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TO: HQ UNAMIR / OPS /

FROM: MILOB GP HQ // OPS //

DATE: 18.2.95

SUBJ: INFO / ACTION REQUIRED

1. Attached report for your info / action. MILOB HQ contact is SDO-1 at telephone 83911 (extension 102) or CHAN 14 (C/S C3A).

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Attachments:

1. INVESTIGATION REPORT FROM MILOB SECT 4A  
DATED 15.2.95. (MBUGA INCIDENT)
2. PATROL REPORT FROM MILOB SECTOR 5  
DATED 18.2.95 (ARREST OF INTRUDER)

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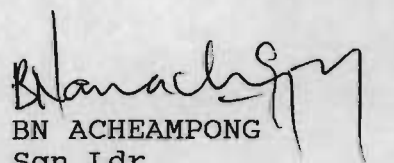
FROM: MILOB SECTOR 4A HQ.

TO: MILOB GP HQ.

DATE: 15 FEB 95.

SUBJECT: INVESTIGATION REPORT - MBUGA INCIDENT

1. Please find attached a detailed report of above mentioned incident.
2. Submitted for your attention.

  
BN ACHEAMPONG  
Sqn Ldr  
for Sector Commander

INVESTIGATION REPORT

FROM: RM-2.

DATE: 15 FEB 95

1. LOCATION/PLACE OF

- a. Incident: GAHIRA 4127.
- b. Report: GIHETA.

2. DATE OF

- a. Incident: 14 Feb 95.
- b. Report: 15 Feb 95.

3. TYPE OF INCIDENT: Abduction and Stealing.

4. PERSONS INVOLVED

- a. Who is reporting: Mr Rukeramihigo Daniel.
- b. Who caused the incident: Allegedly RPA soldiers, number approximately 10.
- c. Witnesses: Mr Rukeramihigo Daniel.
- d. Who are the Victims: Mr Munhira Innocent.

5. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT:

( Refer to report attached )

6. PROBABLE CAUSE: Bandits in military uniform robbing at gun point.

7. COMMENTS: The team suspects that it was bandit's dressed in military uniform who went to the village to harass and abduct the victim.

### DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

1. The incident occurred on 14 Feb 95 in the village of GAHIRA 4127 at around 2200hrs. About ten (10) persons arrived at the village in a camouflaged car and started shooting. Upon hearing the shooting MR RUKERAMIHIGO DANIEL along with his wife, a neighbor of the victim came out of their house to find out what was happening. They saw three (3) armed persons standing in front of their house. One of the three armed persons held MR RUKERAMIHIGO DANIEL by the neck and told him that they were soldiers. They then took him to MR NDIHAMBANDI ELIAS' house where he observed two (2) other persons standing north of the house of MR NDIHAMBANDI. The two he says, were carrying placards which they placed in front of the house. They then knocked at MR NDIHAMBANDI's door. After the door was open they demanded for money from MR NDIHAMBANDI. After taking the money available in the house they then took MR NDIHAMBANDI along with them.

2. It is understood from MR MUNHIRA INNOCENT who was sleeping in the other room said that the whole operation lasted about thirty (30) minutes. The whereabouts of MR NDIHAMBANDI are not yet known. For the moment no one can tell whether he was killed or is still in their custody. It is also understood that he had about half a million AMAFRANGA in his house that he collected from beer and other consumable sales.

3. The team arrived at the place of incident at around 1130hrs and returned at around 1305hrs on 15 Feb 95.

4. G3 of Force HQ accompanied by Force Provost Marshall and other officers from Force HQ arrived at the place of incident in a UN helicopter. They saw the victim's house and talked to the villagers. It is understood that during this occurrence the villagers cried for help, but could not get any. The team collected two (2) grenades allegedly thrown by the bandits, from one member of the Australian Medical Team at MBUGA 4224 DP camp. This was later handed over to G3 FHQ. The villagers suspected banditry which they say takes place nearly every week.

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SAMUEL QUARTEY-PAPAFIO  
Sqn Ldr  
Team leader Team-2

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MILOB GP HQ

TO : FHQ (OPS)  
DFC/CMO

Date : 26 Jan 95

FROM : MILOB GP HQ

Ref : 6464.0 / OPS

SUBJECT : INVESTIGATION REPORT - SNATCHING OF RADIO FROM A DP AT  
MATA DP CAMP ON 22 JAN 95

1. Attached please find mentioned report from MILOBS Sector 4A, GIKONGORO.
2. Submitted, please, for your perusal and necessary action.
3. Please acknowledge receipt.

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INVESTIGATION REPORT

FROM: RM-3.

DATE: 23 JAN 95

1. LOCATION/PLACE OF

- a. Incident: MATA 514158.
- b. Report: MATA 514158.

2. DATE OF

- a. Incident: 22 Jan 95.
- b. Report: 23 Jan 95.

3. TYPE OF INCIDENT: Snatching a radio from a DP and later on shooting the DP at MATA DP Camp by RPA.4. PERSONS INVOLVED

- a. Who is reporting: MILOB team, Ghanbatt and DPs.
- b. Who caused the incident: RPA and the DPs.
- c. Witnesses: DPs of MATA Camp.
- d. Who are the Victims:

- (1) Ndahunga Venutse (Killed-DP, MATA Camp)
- (2) Gerard Bisamaza (Injured-RPA soldier)
- (3) Following Arrested:
  - (a) Ntakirutimana Alphouse.
  - (b) Rutarana Slausus.
  - (c) Nlanywahmana Dominco.
  - (d) NyiresHEMA Celestine.

5. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT:

( Refer to report attached )

6. PROBABLE CAUSE: Resistance by the DPs of the camp against the RPA harassment.7. COMMENTS: There should be further investigation on the matter.



DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

1. On 22 Jan 95, at about 1200 hrs in the day, two RPA soldiers entered into MATA DP camp. One of the soldiers tried to retrieve a radio set from one of the DPs. But the DPs instead of giving the radio set to RPA soldiers, ambushed the soldiers. They took away one weapon from an RPA soldier. The DPs also beat up the soldiers. One of the two soldiers went to the nearest RPA camp located at MATA tea garden and reported the incident. Then 06 (six) RPA soldiers along with some civilians came and entered into the MATA DPs camp.
2. During the process few DPs went to the nearest Ghanbatt and reported the incident. The formed troops from the D-coy 12 platoon went to the location and secured the place.
3. According to the DPs they have left the gun (which was snatched from the RPA soldier) with the camp chief. Before the arrival of the Ghanbatt platoon the RPA soldiers tried to recover the weapon they had lost. During this process they have killed one of the DPs and recovered their weapon from the camp chief. The RPA have arrested total 15 (Fifteen) DPs from the location. Later they took 04 (Four) DPs with them and released the others. The Ghanbatt platoon remained in the location from 221300 Jan 95 to 230600 Jan 95. Second in command of the Ghanbatt visited the place.



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Date 26/01/95

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MILOB GP HQ

TO : FC  
DFC  
FHQ (OPS BRANCH)

DATE 26 JAN 95

FROM : MILOB GP HQ

SUBJECT: INVESTIGATION REPORT OF ALLEGED KILLING  
ON NYAMIRUNDI ISLAND - SECTOR 5

1. Attached herewith please copy of report of subject above.
2. Please acknowledge receipt.

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INVESTIGATION REPORT

REF: INV.37

INVESTIGATION COMMENCED: 17.01.95

DATE INVESTIGATION CLOSED: -----

DESCRIPTION OF INVESTIGATION:

KILLING OF 4 CIVILIANS BY RPA ON ISLAND OF NYAMIRUNDI (GS 2297)

RECORD OF INVESTIGATION:

ON 17 JAN MILOBS PATROLLED AREA OF KAYOVE (GS 2892) AND GISHWATI (GS 2396). TEAM WAS INFORMED ABOUT ALLEGED KILLING OF 18 PERS ON ISLAND WEST OF GISHWATI.

ON 18 JAN JOINT TEAM (HR - OSKAR LEHNER, MILOB - CAPT GALUFU) STARTED INVESTIGATION CONCERNING KILLING OF CIVILIANS ON ISLAND OF NYAMIRUNDI (GS 2297). TEAM INTERVIEWED THREE SURVIVING CIVILIANS AND RPA SECT COMD AND FOUND AS FOLS :

1. GENERAL:

THE PEOPLE IN GISWATI AREA AND KAYOVE COMMUNE ARE LIVING IN FEAR OF RPA SOLDERS AND THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT AND SOME ARE TRYING TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY. RUMOURS HAVE BEEN SPREAD THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS CONDUCTING GENOCIDE IN REVENGE ON RETURNEES. SOME PEOPLE ARE SETTLING SCORES BY REPORTING AGAINST THIER NEIGHOURS AND GETTING THEM ARRESTED BY THE RPA.

2. INCIDENT REPORT.

2.A. RPA RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT THERE WERE SIX INTERAHAMWE ON THE ISLAND OF NYAMIRUNDI. THE RPA SECTION COMD KUBWIMANA BTERARA AND TWO SOLDERS WENT WITH MR. ISA (A FISHERMAN) AND HIS BOAT TO THE ISLAND. WHEN THEY WERE APPROACHING THE ISLAND THEY PICKED UP MR. NDAHURUHUNGA WHO WAS SWIMMING IN THE LAC AND TOOK HIM ALONG TO THE ISLAND TO SEARCH THE PERSONS REPORTEDLY HIDING IN THE ISLAND.

2.B. THE SECTION COMD WITH THE CIVILIAN AND THE TWO OTHER SOLDERS DIVIDED THEMSELVES AND SEARCHED IN TWO TEAMS FOR THE INTERAHAMWE. SECTION COMD FOUND THE FIRST PERSON HIDING IN

THE TALL GRASS AND SHOT HIM AT POINT BLANK RANGE AFTER QUESTIONING HIM AND ACCORDING TO THE EYEWITNESS TAKING AWAY HIS MONEY. THE SAME PROCEDURE WAS USED TO DEAL WITH THE NEXT TWO PERSONS. THE FOURTH VICTIM TRIED TO ESCAPE BUT WAS SHOT FROM RANGE OF 10 METERS. THE FIFTH PERSON HIDING A FEW METERS AWAY IN THE GRASS WAS SPARED BECAUSE HE WAS THE COUSIN OF MR. NDAHURUHUNGA. HE WAS TAKEN IN CUSTODY TO KAYOVE MILITARY PRISON. THE MONEY AND PERSONAL ITEMS OF THE VICTIMS WERE TAKEN AWAY BY THE SECTION CMD. TWO CIVILIANS SURVIVED HIDING IN THE HIGH GRASS OF THE ISLAND. ALL ATTEMPTS BY THE RPA TO LOCATE THEM FAILED.

- 2.C. THE RPA SECTION CMD WENT TO THE MAIN LAND AND REPORTED TO HIS SUPERIORS. THE SAME DAY HE AND SOME OF HIS SOLDERS WERE TRANSFERRED TO KINUNU (GS 2189). THE POPULATION WAS INFORMED AND THE BODIES WERE IDENTIFIED AND BURIED NKOLA RIVER (GR 222954).

3. CONCLUSION:

INVESTIGATION TEAM IS OF THE OPINION THAT FOUND THAT RPA SECTION CMD EXCEEDED HIS AUTHORITY AND SHOT THE VICTIMS IN COLD BLOOD WITH A MOTIVE TO TAKE AWAY THIER PERSONNEL BELONGINGS. THE VICTIMS COULD HAVE BEEN JUST ARRESTEDD BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT ARMED AND DID NOT ATTACK THE RPA SOLDERS.

THE TALL BRASS AND SHORT MAN AT POINT BLANK RANGE  
 IDENTIFIED HIM AND ACCORDING TO THE EVIDENCE TAKEN AWAY  
 HIS NAME WAS JOHN. THE SAME EVIDENCE WAS USED TO DEAL WITH THE  
 TWO PERSONS. THE FEMALE VICTIM TRIED TO ESCAPE BUT WAS SHOT  
 FROM RANGE OF 10 FEET. THE FIFTH PERSON HIDING A FEW FEET  
 AWAY IN THE GRASS WAS SHOT BECAUSE HE WAS THE COUSIN OF  
 MR. ROBINSON. HE WAS TAKEN IN CUSTODY TO JAVIER WILLIAMS  
 PRISON. THE MONEY AND PERSONAL ITEMS OF THE VICTIMS WERE TAKEN  
 AWAY BY THE SECTION COMMAND. TWO CIVILIANS SURVIVED HIDING IN THE  
 HIGH GRASS OF THE ISLAND. ALL ATTEMPTS BY THE NSA TO LOCATE  
 THEM FAILED.

2. THE NSA SECTION COMMAND WENT TO THE MAIN LAND AND REPORTED TO HIS  
 SUPERVISOR. THE SAME DAY HE AND SOME OF HIS SOLDIERS WERE  
 TRANSPORTED TO KIRUNA (GR 1189). THE POPULATION WAS IMPROVED  
 AND THE BODIES WERE IDENTIFIED AND BURIED NEAR A RIVER  
 (GR 12504).

#### CONCLUSION:

INVESTIGATION TEAM IS OF THE OPINION THAT FOUND THAT THE  
 SECTION COMMAND EXCEEDED HIS AUTHORITY AND THAT THE VICTIMS IN  
 COULD BECOME WITH A MOTIVE TO TAKE AWAY THEIR PERSONAL  
 BELONGINGS. THE VICTIMS COULD HAVE BEEN JUST ASKED TO RETURN  
 THEY WERE NOT ARMED AND DID NOT ATTACK THE NSA SOLDIERS.

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MILOB GP HQ

TO : FHQ (OPS)

Date : 6 Jan 95

FROM : MILOB GP HQ

Ref : 6464.0/OPS

SUBJECT : INVESTIGATION REPORT - SHOOTING INCIDENT AT BUSANZE  
DP'S CAMP ON 7TH JANUARY 1995

1. Attached please find mentioned report.
2. Submitted for your perusal and necessary action.
3. Please acknowledge receipt.

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INVESTIGATION REPORT

FROM: RM-2.

DATE: 07 JAN 95.

1. LOCATION/PLACE OF

- a. Incident: BUSANZE 4491.
- b. Report: BUSANZE.

2. DATE OF

- a. Incident: 07 Jan 95.
- b. Report: 07 Jan 95.

3. TYPE OF INCIDENT: Firing by RPA on DPs of Busanze DP camp.4. PERSONS INVOLVED

- a. Who is reporting: Milob team, Ghanbatt and DPs.
- b. Who caused the incident: By RPA.
- c. Witness: DPs of BUSANZE camp.
- d. Who are the victims:

(1) Killed: 12 (Male Adult-03, Female Adult-02, Teenager-02, Children below 03 yrs-05).

- (a) NBIRUWO NSANGA.
- (b) SHABANI.
- (c) BIZUMUREMYI.
- (d) MUSANGWA.
- (e) NKOMEJE.
- (f) NYERANEZA.
- (g) KANYUMBA.
- (h) NYIRAMINANI.
- (i) NYIRAMBEGETI.
- (j) MUKAMPAZIMPAKA.
- (k) NYIRANATEGEJO.
- (l) MUKAMUSONERA.

(2) Injured: 21 (Seriously injured-06, Minor injuries-15).

5. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT:

( Refer to the report attached )



6. PROBABLE CAUSE: Refer to RM-2 Sitrep of 30 Dec 94. It appears that as the DPs were not vacating the camp the RPA resorted to this drastic action.

7. COMMENTS: The case should be investigated as this will bear on the mind of the DPs as permanent impression.

DESCRIPTION OF THE INCIDENT.

1. At midnight around 0030 hrs on 07 Jan 95, some RPA soldiers entered the DP camp and started beating the DPs. Some of the soldiers were in civilian clothes, but all were armed and in possession of torchlights. When the DPs started running the soldiers opened fire with automatic weapon on them. The firing lasted for about 40 to 120 mins as per various witnesses ( 120 mins according to the Team RM-1 at RUNYOMBYI, 40 mins as per Platoon Commander of Ghanbatt and 90 mins according to the DPs).

2. Some refugees fled to the Ghana Platoon at Runyombyi post and informed them about the firing by RPA. The firing was heard by the Ghana Platoon and Milobs at RUNYOMBYI. The Milob team left for BUSANZE at 0700 hrs and at around 0330 hrs the Ghana Platoon Commander ordered his two APCs to be positioned at the dominating ground close to BUSANZE. However, due to the chaos and presence of heavily armed RPA soldiers they did not enter the camp till the departure of RPA soldiers at 0730 hrs.

3. The Milob team ( RM-1 ) saw one yellow SUZUKI and recognised one of the RPA officers who is based at GIKONGORO. The RPA soldiers did not talk to UNAMIR Milobs and Ghana Platoon and left the site in the car and on foot.

4. The DPs stated that the RPA soldiers had come from MASIGA and fled towards the same direction after the incident. They also stated that a grenade was lobbed in the camp ( the team verifies that, it was apparent from the badly severed body of one child ). While fleeing the soldiers took the food, bicycles and transistors. The DPs were forcibly tasked to lift those items upto REMERA and MASIGA camp.

5. Most of the huts were destroyed in the camp by the RPA soldiers.

6. The team met some RPA soldiers and they stated that while patrolling the BUSANZE camp some provocative fire was drawn on them from the camp. On being fired upon they retaliated.

Other Details.

7. The bodies had been put in the DTL pit by the RPA soldiers. 12 bodies had been extricated by the DPs, but they stated that some more bodies were inside the pit but completely submerged inside.

8. The injured were evacuated to Ghana Platoon and Merlin hospital by Ghana Platoon. At 1100 hrs, two helicopters arrived with AUSMED who began treating and evacuating the casualties. Six seriously injured were evacuated by helicopter. Other agencies involved in treatment were CARITAS, ICRC, MSF and Merlin. Representatives of UNHCR and Human Rights arrived at the scene at about 1230 hrs.

9. The weapons used were AK-47 and 9 mm calibre weapons as was evident from the recovered cases.

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Investigating officer