the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland to attend the Federal Commission of Enquiry.

I telegraphed to Salisbury yesterday in accordance with your letter. In reply I have now received the following message from Mr. Manciewicz for the United Nations Organisation in the Congo:

> "Federal Commission would prefer to hear Linner and other five witnesses in Salisbury 22nd or 23rd January instead of in Ndola on 18th. Please telegraph urgently if possible."

The British High Commissioner's comment on Mr. Manciewicz' message is that if it should be impossible for you and the other witnesses to be in Salisbury on January 22 or 23 instead of in Ndola on January 18 the Federal Commission could still arrange to hear your evidence at Ndola on the earlier date; in that case, however, the proposed return of your party from Salisbury to Leopoldville on January 19 would allow very little time for the journey to and from Ndola. The High Commissioner has also pointed out that the provision of accommodation in Ndola overnight would be difficult, whereas there would be no problem at Salisbury over the week-end.

In view of these considerations I should be grateful to know whether you would be ready to modify your plans and travel to Salisbury on January 22 or 23, rather than on January 18, thus avoiding the onward journey to Ndola.

Yours sincerely

D. M. H. Riches

(D. M. H. Riches)

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations Organisation in the Congo,
Leopoldville.

15 January 1962

Sir,

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your communication dated 11 January 1962 transmitting the request from the Public Commission of Enquiry established by the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland into the cause and circumstances of the crash of the aircraft bearing the late Secretary-General.

The witnesses plan to proceed to N'Dola via South African Airways commercial flight on Thursday, 18 January 1962, leaving Brazzaville at 0705 and arriving in Salisbury at 1110. I would appreciate your requesting Salisbury to arrange for direct transportation by aircraft from Salisbury to N'Dola, since normal scheduled flights would involve serious delays. Also I assume that no visas would be required for the arrival of the passengers. A confirmation of this would be appreciated.

At this point it is expected that six travellers are involved. It is planned to return to Leopoldville by commercial flight leaving Salisbury on Friday, 19 January 1962, at 1930, and again special transportation by aircraft from N'Dola to Salisbury is requested in order to meet this flight schedule.

I have noted the offer from the Federal authorities of the Federation to pay for the costs of the aircraft travel and related expenses. In due course I will take the liberty of submitting to you a tabulation of all costs in connection with this flight.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

S. Linnér
Officer-in-Charge

H. E. Mr. D. M. H. Riches
Her Britannic Majesty's Ambassador to the
Republic of the Congo
Leopoldville

12 January 1962

Dear Mr. Sedgwick-Jell,

With reference to your two notes (Ref. 1491/61) dealing with the reported seizure by ANC troops of certain vehicles belonging to British subjects, I wish to inform you that I have taken the matters up with various individuals in our Headquarters. We have no information of any kind of the reported seizures, and it does not appear that ONUC can render any effective assistance to obtain their return.

Sincerely yours,

C. TAFF
Assistant Legal Adviser

Mr. F. Sedgwick-Jell
Ambassade Britannique
LEOPOLDVILLE

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1491/61.

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE.

January 2, 1962.

Dear Mr. Taff,

Further to my letter of December 18,1961, I enclose a self-explanatory copy of a Note this Embassy has sent to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, about another truck belonging to a British subject which has been seized, apparently by the A.N.C. on this occasion, in Bukavu.

I know this is not a claim against U.N.O., and therefore not your own direct concern;but enquiries made with the Congolese authorities direct have produced no response, and I wonder therefore if you would be so kind as to pass on this note to whoever in the civil/Military side of your Headquarters might be in a position to know about such requisitioned vehicles.

Sincerely yours,

(F.Sedgwick-Jell)
H.M. Consul.

Mr. C. TAFF,
Claims Dept.
O N U C
LEOPOLDVILLE/

1491/61

L'Ambassade de Sa Majesté Britannique présente ses compliments au Ministère des Affaires Etrangères et se réfère à sa note verbale 1491/61 du 16 décembre, dans laquelle l'Ambassade l'informe que le Gouvernement de l'Uganda a reçu un certain nombre de plaintes émanant de compagnies de transport, selon lesquelles des véhicules qu'elles ont envoyés au Congo ont été saisis par les troupes ANC de Stanleyville, pour les transporter, paraît-il, au Katanga.

Dans un autre cas particulier, l'Ambassade serait reconnaissante si instruction pouvait être donnée aux autorités compétentes, de rechercher et de retourner le véhicule en question à son propriétaire.

Le camion dont il s'agit est un Mercedes Benz 6 tonnes, immatriculé sous le numéro URV.550, appartenant à Messrs Tejani Brothers Limited, P.O.B.2833 Kampala. Ils ont déclaré qu'il avait été saisi près de Bukavu le 2 novembre.

L'Ambassade de Sa Majesté saisit cette occasion pour renouveler au Ministère des Affaires Etrangères, les assurances de sa très haute considération.

AMBASSADE BRITANNIQUE
LEOPOLDVILLE.

Le 2 janvier 1962.

1491/61.

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE.

Dear Mr. Taff,

I enclose a self-explanatory copy of a Note this Embassy has sent to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, about a truck belonging to a British subject which has been seized, apparently by the A.N.C., in Orientale Province.

I know this is not a claim against U.N.O., and therefore not your own direct concern; but enquiries made with the Congolese authorities direct have produced no response, and I wonder therefore if you would be so kind as to pass on this note to whoever in the civil/military side of your Headquarters might be in a position to know about such requisitioned vehicles?

Sincerely yours,

(F. Sedgwick-Jell)
H.M. Consul.

Mr. C. TAFF,
Claims Dept.,
O N U C
LEOPOLDVILLE.

1491/61.

L'Ambassade de Sa Majesté Britannique présente ses compliments au Ministère des Affaires Etrangères et a l'honneur de l'informer que le Gouvernement de l'Uganda a reçu un certain nombre de plaintes émanant de compagnies de transport, selon lesquelles des véhicules qu'elles ont envoyés au Congo ont été saisis par les troupes ANC de Stanleyville, pour les transporter, paraît-il, au Katanga.

La plupart de ces plaintes sembleraient sans fondement, toutefois, dans un cas particulier, l'Ambassade serait reconnaissante si instructions pouvaient être données aux autorités compétentes, de rechercher et de retourner le véhicule en question à son propriétaire.

Le camion dont il s'agit est un Mercedes Benz 7 tonnes, immatriculé sous le numéro UFZ 364, appartenant à Mr. JODINDR SINGH, P.O.Box 30396, Kampala. Il a déclaré qu'il avait été saisi près de Stanleyville au début de novembre.

L'Ambassade de Sa Majesté Britannique saisit cette occasion pour renouveler au Ministère des Affaires Etrangères les assurances de sa très haute considération.

AMBASSADE BRITANNIQUE
LEOPOLDVILLE.

Le 16 décembre 1961.

L-107

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

(1852/62)

January 11, 1962

cc Ndola
Crash file

Dear Dr Linner,

Further to my letter of to-day's date about the request for witnesses to attend the Federal Commission of Enquiry at Ndola, the following is the text of a telegram I have just received from Salisbury:-

> "If witnesses from Leopoldville and Elisabethville travel to Ndola and back by scheduled flights it seems that they would have to remain in Federation some days, whether or not they plan to arrive in time for hearings on 16th January.
>
> Federal Authorities appreciate that witnesses might find it difficult to be away so long. They have therefore asked us to enquire whether United Nations could spare aircraft to uplift all available witnesses from Leopoldville, and possibly Elisabethville also. Federal Authorities would pay costs of aircraft.
>
> Grateful if this request could be put to U.N. urgently."

I should be grateful if you would let me know your views on this.

There is in fact one other witness from Leopoldville whose presence has been requested, namely Captain Deppe, chief pilot of BIAS, one of whose planes is, I understand, sub-contracted through Sabena to the United Nations. You might be willing to accept him as a passenger or alternatively it might turn out that he could be the pilot of the aircraft?

Yours sincerely
D. M. H. Riches
(D. M. H. Riches)

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations Organisation in the Congo,
Leopoldville.

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

Enc.1 to H. M. Ambassador's letter of January 11, 1962 to Dr. Linner

LIST OF WITNESSES

O.N.U.C.

Dr. S. Linner

Air Commodore H. A. Morrison

J. Ljungkvist, Air Operations

G. Brinkman, Chief Communications Officer

H. Kroon, Deputy Chief Security Officer

I.C.A.O.

P. Brichant, Controller of tower, Leopoldville airport

A. Yeadon, Air Traffic Controller Elisabethville

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

Enc.2 to H.M. Ambassador's letter of January 11, 1962
to Dr. Linner

NOTE ON FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Federal Authorities have undertaken to pay actual fares and subsistence equal to reasonable expenses, necessarily incurred during period detained and period reasonably spent in travelling to and from place where Commission is sitting, subject to maximum of 12/6d for each day or part of day detained in travelling and 27/6d for each night sleeping accommodation is necessarily obtained from place of residence.

Federal Authorities will do their best to arrange local transport and accommodation, but since latter in Ndola is likely to be difficult they hope witnesses can arrange earliest possible return flights.

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BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

(1852/62)

Relayed to N.Y. 11/I/62 L-100

January 11, 1962

Dear Dr Linner,

cc Ndola Crash file

As you know, in October last the Government of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland announced the setting up of a Public Commission of Enquiry into the cause and circumstances of the crash of the aircraft bearing the late Mr. Hammarskjöld.

This Commission, under the chairmanship of the Chief Justice of the Federation, is about to open its proceedings, and the Federal Authorities have requested the help of Her Majesty's Government in conveying to certain witnesses outside the Federation a request to appear before the Commission. The request is that they should appear at the High Court building at Ndola at 10 o'clock local time on Tuesday, January 16. While they hope witnesses can appear on this date, any date subsequent up to the 26th of January will be acceptable if the 16th is quite out of the question.

I enclose a list of witnesses from the Congo employed by the United Nations or by I.C.A.O. I also enclose a note about financial arrangements.

I should be grateful if you would give this matter your sympathetic attention so that the conduct of the Enquiry may be facilitated by the attendance of yourself and the other witnesses. I understand that a similar communication is being made to the United Nations in New York.

Believe me
Yours sincerely
D. M. H. Riches
(D. M. H. Riches)

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations Organisation in the Congo,
Leopoldville.

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

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January 5, 1962

Dear Dr Linner.

--- I send you herewith the text of a statement issued by the Rhodesian Federal Government on January 5 in connexion with the Acting Secretary-General's suggestion about observers on the frontier.

Yours sincerely

D M H Riches

(D. M. H. Riches)

EV-38

Sent for info. to E'ville with cc F.C. O.P.I.

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations Organisation
in the Congo,
Leopoldville.

Statement issued by the Rhodesian Federal Government on January 5, 1962

The Government of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland has received through the British Government, the text of a letter from the Acting Secretary-General of the United Nations. Its main purpose was to put forward a suggestion regarding the stationing of United Nations observers on Federal territory. It has always been the policy of the Federal Government, within the ambit of its constitutional powers, to prevent any weapons or military supplies from being carried across the border into Katanga and it has taken steps to ensure that the proper control of the border is exercised. It has not been prepared, however, to interfere with the normal trade between Katanga and the Federation which has been carried on over a period of many years. To do so would have caused hardship in Katanga and injustice to long-established traders in the Federation. Not only has the civilian population of

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Katanga benefited from the continuance of this trade but the United Nations authorities in Katanga themselves have also been to a greater or less extent dependent upon services available in the Federation and upon the supplies of food and other material reaching it through the Federation. The Federal Government is aware that a number of allegations have been made by the United Nations which have not been substantiated. For instance, it has recently been alleged that 40 jeeps with mounted machine guns and driven by armed mercenaries crossed the frontier just before Christmas. Full enquiries have been made into this allegation and the Federal Government has confirmed that in fact 13 Land Rovers and 17 three-ton trucks, all unarmed and supplied in fulfilment of normal commercial orders from industrial concerns in Katanga, crossed the frontier at Kipushi on the 23rd December carrying foodstuffs which were also in fulfilment of normal commercial orders. Furthermore the Government of Northern Rhodesia and the Federal Prime Minister issued a joint statement on 29th December in which it was said that after full examination none of the allegations regarding military supplies to Katanga could be justified. In view of the established policy of the Federal Government, the action which it has taken to ensure that this is implemented and the failure of United Nations authorities to substantiate their allegations, the Federal Government does not consider that there is any justification for the Acting Secretary-General's request to station U.N. observers on Federal territory and has accordingly informed the Acting Secretary-General through the British Government that it must reject his proposal. Nevertheless it recognizes that international issues of the greatest importance are involved and it is anxious to give the United Nations authorities an opportunity of correcting their misunderstanding regarding both Federal policy and the position on the frontier of Northern Rhodesia and Katanga. It has therefore asked the British Government to convey an invitation to the Acting Secretary-General of the United Nations to come to Salisbury

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to discuss the matter with the Federal Government and to inform himself of the situation. The Federal Government proposes to take the opportunity of the Acting Secretary-General's presence in Salisbury to draw the attention of the United Nations to the evidence which the Federal Government possesses regarding events in Katanga and actions by the United Nations forces there. It believes that the U.N. authorities will wish to consider this evidence carefully and make a full investigation into the incidents to which it relates. Some of the well authenticated reports disclose an extremely disturbing state of affairs. It is obvious that the Acting Secretary-General and his advisers believe that the Federation has been guilty of giving military support to the Katanga forces. For its part the Federal Government believes that certain of the U.N. commanders in Katanga have on occasions acted without the Acting Secretary-General's knowledge or authority, secure in the belief that they would not be called upon to justify their actions to world opinion. The Federal Government considers that a full and frank exchange of views is the best way of reaching the truth. As proof that it has nothing to hide, the Federal Government has informed the Acting-Secretary-General that it is prepared, if asked to do so, to invite the International Red Cross to

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extend to air and road communications between Northern Rhodesia and Katanga the present arrangement whereby Red Cross officials inspect all rail traffic going to Katanga from Ndola. These arrangements could be brought into operation without delay.

BRITISH EMBASSY,

LEOPOLDVILLE.

December 21, 1961

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Dear Jack

This is to confirm the proposal to which you gave your agreement by telephone, that a DC3 aircraft of Sabena should fly tomorrow, December 22, to Manono arriving at 7.30 a.m. G.M.T. in response to a request by fifteen Greeks and Cypriots for evacuation.

Yours very sincerely,

John Powell-Jones

(J.E. Powell-Jones)

Identification of plane
Sabena DC 3
OO - CBB.

Monsieur J. Poujoulat,
U.N.O.C.,
Building Royal,
Leopoldville.

Showed Powell Jones at 1545 to tell him that C-46 was blocking runway at Manono and trip should therefore be postponed until further advice from us

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ROUTING SLIP

TO Miss Mathews

	APPROVAL		NOTE AND RETURN
	SEE ME, PLEASE		YOUR COMMENTS
	YOUR SIGNATURE		YOUR INFORMATION
	NOTE AND FILE		FOR ACTION

Attached refers to DC 6 flight today to Elville and then on to Jo'burg to take patient Biddulf. See my cable to Elville of today's date

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FROM

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BRITISH EMBASSY,

LEOPOLDVILLE,

(1018/61) December 20, 1961.

EV-878

Dear Jack,

We have received a telegram from the United Kingdom High Commissioner at Salisbury stating that the Rhodesian authorities have given clearance for the proposed flight to convey Mr. J. Biddulf from Elisabethville to Johannesburg.

I will let you know when we have a reply from Pretoria.

Yours very sincerely,

John Powell-Jones

(J.E. Powell-Jones)

M. J. Poujoulat,
ONUC,
Building Royal,
Leopoldville.

UK Amb. informed
1300
SL → file

From: Mr. Powell-Jones (by phone)

While discussions were actually in progress this morning between Tshombé and British and American consuls to arragge his departure for Ndola, UN aircraft launched heavy strafing attack on Centre of Elisabethville. Tshombé said that in these circumstances it was impossible for him to leave his capital, though he was still prepared to go to Ndola on receipt of assurance that attacks of this sort would cease forthwith and that full cease-fire would take effect from the time of his departure from NDola for Kitona. Consul added that with attack actually in progress it would be physically impossible for Tshombé to leave Elisabethville.

British and American consuls urge that UN authorities in Léopoldville should order the UN Force in Elisabethville to call off air attacks forthwith. They also ask for authority to give assurance requested.

18 December 1961.

P.S. This was transmitted to UK Ambassador in Lio by UK Deputy High Commissioner in Salisbury, latter from information telephoned to him by UK Consul in Eville - Dunnett - who is said to have been speaking ~~for~~ also for US Consul.
Powell Jones has communicated above to US Embassy here

Le Poujoulat

RECU DE L'ONU un pli adressé à M. D.M.H. Riches,

Her Britannic Majesty's Ambassador to the Republic of the Congo

Léopoldville, le 17 Decembre 1961

à 14.40 heures

Helen Riches

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EV-846

17 December 1961

I am referring to the meeting which you had with Dr. Bunche here on the 16th of December 1961 and more particularly to the question of UN's assurances regarding the security and safety of President Moise Tshombe in the event he would be prepared to meet with the Prime Minister of the Central Government of the Republic of the Congo.

In this respect, I would like to recall the letter which I had addressed to President Tshombe on the 6th of October 1961, a copy of which I had transmitted for your information on that same date. This letter reads as follows:

"Monsieur le Président,

"J'ai pris bonne note des déclarations publiques que vous avez faites d'après lesquelles les autorités Katangaises avaient décidé d'envoyer à Léopoldville un émissaire pour autant que la sécurité d'une telle personne soit garantie d'une manière officiele.

"Je saisis cette occasion pour vous réitérer les assurances formelles que je vous avais déjà transmises et selon lesquelles les Nations Unies sont prêtes à garantir la pleine et entière protection et sécurité de vous-même, M. le Président, ainsi que de ceux des émissaires que votre Conseil décidera d'envoyer à Leopoldville afin d'y consulter le Gouvernement Central.

"Il reste bien entendu que ces garanties sont valables pendant toute la durée du séjour à Léopoldville de même qu'elles s'appliquent pendant la période du voyage aussi bien à l'aller qu'au retour."

I should like to reiterate that the assurances given to Mr. Tshombe by ONUC in the above letter are equally valid for Kitona or any other place of meeting in the Congo

H.E. Mr. B.M.H. Riches
Her Britannic Majesty's Ambassador
to the Republic of the Congo
Leopoldville

BRITISH EMBASSY,

B.P. 8049,

LEOPOLDVILLE.

December 16, 1961

EV-839

Dear Monsieur Poujoulat

This is to confirm that, as I explained to you by telephone this morning, the Rhodesian Federal authorities have received a request from the B.C.K. railway for six empty passenger coaches for the evacuation of refugees from Elisabethville, and also for the return to Katanga of four standard goods trucks at present in the Rhodesian railway system.

The Federal authorities are ready to meet this request subject to approval by the U.N. and the Katanga authorities and to undertakings that the train will not be molested. The approval of the Katangese is being sought by H.M. Consul in Elisabethville. I shall be grateful if you would let me know as soon as possible whether the U.N. approve the proposal to send this train and for an assurance that it will not be attacked between Elisabethville and the Northern Rhodesian frontier.

It is understood that the purpose of sending this train will be to evacuate women and children from Elisabethville. A parallel approach is being made to the Katanga authorities to try and secure their approval and a similar assurance.

Yours sincerely, John Powell-Jones

(J.E. Powell-Jones)

Mons. J. Poujoulat,
U.N.O.C.

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

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December 15, 1961

Dear Dr Linner.

EV-826

The Governor-General of Tanganyika, Sir Richard Turnbull, has asked if the following message may be passed from him to Mr. George Ivan Smith at Elisabethville:-

"Most grateful to you for your kind message. We wish you had been here for the celebrations. Hope you emerge from your fort tolerably unscathed and that you will come to stay here when you arrive in Tanganyika.

My warmest wishes to you as well."

Turnbull"

I should be very grateful if you could arrange for Sir Richard Turnbull's message to be conveyed to Elisabethville.

Yours sincerely
D.M.H. Riches
(D. M. H. Riches)

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations Organisation
in the Congo,
Leopoldville.

12th December 1961

Further to our telephone conversation of this morning I take pleasure in giving you hereunder the gist of a message we have received from our representatives in Elisabethville :

"We are puzzled by pattern of events on and emanating from Rhodesian border. Addition of 3 unauthorized coaches to refugee train, statements of Welensky and intercepts of various kinds lead us to suppose major plan afoot. At beginning of hostilities message intercepted referring to pregnant woman who would give birth in 6 days in Kipushi. Rhodesian radio broadcasts in Tshiluba have curious intervals each day with countdown going down 1 each day from 6 to 1. Zero day evidently tomorrow. And broadcasts say quote Tomorrow Eville Unquote Have also intercepted conversations on Rhodesian radiotelephone link offering unlimited sums of money to unidentified persons for some action tomorrow. We cannot control Kipushi road and dare not air reconnaissance Kipushi as it is too close to frontier and we know Royal Rhodesian Air Force standing by for any violation Rhodesian air space. Operation probably includes arms ammunition and most probably personnel. In this context it may be remembered Tshombé's father-in-law is Chief of Lundas some 2,000,000 of whom believed living in Rhodesia. Munongo is also Chief of tribe, many of whom live in Rhodesia. "

ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES AU CONGO
UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION IN THE CONGO

Her Britannic Majesty's Ambassador,
Léopoldville.

JP/JG

Mr. Kanekaratne

ROUTING SLIP

TO Mr. Brodsenn

	APPROVAL		NOTE AND RETURN
	SEE ME, PLEASE		YOUR COMMENTS
	YOUR SIGNATURE		YOUR INFORMATION
	NOTE AND FILE		FOR ACTION

Please initial attached letter which is being sent for your information, and kindly return.

Thanks.

Thanks.

DATE 1/6

FROM WDK

0813/61

BRITISH EMBASSY,
Consular Section,
B.P. 8049,
Leopoldville.

December 7, 1961.

My dear Neville

Thank you for your letter of December 5, in which you forwarded the refund of the Frs. 1407 which we had paid out on behalf of Mr. Catchpole, who was detained in September.

I am glad that this very minor aspect of the clearance of the Katanga problem has been satisfactorily resolved, and am most grateful for your own help.

Yours sincerely

Ramis

(H.M. Consul)

N. Kanakaratne, Esq.,
Legal Adviser,
O.N.U.C.,
B.P. 7248,
LEOPOLDVILLE.

nce 7/12 C.A.O
Chief Finance Officer } For your information

RJK. 7/12

5 December 1961

My dear Francis,

As indicated to you several times on the telephone, your letter 1192/61 of October 3rd has by no means been overlooked or forgotten by me. I was merely waiting for our financial machinery to produce the results ! At long last it has.

Please find enclosed a check made out in favour of the British Embassy for a sum of C.Fr. 1,407.- being the full amount due to the British Embassy on the statement of account forwarded with your letter.

You will of course appreciate that the remittance is to defray the expenses incurred by the British Embassy in regard to the accommodation of Mr. Catchpole in Leopoldville for one night pending his departure for Salisbury, an expenditure which the United Nations is prepared to bear since no air transport to Salisbury was available for the immediate despatch of Mr. Catchpole.

I apologize again for the delay in finalising this matter.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely

N. Kanakaratne

Cheque No. B010665 - Crédit Congolais S.C.R.L.
for Cfr. 1,407 -
dated 2.12.61
enclosed

Mr. Francis Sedgwick-Jell
British Embassy
Leopoldville

BRITISH EMBASSY
B.P. 8049
Leopoldville, Congo Republic

1192/61

October 3, 1961.

My dear Neville

May I ask that you, or Mr. Pagnanelli, please study the enclosed statement of account, and arrange for the sum of 1,407 francs to be paid back into this Embassy? It has been charged, at present, to our own suspense account.

These expenditures were all that were incurred in cash by us on the return to Rhodesia of Mr. Leonard Catchpole, whose case I duscussed with yourself, with Mr. Pagnanelli, and, of course, with the officers of the Military Information service of your Headquarters. As we agreed at the time, undoubtedly the arrest of Mr. Catchpole in Elisabethville was a blunder on the part of the officer concerned in Katanga (to put the case no stronger) and the subsequent admitted treatment of Mr. Catchpole, Squadron-Leader Hillary, and other civilian detainees in the course of the same exercise, has already been commented upon.

I am sending this letter à titre personnelle as I think that you will perhaps have seen that Mr. Catchpole is reported at some length in the British press to be seeking legal advice as to whether he shall sue the U.N., or the individuals concerned with his arrest, in order to obtain satisfaction. There is also the question of his car and other effects, including his passport, which I presume are still where he left them with U.N. headquarters in Elisabethville. I note also that an apology has been tendered in a press interview by Colonel Egge, as quoted in a Reuter headline from Salisbury, "for any ill-treatment Mr. Catchpole may have received". It was satisfactory that prompt action was taken to fly Mr. Catchpole in a United Nations plane to Salisbury (though not back to Ndola itself) once the facts of his mis-arrest were established. In the circumstances I think personally, therefore, that you will wish to continue for the record this "correct" attitude as far as Leopoldville is concerned by meeting at least these minor local expenses.

Yours sincerely
Ranais

(F. Sedgwick-Jell)

Mr. N. Kanakaratne,
Legal Adviser to the
Officer-in-Charge,
O.N.U.C.,
Room 631,
Le Royal,
LEOPOLDVILLE.

Agree but defraying UK expenses which UN might have borne and not implying any acknowledgement of liability to Mr. C.
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Bill

1. For your information + return.
2. I think we should defray the expenses incurred by the British Embassy. If you agree, I'll pass it on to CAO for action.
NJK
3/10/61

With the compliments of

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S
AMBASSADOR

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer in Charge,
ONUC,
Leopoldville.

LEOPOLDVILLE

CONGO REPUBLIC

November 28, 1961.

TEXTE DE LA DECLARATION FAITE PAR SIR PATRICK DEAN, REPRESENTANT PERMANENT DE LA GRANDE-BRETAGNE AUX NATIONS-UNIES, LORS DU DEBAT DU CONSEIL DE SECURITE LE 24 NOVEMBRE 1961 :

" J'ai très peu à ajouter à mes déclarations précédentes. Ma dé-
" légation adhère fortement aux idées que j'ai déjà exprimées.
" En particulier, nous désirons mettre en évidence une fois enco-
" re l'importance suprême du rôle de pacification et de conciliа-
" tion qui, à notre avis, constitue la partie essentielle du man-
" dat des Nations-Unies et des fonctions du Secrétaire Général.
" Si les amendements proposés par la délégation des Etats-Unis
" avaient été approuvés, ma délégation aurait, comme je l'ai dit
" précédemment au cours de ce débat, été heureuse de voter en fa-
" veur de l'ensemble de la résolution. Mais, malheureusement,
" l'Union Soviétique a mis son veto à certains des plus importants
" de ces amendements. Certains, par ailleurs, ont été écartés par
" crainte d'un tel veto.

" Suite aux interventions du distingué représentant de l'Union So-
" viétique, il est devenu tout à fait évident que la délégation
" soviétique a décidé de mettre son veto à tout ce qui ne concorde
" pas exactement avec ses vues.

" Comme le Conseil le sait, l'action soviétique -par l'apposition
" du veto - a laissé inchangés certains paragraphes de la résolu -
" tion originale qui, comme je l'ai expliqué plus tôt, étaient
" inacceptables pour ma délégation. En particulier, nous ne pou -
" vions accepter que la référence aux activités sécessionnistes
" soit uniquement imputée au Katanga, alors qu'on sait très bien,
" depuis longtemps, qu'il y a eu des tendances et des activités
" de sécession ailleurs aussi. De plus, même la version modifiée
" du préambule relatif au Katanga n'est pas strictement exacte
" puisqu'en fait les Katangais ne se livrent actuellement à aucune
" action armée mais, pour autant que nous sachions, observent l'ac-
" cord du cessez-le-feu. En ce qui concerne le paragraphe traitant
" des mercenaires, je n'ai rien à ajouter à mes déclarations anté-
" rieures. Nous croyons fermement qu'il faut se débarrasser des
" mercenaires. Mais la façon dont la résolution est rédigée est,
" à notre avis, dangereuse en ce sens qu'elle encourage le comman-
" dement local à faire usage de mesures de force renforcées, met -
" tant ainsi peut-être en danger la paix incertaine qui règne ac -
" tuellement au Katanga.

" Pour ces raisons, et avec grand regret, ma délégation s'est vue
" dans l'obligation de s'abstenir lors du vote de cette résolution.
" Simultanément, Monsieur le Président, ma délégation éprouve énor-
" mément de satisfaction, suite aux remarques qui viennent d'être
" émises par le Secrétaire Général. Nous accueillons chaleureuse -
" ment l'importance que le Secrétaire Général accorde, dans sa dé -
" claration, à l'esprit de conciliation qui doit régir le règle -
" ment des problèmes du Congo. Nous étudierons avec intérêt la
" suggestion qu'il a émise pour la désignation d'une personne hau-
" tement qualifiée pour entreprendre cette difficile tâche de con-

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"ciliation. Nous espérons sincèrement que, malgré la résolution
" moins que satisfaisante qui vient d'être passée, le Secrétaire
" Général sera en mesure de faire aboutir les opérations des Na-
" tions-Unies au Congo à une conclusion couronnée de succès. S'il
" réussit, aucune délégation ne sera plus heureuse que la mienne.

" Monsieur le Président, en dépit de l'abstention à laquelle ma dé-
" légation a eu recours pour les raisons que j'ai exposées, elle dé-
" sire assurer l'honorable Ministre des Affaires Etrangères de la Ré-
" publique du Congo de notre soutien au Gouvernement qu'il représen -
" te.

" Ma délégation - comme celle des Etats-Unis - est heureuse qu'il
" ne rentre pas chez lui les mains vides. Nous aurions préféré
" qu'il emporte avec lui tous les moyens voulus pour réprimer et
" la sécession et l'action de la force, quels que soient le moment
" et l'endroit où elles pourraient se manifester au Congo.

" Nous espérons très vivement que Monsieur Adoula, Monsieur Bombo-
" ko et leur Gouvernement considèreront l'adoption de la résolution,
" que le Conseil a votée aujourd'hui, comme une source de force et
" d'encouragement pour poursuivre leur tâche tendant à ramener enfin
" la paix et la prospérité au peuple congolais.

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BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

(1031/61)

November 3, 1961

Dear Dr Linner, R → JP

In view of the uncertainty as to the geographical location of the airfield at Kipushi which I understand exists I requested H. M. Consul at Elisabethville and the appropriate authorities of the Rhodesian Federation to enquire into this question.

These enquiries have established that the airfield was built by the Rhodesian Selection Trust for prospecting purposes and was registered with the Rhodesian Department of Civil Aviation on December 3rd, 1958. The fact that it was built by a Rhodesian concern and registered with a Rhodesian authority indicates that the airfield is within the territory of the Federation.

The frontier in that area is not marked by posts or stones; it is however the view of the Rhodesian Federal Government that the frontier runs along the track which crosses the east end of the airfield. Practically the entire landing area is therefore in Rhodesia. There is however a small extension to the airstrip (perhaps 30 yards long) and a parking area which are within Congolese territory.

I hope that this explanation of the situation will be of service to the United Nations and will be borne in mind in connexion with any operation which United Nations forces may carry out in the vicinity of Kipushi.

Yours sincerely,

D. H. H. Riche

(H. M. Ambassador)

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations Organisation in the Congo,
Leopoldville.

REPORT FROM ONUC REPRESENTATIVE IN STANLEYVILLE
DATED 3/11/61 - SUBJECT: DEATH OF A CYPRIOT IN
STANLEYVILLE

CIV-1239

The man murdered is Cypriot called Evangelos Michaelides. He is about 65 years old and has lived about 40 years in Paulis. He was a merchant and was well known. The Head of the Cypriot community in Stan, Constantin Skepareides, has told Ballantyne that Michaelides held British passport. It seems that the criminals knocked at the door and when Michaelides opened he was assaulted. He was hit in the head with an axe, stabbed in the stomach, his throat was cut and he was bruised in the back. No repeat no evidence that any soldiers took part in the crime. The cypriots in the province are upset and have threatened to cease their activities pending the result of the investigation. They also want arms and have stated that they will import arms themselves if the authorities do not give them any. The Stan Security Chief, Massudi, will fly to Paulis to direct personally the investigation. Lengema and Gbenyé were anxious to clear the case up.

Sent to Mr Powell Jones at British Embassy on 4 XI 61

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

October 18, 1961

Dear Dr Linner,

Many thanks for your letter of October 18 containing Dr. O'Brien's message about his statements to the Press. This will be very useful and I am most grateful to you.

Yours sincerely,

D. H. Riche

(H. M. Ambassador)

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations Organisation in the Congo,
Leopoldville.

PJ:mm

18 October 1961

Excellency:

I have transmitted the content of your note of 13 October to Dr. O'Brien who has today replied as follows:

"I did not repeat not say that the operations had been carried out at the request of the Central Government. What I was asked was whether I had seen the instructions of the Central Government and I said of course that I had acted on the instructions of my own authorities and not repeat not of those of the Central Government. I was then asked whether the action had the approval of the Central Government and I replied that since the Central Government knowing of our action had taken certain measures which were then known I did not repeat not say that this marked the end of the secession of Katanga. I emphasized from the beginning that the action was taken within the framework of paragraph A-1 for the prevention of civil war in the context of mounting incitement to tribal violence which then prevailed. I did say that I hoped the ending of this campaign and the avoidance of the civil war danger would bring nearer the unity of the Congo and the end of the secession of Katanga. Both statements appeared to have been telescoped by the press into something resembling the form mentioned. In some press conferences I repeatedly emphasized the above elements always laying stress on the fact that the action was taken within the framework of paragraph A-1 and that we had drawn Tshombe's attention in writing to the fact that certain actions of his Government were contrary to this paragraph."

In addition to the above statement Dr. O'Brien confirms that he has made a similar statement during a televised interview which he gave to the B.B.C. television, the interviewer being Keith Kyle.

H.E. Mr. D.M.H. Riches
United Kingdom Ambassador to
the Republic of the Congo
Leopoldville

S. Linnér
Officer-in-Charge

RECU DE L'ONU UN PLI ADRESSE A M Amb. Riches

United Kingdom Embassy, Leopoldville

Léopoldville, le 17/10/61

à 10.30 heures

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

17 October 1961

Sir,

Yesterday you gave me the text of a "federal press release" dated October 12th. about alleged "proof of UN cease-fire contravention".

We had monitored this on 12 October from the BBC radio newsreel and on October 13 I sent a message to Dr. Bunche saying "Air Commodore Morrison who has investigated this confirms no such message has ever been initiated". On 10 October a note was sent to the delegation of the United Kingdom in New York categorically refuting the accusation and requesting that appropriate action be taken to rectify the error, particularly in view of the fact that publicity of this kind would be very damaging to the vital negotiations which are being carried on in Katanga at this moment.

I think further comments from my side are superfluous.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

S. Linnér
Officer-in-Charge

H.E. Mr. D.M.H. Riches
United Kingdom Ambassador to
the Republic of the Congo
Leopoldville

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Following is text of Federal Press Release dated October 12.

Begins. Proof of U.N. cease-fire contravention.

With regard to the denial by the United Nations that supplies of ammunition have, in contravention of the Katanga cease-fire agreement been sent United Nations strong points in Katanga, a spokesman of the Federal Government said that the Government was prepared to release one example of the many intercepted messages picked up. On September 24 - that is three days after the cease-fire - the following message was sent from U.N. H.Q. Katanga Command to Air Ops Leopoldville at 1430 hours "22000 pounds ammunition required to be air-dropped from Manono to Elisabethville. Request position one (corrupt group) at Manono for Shuttle." There is also the evidence of a number of reliable eye witnesses that United Nations strong points in Elisabethville have been reinforced with sandbags, trenches and machine gun emplacements. As stated by the Prime Minister on October 7, the U.N. forces in the Congo have, since the Katanga cease-fire, been strengthened considerably by the arrival of

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modern fighters, bombers and transport aircraft. It can, of course, be said by the U.N. that these reinforcements are for purely defensive purposes. People will, however, no doubt draw their own conclusions. Ends.

Mr Cot. - JP

BRITISH EMBASSY
LEOPOLDVILLE

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October 13, 1961

Any comments? so check with the foreign then send to O'Brien

Dear Dr Linner,

" I should be very grateful for your help in the following matter.

The Minister of State at the Foreign Office, Mr. Godber, is in New York where he has had conversations with Dr. Bunche. The record of one of these conversations contains the following:-

> "At this point Dr. Bunche said that Mr. O'Brien had denied publicly the two statements to the Press which had been attributed to him, namely
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> (i) that the operation had been carried out at the request of the central Government; and
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> (ii) that this marked the end of the secession of Katanga."

The Foreign Office cannot trace any public denial by Mr. O'Brien in this sense and have asked me whether I can supply any relevant information. A search of our files has revealed nothing, and I therefore seek your help. The matter is of some importance since Dr. Bunche told the Minister of State that he could use this denial in the House of Commons. "

Yours sincerely,

D.H.H. Lidle

(H. M. Ambassador)

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations Organisation in the Congo,
Leopoldville.

With the compliments of

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S
AMBASSADOR

Dr. S. Linner,

Officer in Charge,

U.N.O.C.

LEOPOLDVILLE
CONGO REPUBLIC

October 11, 1961.

EXTRAITS D'UNE DECLARATION FAITE LE 7 OCTOBRE PAR SIR ROY WELENSKY, PREMIER MINISTRE DE RHODESIE.

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Le nombre d'allégations non fondées, qui ont été formulées concernant les activités de la Fédération pour soutenir le gouvernement du Président Tshombé au Katanga, ont pris une telle ampleur qu'il me faut essayer de ramener les choses à de justes proportions.

Passons en revue quelques unes de ces allégations et essayons de leur opposer les faits exacts de la situation, tels que je les connais.

Tout d'abord, en ce qui concerne la fourniture d'armes et d'équipements militaires au gouvernement du Katanga, je désire déclarer catégoriquement que le gouvernement fédéral n'a pas cessé, en aucun moment, de respecter la plus stricte neutralité à l'égard de l'usage de la force au Congo. Non seulement, nous avons soigneusement veillé à ce que les armes ou l'équipement militaire de la Fédération ne passent pas notre frontière, mais nous avons, en outre, refusé l'autorisation de faire passer un tel équipement par notre territoire, et ce sans distinction de provenance...

Le second genre d'allégation dirigée contre la Fédération prétend que nous facilitons et le passage de mercenaires étrangers se rendant au Katanga et que nous encourageons les Rhodésiens à servir dans les rangs des Forces Katangaises. Pas plus que les Nations-Unies, je ne suis en mesure de me rendre compte du nombre de Rhodésiens qui figurent ou ont figuré dans les troupes du Président Tshombé mais je doute fort qu'il y en ait plus d'une demi-douzaine - si même ils atteignent ce chiffre. Le Président Tshombé a déclaré qu'il n'y avait plus aucun mercenaire étranger parmi ses forces armées et qu'il n'en a d'ailleurs plus besoin maintenant. Je le crois et, pour prouver la bonne foi de la Fédération et aussi notre désir de voir disparaître tous les obstacles empêchant une solution pacifique des différends opposant le Katanga au reste du Congo, je fais des démarches pour faire savoir à tous les citoyens de Rhodésie et du Nyassaland - qui pourraient encore servir dans les forces katangaises - qu'ils ont à prendre immédiatement leurs dispositions pour quitter le territoire du Katanga. Quiconque sera signalé au gouvernement de la Fédération comme refusant d'obtempérer à mon ordre, fera l'objet d'une enquête dont la conclusion pourrait être le retrait de son passeport.

Pour conclure, permettez-moi de définir une fois de plus l'attitude du gouvernement fédéral à l'égard du Katanga et du Congo. Cette politique n'a subi aucun changement depuis le début des troubles au Congo. Notre politique est orientée et continuera à s'orienter de façon à promouvoir une solution congolaise aux difficultés congolaises. Nous sommes opposés et continuerons à nous opposer à toute solution imposée par l'extérieur. Car n'ayant point ses origines dans le sol même du Congo, une solution de ce genre ne pourrait engendrer qu'un nouveau chaos, une nouvelle violence et une nouvelle effusion de sang.

letter

To: Mr. Riches

From: Dr. Linner

I have received your letter of October the 5th conveying the text of a Note from M. Tshombe to the British Consul, Elisabethville. In reply I confirm that the United Nations Organisation in the Congo will guarantee the personal security of M. Tshombe's proposed emissary to Leopoldville and of M. Tshombe himself, if he should eventually come to Leopoldville

letter

To:

Dr. S. Linner,
Officer-in-Charge,
United Nations
Organisation in
the Congo,
Leopoldville.

From:

Mr. Riches

Her Majesty's Consul in Elisabethville received on the 3rd of October a Note from M. Tshombe dated the 30th of September. The text is as follows:-

"The Council of Ministers meeting this morning has decided to send an emissary to Leopoldville carrying a very important message for Monsieur Adoula. I request the intervention of the Government you represent so that the security of this person may be formally guaranteed."

I hope that you will be able to authorize me to inform my Government that the United Nations reaffirm their guarantee of the security of the proposed emissary and of M. Tshombe if he should come to Leopoldville himself. I will gladly arrange for H.M. Consul to convey this guarantee to M. Tshombe in reply to his Note.