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09 OCTOBER 1995

TO: TOUSIGNANT UNAMIR, KIGALI	FROM: VAN KAPPEN FOR ANNAN for UNATIONS, NEW YORK
Fax No:	Fax. No: 212-963-4879
SUBJECT: COMPLAINT BY UN STAFF MEMBER AGAINST UNAMIR MILITARY POLICE.	
ATTN: CMPO	DRAFTED BY: LT COL YOUSSIF ROOM NO: 3650 EXT: 3721
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1. PLEASE FIND ATTACHED A SELF EXPLANATORY LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UN FIELD SERVICE STAFF UNION TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, REGARDING TREATMENT RECEIVED BY ONE OF THE MEMBERS FROM UNAMIR MILITARY POLICE.

2. IN THE LETTER, IT IS STATED THAT A BOARD OF INQUIRY INTO THE ALLEGATIONS WAS INSTITUTED. PLEASE SEND TO US A COPY OF THE INQUIRY REPORT, PLUS ANY OTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO THE CASE.

BEST REGARD.

FC CMPO

UNAMIR -> clear

Field Service Staff Union

DPKO

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September 20, 1995

H.E. Mr Boutros Boutros Ghali
Secretary-General
Room S-3800
United Nations Headquarters
New York, N.Y. 10017

Sir,

On the 17th February 1995, I received a complaint from a UNAMIR staff member, Mr Patsey Mullings, in which he stated that he had been physically assaulted, handcuffed and placed in detention by UNAMIR Military Police for alleged driving while intoxicated.

The incident was investigated by the UNAMIR administration who have concluded in their Board of Enquiry Report No.HQ0033 that the UNAMIR Military Police used unnecessary and excessive force against FSO Mullings, and that allegations of driving while intoxicated were not substantiated.

I share your expressed concerns for the safety and security of UN staff and find it distressing that the United Nations cannot ensure the safety and security of it's staff from it's own personnel. Therefore, I wish to officially protest in the strongest terms the action of the Military Police in UNAMIR which resulted in actual bodily harm being caused against Mr Mullings.

I would like to see standardized regulations drawn up governing the treatment of civilian staff serving in peace-keeping missions who may fall under Military Police jurisdiction , in particular the right to arrest and detain. Providing such missions with a set of clear and unambiguous instructions would be of great assistance in preventing a recurrence of such a serious incident.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration,

Richard A. Dellar
President FSSU

cc: Mr Kofi Annan
USG DPKO

Mr Shaharyar M.Khan
Special Representative of S-G
UNAMIR Rwanda

FSO Patsey Mullings
UNAMIR Rwanda

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UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE MISSION FOR RWANDA

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Kig Det Cmdr

FROM: Ops WO

INFO: RSM

DATE: 12 May 95

SUBJECT: DISCIPLINE-BREACH OF REGULATIONS

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1. I have been informed that yesterday morning, the 11 May 95, Sgt CHIBWE was seen by two witnesses transporting a local girl in a patrol vehicle which is contrary to the Force Commander and CO MP Coy directives. Also on board of the patrol vehicle was present Sgt FULUNGANDA and a Cpl.

2. I suggest that this case be handle by RSM for CO's action.

(2) Co force MP Coy.

I think that we have to have an end to this kind of things.

12/5/95 CPT Chemuy

J.C.

UNAMIR

UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE MISSION FOR RWANDA

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Major J. Sichilima
CO Force MP Coy

INFO: Kigali Detachment Commander
Kigali Detachment WO
OIC Investigation
2IC Investigation

FROM: J.P.N. Chouinard
Coy Ops NCM

DATE: 17 May 95

SUBJECT: ACCUSATION OF DISRESPECT AND RACISM TOWARDS WOII AKYEAMPONG

REF:
A. WOII AKYEAMPONG's Memorandum, dated 16 May 95(enclosed)
B. Minutes, dated 12 May 95(enclosed)
C. UNAMIR/MP COY/710-165-95, dated 12 May 95

1. At reference A, WOII AKYEAMPONG has made a serious accusation against me, concerning disrespect and racism.

2. My aim is to answer these accusations in writing, as I am quite tired of hearing Canadian members of the MP Coy accused of being "racists" merely because they point out a shortcoming to a member of an African country.

3. At Reference A, para (1)a, the use of the word "worthless" is taken from the Concise Oxford Dictionary, being a thing without value. This is exactly what Reference C was when I received it for corrections. "Worthless" is just a word and WOII AKYEAMPONG should accept this criticism as fact and rectify his investigative process accordingly.

4. Concerning the point of "disrespect to a Senior NCM", at para 2 of reference A, WOII AKYEAMPONG is confusing his rank with my responsibilities. My duties are to ensure that all reports leaving the MP Coy are written professionally, reflecting accuracy and conciseness. I am currently spending over 10 hours per day in this endeavour. Reference C was initiated at the request of the UNAMIR BOI Unit. When reference C was submitted for correction, the initial information provided by the BOI Unit, was literally copied and given a file key, hence the comment "like parrots" at Reference B, para (1)l. If WOII AKYEAMPONG feels singled out, I can provide a list of Military Police Personnel, working at this Coy, for which this figurative speech may also apply.

5. As for the disrespect to the human race, I must admit that I am at a loss concerning this comment as I never made mention of any philosophy in my minutes.

6. At reference A, para (3)c, WOII AKYEAMONG mentions "a bunch of black people". Again, throughout my minutes never did I use the word "black" or any other racially motivated comment. WOII AKYEAMPONG should be reminded to be more accurate when he writes correspondence. Individuals, including myself, may interpret this as slander.

7. I am fully aware that we, at the UNAMIR MP Coy, are people from "different nationalities and culture". This is not the issue here. It is merely the fact of doing the job for which we were sent here to do. If WOII AKYEAMPONG does his job I will do mine and we will "co-exist peacefully". Nothing of what I wrote was "Personal". I did my job.

8. This is the second time that I am labelled as a racist because I am doing my job. I will not apologize because I am doing my job and if it frustrate others when it is pointed out that they are not doing theirs properly, so be it. If people in this Coy would be held accountable for what they do wrong, I would not have to answer these misguided accusations.

9. I will not apologize for "the black race" as I never mentioned "the black race " in my minutes. This is obviously a problem that WOII AKYEAMPONG has created for himself and I will not accept <u>his</u> interpretation of my minutes.

10. If you feel that I am not doing my job properly, it is well within your authority to replace me. It is about time that people stop brandishing "the sword of racism" each time that someone else points out our faults.

11. For your information, Sir

J.P.N. Chouinard
MCpl
Coy Ops NCM

TO: CO FORCE MP COY

DATE: 16 MAY 95

SUBJECT: UNGUARDED COMMENTS

1. I wish to bring to your notice an abusive comments made by MCR CHOUNARI on a report submitted by me to the Coy ops. A copy is attached to this memo for your perusal and action deemed fit.

2. It is rather unfortunate for a soldier from a nation and an Armed Forces which has ~~won~~ international admiration to exhibit such disrespect for seniors and human race.

3. I wish to add that the following be brought to his notice:

a. The Military profession internationally has the same code of ethics.

b. This is an international society where peaceful co-existence and the use of polite language

is required.

c. Eventhough we are a bunch of black people, we are not a bunch of PARROIS as he thinks

d. He should know that we are people from different nationalities and Culture, hence there is the need for him to try to hide his personal feelings.

4. Finally he should be made to understand that he owe me and for that matter the Black RACE an apology.

AKYEAMPONG C
WO II
FORCE MY (CY)

DISTRIBUTION
F PM
OC INVEST
KIGALI DET. (COMD).
WO IC MP

TO: Investigation Section(thru WO IC MP)

FR: Coy Ops NCM

Ref: UNAMIR/KIG 710-165-95, dated 12 May 95

1. Please note the following observation regarding this file:

a. This report is totally worthless.

b. The primary reason why the BOI Unit turns to us to investigate these past incident is to determine, among other things, the liability of the driver in the incident.

c. There is nothing in your report that the BOI Unit did not already know.

d. When someone is involved in a single car accident at night while it is raining and while negotiating a curve, the first question that comes to my mine is "Was the driver speeding at the time of the accident?. Did you even asked that from him.? If you did, where is it in your report.

e. When I mean speeding, it does not have to be over the posted speed limit. The driver should always adapt his speed to the driving/road conditions. Sometime when it is raining too heavily the safe thing that a driver should do is stop or never leave his home.

f. Any action that the driver took or failed to take to prevent the accident may be regarded as negligence and that is what the BOI Unit is looking for and that is what investigating is all about.

g. It is not enough to take a statement from someone and put it in a nice little format and send it in for corrections and hope for the best. People lie sometime. It is human nature. Especially when that person knows that he has done something wrong.

h. What were the road condition at the time. Pavement, dirt, what?

i. If you look closely at the statement that Capt MCHUNGULA provided to you, you will realize that it is not at all what he reported in his UDAR at the time of the accident. In the UDAR, he said that while he entered the curve, he was doing 20-30 Km/h, and blamed his lost of control on the narrow and bumpy road. That his not what he told you according to his statement and your report. He stated that he entered the curved, hit a tree trunk and lost control. Never did he mention his speed or the condition of the road. Only one version can be correct. Which version is correct? Or maybe there is another possibility that he was going two fast for the driving condition and simply lost control in the curve?

Did you challenge any of these two versions to see Capt Capt MCHUNGULA reaction?

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m. This is pathetic and I think that it is time to change or just go home.

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3. For signatures, should you decide to submit it as it is

4. Please action A.S.A.P.

Merci/Thank you

J.P.N. Chouinard
MCpl
Coy Ops NCM
12 May 95

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CO

MCpl Chouinard

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MCpl CHOUINARD

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2 Serial 3 also advise the investigator that is why you sotted these reports.

File 5200-1

UNAMIR

1ST BATTALION

UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE MISSION FOR RWANDA

082/06/A

02 April 95

From : INDBATT

To : OC MP Coy

Info : COS

G3 OPS

Subject :- SECURITY MEASURES

1. Several security measures have been instituted at the UN service station which has been plagued with security problems ever since it was taken over by UN. These are reviewed from time to time and orders are passed through UNAMIR HQ for the same. Keeping in view the present security situation, one such measure being implemented is the checking of UN ID Cards of all personnel entering the premises.

2. On 02 Apr 95 at approx 1730h, an MP Coy vehicle came to the UN service station. When the driver was asked to show his UN ID Card, he refused, lost his temper and drove off. This action was uncalled for and it is not understood why the MP Coy driver took it amiss.

3. You are requested to instruct your personnel to abide by the security procedures being followed as laid down by UNAMIR HQ.

(PC Roy)
Major
Adjutant
for CO INDBATT

(2) G3 ops
unamir HQ

MP volunteered 10 extra days of work

Plz to my CO
11/4

OC MP Coy

If the MP expect people to show their ID card when requested by MPs then they must be prepared to do the same.

G3 OPS

NTF
SGT ALEXANDRA, THE CHARGE WAS PLACED WAS CHARGED BY MAJ AND AWARDED 10 DAYS EXTRA DUTIES. NFA/BA
13/4/95

Coy
5200-1

UNAMIR
MILITARY POLICE
MILITAIRE
KIGALI
RWANDA

MEMO

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SUBJECT DRESS AND WEAPONS	**DATE** 17 MAR 95

REFFERRED TO	**REMARKS**
SHIFT I/C s, I/C INVEST, I/C TRAFFIC	ENSURE ALL YOUR PERS ARE WELL BRIEFED ON THIS MEMO. POST A COPY IN YOUR OFFICE FOR ALL TO SEE. M PICARD DET ADMN

Owen Det Adm
Please file

N. Mouzyk
MCW
30 Mar 95

UNAMIR

UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE MISSION FOR RWANDA

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL PERSONNEL

FROM: CRSM

DATE: 15 Mar 95

SUBJECT: FORCE MP COY DRESS AND WEAPON CARRIAGE POLICY

REF: 5000.45 (PLANS) 7 Nov 94

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1. This instruction is issued in order to comply with the aim of the Force Commander directive at reference and adapt it to our special situation and the security situation of the day.

2. All the Company personnel are on operations and are considered to be on duty at all time. Therefore at all time the following minimum procedures will apply when driving a UNAMIR vehicle;

DAY TIME (0600-1800 hrs)

ON DUTY - One man dressed in uniform and armed.

OFF DUTY - Two men concept applies and one of them should be in uniform during working hours.

NIGHT TIME (1800 - 0600 hrs)

ON DUTY - Two men dressed in uniform and armed.

OFF DUTY - Two men at all time, Wearing civilian clothes is authorized.

At no time will a person carry a weapon in civilian clothes.

NOTE: Duty investigator and Coy duty officer will be exempt of the two men concept only when they are called for emergencies or when they come visiting the company.

MP COY

file

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circulate to all.

Office of the DFC/CMO
UNAMIR Force HQ
Kigali
Rwanda

1000.7(DFC)/G/5

22 December 1994

ALL CONTINGENTS/UNITS

SEDUCTION OF GIRLS BELOW THE AGE OF 18 YEARS BY UNAMIR PERSONNEL

1. In a meeting between UNAMIR Principal Staff and RPA representatives held recently at the FHQ, it was drawn to my notice by RPA representatives, that cases of seduction of young girls by UNAMIR personnel are becoming more and more common.

2. RPA officials have expressed their strong disapproval of such acts and the SRSG has fully endorsed these sentiments and has further directed that exemplary punishments be meted out to the perpetrators of such acts.

3. In order to protect and uphold the good image of UNAMIR, you are directed to advise all ranks to desist from such activities.

5. Accept for information and guidance of all under command.

HK Anyidoho
Brig Gen
DFC/CMO

NTF
Copy made and placed in circulation
C. Vezina
21/1/95

Kigali DAT Cmdr
PASS ON TO ALL
22/12/94

(2) Sgt Vezina
Please let everyone see this so that our MPs don't fall prey
Capt.

cc: SRSG, FC, CAO

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UNAMIR

MILITARY POLICE MILITAIRE

KIGALI RWANDA

UNAMIR
MILITARY POLICE COMPANY
INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: DISTRIBUTION LIST

FM: KIGALI DET CMDR

DATE: 05 May 95

SUBJECT: DETAINEES VISIT

1. It has been brought to my attention that on the 5 May 95 two military from NIBATT came and asked someone to let them visit the Nigerian prisoner without going through the commanding officer or the shift commander.

2. I need to make it clear to everyone in the company that the prisoner is under the responsibility of the CO of MP Coy and the shift commander has the duty to ensure that security of the detention room is afforded and that solely authorized personnel is admitted within the confines of the detention facilities.

S. CHEMINGUI
Capt
Kigali Det Comdr

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ASSISTANCE MISSION IN RWANDA MISSION POUR L'ASSISTANCE AU RWANDA

UNAMIR - MINUAR

To: CO UNAMIR MP Coy

Info: G3 Ops
UN HRFOR (for Mr Essaied and Team Leader Kigali)

From: Force PM

Date: 10 Mar 95

Subject: THE CLOSE PROTECTION OF Mr MAJAMBERE

1. After discussion in HQ UNAMIR and with UN HRFOR personnel, it has been decided that RPA LOs should not be allowed to speak to Mr Majambere without first obtaining a formal request from a Government Minister who has an interest in the case. It is hoped that this requirement might prompt Ministers to release to us a copy of the report thought to have been completed by the Gendarmerie.

2. In the meantime - and whilst noting that this task has already far exceeded the original requirement and that the individual is now protected through the allocation of a cell - you are asked to continue with it until further notified.

② Kigali Det Comd
for info/action.
11/3 CO

③ NCM Det Admin
See minute ② and action. Please file attach.
D.R.W. Chouinard

④ Det Cmdr
For info - pls rtn to me to be filed -
Det Admin
13 Mar 95

① Major Plante

File 5200-4

MEMORANDUM

TO: W. CLARANCE, CHIEF OF MISSION
A. ESSAIED, DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION

CC: KIBUNGO TEAM

FROM: MICHELE WAGNER

DATE: 07 MARCH 1995

SUBJECT: UNAMIR DETENTION OF MAJAMBERE

This morning Major Plante, Director of the UNAMIR Military Police detention facility called me to a meeting in his office to communicate to me that due to information he received yesterday and earlier this morning, he has decided to place Majambere, a Human Rights witness who is being held under UNAMIR protection, in confined custody -- that is , a cell -- beginning today. He will be remain confined within this cell except for limited, supervised exercise time.

Major Plante is in the process of filing a report noting this decision to UNAMIR headquarters. His discussion with me constituted official notification of Human Rights (HR-FOR).

I visited Majambere in his cell this morning. I do not believe that he clearly understands what his situation is.

② Mme Chaumont
for our needs.
9/3 CO

③ Cpl Picard
Please file under "Detention".
J.P.W. Chouinard
MG(o)
9 Feb 95.

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UNAMIR - MINUAR

To: CO Force MP Coy

From: Force PM/SO2 G1 Discipline

Info: DCOS Ops, DCOS Sp

Date: 3 Feb 94

File: FPM/5

(1) Subject: THE 3 RWANDAN CIVILIANS DETAINED BY UNAMIR ON SUN 29 JAN

You are to release the 3 Rwandan civilians detained by UNAMIR since Sun 29 Jan 95 because - as discussed with Capt Chemengui last night -"it has been determined that the evidence obtained against them is insufficient to justify them being handed to the civil authorities."

M CUTHBERT-BROWN
Maj
Force PM/SO2 G1 Disc

(2) Capt Chemingui
Pls release as ordered by the FPM.
Maj
CO
3 Feb

(3) NMO
3 DETAINEES RELEASED TO M. BIZIMANA INNOCENT
CC 265 FORM NFO CONCERN AT 1430HRS, 3/2/95
4/2/95

(4) CC
PA TO file
4/2/95