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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
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DATE: 7 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 061800 TO 071800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. A DOCUMENT DATED 30 NOV 95 WAS RECEIVED THROUGH A RELIABLE SOURCE TODAY AND IT WAS SIGNED BY THE "GENERAL DE BRIGADE" LEONIDAS RUSATIRA AND THE FORMER MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR, SETH SENDASHONGA. THE DOCUMENT IS CALLING FOR A MORE IMPARTIAL REVIEW OF THE RWANDESE PROBLEM. A COPY OF THE SIX PAGE FAX HAS BEEN HANDED OVER TO THE FC WHO WAS VISITING THIS HQ TODAY.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER WAS ALSO BRIEFED ON THE PROGRESS OF THE HR/MILOB INVESTIGATION IN THE TORTURE OF SIX PEOPLE RESULTING IN AT LEAST ONE MAN KILLED AND TWO MEN MISSING IN GITARAMA CITY ON 3 AND 4 DEC 95. THE PLOT IS THICKENING AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICERS ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING THE CASE.

(2) FRGE. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIESA. SECTOR HQ

(1) THIS HQ HAS HOSTED THE FC ON HIS FAREWELL VISIT. EVERYTHING WENT WELL WITH MANY NGOS WHICH ACCEPTED THE INVITATION.

(2) THE EXPLANATION TO THE GITARAMA PRISON DIRECTOR'S REFUSAL OF HAVING MSF VISITING THE PRISON BECAME SELF-EXPLANATORY WHEN THIS HQ HEARD TODAY THAT MSF WAS NOW CONSIDERED "PERSONA NON GRATA" IN RWANDA.

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B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYAMABUYE (7075) INCLUDING SECTORS MUSUMBA (7869), MBUYE (6365) AND RUKAZA (7765). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM ACCORDING TO THE BOURGMESTRE. CACHOT FIGURES 239 (160-15 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 184.

(2) IN MUSUMBA SECTOR, THE TEAM WAS ADVISED THAT THE LOCALS ARE LIVING IN FEAR BECAUSE OF ARBITRARY ARRESTS BY RPA. THE SECTOR WITNESSED 15 PEOPLE ARRESTED IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS.

(3) IN RUKAZA SECTOR, THE TEAM LEARNT THAT ON 5 DEC 95, AT ABOUT 0100 HRS, SEVEN BANDITS DRESSED IN RPA UNIFORMS, TIED ONE MAN AND HIS WIFE IN THEIR HOUSE AND ROBBED THEM OF 7 000 RWF.

(4) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE BULINGA (6677) INCLUDING SECTORS BURAMBA (6883), MUSENYI (6279), NYARUTOVE (6381) AND REMERA (6380). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM. HOWEVER, NINE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED FOR GENOCIDE SINCE 1 DEC 95.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 18 IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>NILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	34
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS. AS REQUESTED YESTERDAY, THE POLICY REGARDING "FUEL SUPPORT" TO THE PARQUET NEEDS CLARIFICATION. IT APPEARS THAT THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE IS NOT PROVIDING ANY FUEL TO THE PREFECTURE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR. IT IS CLAIMED THAT IN OTHER SECTORS, PUBLIC PROSECUTORS ARE ALLOWED TO DRAW SOME UNAMIR FUEL FOR THEM TO PERFORM THEIR FUNCTION. THIS WOULD BE A VERY GOOD WAY TO HELP THE JUSTICE SYSTEM AS LONG AS THE SYSTEM IS NOT ABUSED AND THAT THERE IS POSITIVE CONTROL OVER THE QUANTITY OF FUEL HANDED OUT. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED.

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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I GUESS WE HAVE REACHED THE LAST CURVE OF THE CURRENT MANDATE. SOME INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING PATROLS ON SATURDAY 9 DEC 95 ARE REQUIRED.



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LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 6 DEC 95

EXTENDED COVERAGE
REPORT 051800 TO 061800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
B. MILITARY

(1) RPA

(A) THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON RADIO RWANDA CONCERNING THE KILLING OF TWO RPA SOLDIERS IN GITARAMA CITY WAS RELATIVELY ACCURATE. A DRUNK SERGEANT BEAT A CORPORAL AND FINALLY SHOT HIM DEAD AROUND 022300 DEC 95 AS THE LATTER WAS ATTEMPTING TO FLEE. THE SERGEANT WAS THEN IN CLOSE CUSTODY AT HIS PLACE AND WAS KILLED AROUND 030200 DEC 95 AS HE ATTEMPTED TO FLEE.

(B) THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER WAS ALSO BRIEFED ON THE PROGRESS OF THE HR/MILOB INVESTIGATION IN THE TORTURE OF SIX PEOPLE RESULTING IN AT LEAST ONE MAN KILLED AND TWO MEN MISSING IN GITARAMA CITY ON 3 AND 4 DEC 95. THE STORY IS QUITE COMPLICATED AND INVOLVES ONE RPA MEMBER AND CIVILIANS RELATED TO RPA OFFICERS AS POTENTIAL CULPRITS. THEIR NAMES HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN TO THE RPA. THE RPA WILL COME BACK TO THIS HQ ONCE THEY HAVE CONCLUDED THEIR INVESTIGATION AND THEN "NOTES WILL BE COMPARED". THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER CONSIDERS THE INCIDENT AS VERY SERIOUS.

(2) FRGE. NTR.(3) OTHERS. NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR ATTEMPTED TO VISIT THE GITARAMA PRISON WITH MSF REPRESENTATIVES WHO HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEPLOYING EMERGENCY TEAMS SHOULD IT BE

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WARRANTED ANYWHERE IN RWANDA. OBVIOUSLY, THE GITARAMA PRISON HAD NO GOOD PLACE TO "RELEASE". THE PRISON DIRECTOR REFUSED TO AUTHORIZE THE VISIT AND IT WAS FELT THAT IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE OF POLITICAL REASONS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MURAMA (6749) INCLUDING SECTORS JOMA (6452), AND NKOMERO. THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM. THE TEAM HANDED 20 CARTONS OF ORAL REHYDRATION SALTS (ORS) TO CITWE HEALTH CENTRE.

(2) THE SAME TEAM DIRECTED MEMBERS OF 95 CMSG TO THE GATAGARA MISSION WHERE THEY CONDUCTED A RECCE FOR SHIFTING THE 1400 KG GENERATOR. THE OPERATION WILL TAKE PLACE ONCE A ROOF HAS BEEN REMOVED AND MILOBS WILL ADVISE WHEN THE WORK IS COMPLETE.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED TABA (8883) COMMUNE. THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM BY RPA AND LOCALS. HOWEVER, SOME PRISONERS SAID THAT THEY HAD BEEN "CONDEMNED" BY RPA AND THAT IT HAD INTIMATED THAT THE PRISONERS WOULD FIND THEMSELVES IN THEIR GRAVE ONCE UNAMIR HAS GONE. CACHOT FIGURES 236 (200 22 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 225. THREE PRISONERS WERE REPORTED TO BELONG TO MUSAMBIRA, MUGINA AND RUNDA COMMUNES.

(4) THE SAME TEAM WORKED UP WITH HQ OFFICERS TO VISIT RUNDA (9882) COMMUNE TO INVESTIGATE ALLEGATIONS OF TORTURE IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT. THE TEAM COULD NOT FIND ANY CONFIRMED CASE OF TORTURE. CACHOT FIGURES 328 (286-22 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 298. THE PRISONERS COMPLAINED THAT THEY WERE NOT ALLOWED TO SEE THEIR RELATIVES EVEN IF THEY BROUGHT THEM FOOD. SOME PRISONERS ACTUALLY REFUSE THE FOOD BROUGHT IN THE CACHOT BECAUSE THEY FEAR POISONING BY THE RPA.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. ONE TEAM TRANSPORTED A SERIOUSLY ILL PRISONER FROM KAVENGT (0300) TO KADCAVI HOSPITAL.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

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8. MILOB STATE:

POSTED	24
LEAVE/CTO	01
PRESENT	23

9. MISCELLANEOUS. THE POLICY REGARDING "FUEL SUPPORT" TO THE PARQUET IS REQUESTED. IT APPEARS THAT THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE IS NOT PROVIDING ANY FUEL TO THE PREFECTURE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR. IT IS CLAIMED THAT IN OTHER SECTORS, PUBLIC PROSECUTORS ARE ALLOWED TO DRAW SOME UNAMIR FUEL FOR THEM TO PERFORM THEIR FUNCTION. THIS WOULD BE A VERY GOOD WAY TO HELP THE JUSTICE SYSTEM AS LONG AS THE SYSTEM IS NOT ABUSED AND THAT THERE IS POSITIVE CONTROL OVER THE QUANTITY OF FUEL HANDED OUT. THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. TWO DAYS LEFT IN THE MANDATE. CAN'T WAIT TO DISCUSS THIS WITH THE FC TOMORROW ON HIS FAREWELL VISIT.



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 5 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 041800 TO 051800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
B. MILITARY

(1) RPA

(A) IT WAS LEARNT TODAY THAT AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF SOLDIERS FROM UGANDA ARRIVED IN GITARAMA APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS AGO. THIS WAS DISCOVERED IN THE INVESTIGATION IN THE DOWNTOWN TORTURE CASES (SEE PARA 9.) AS IT WAS APPARENTLY THESE NEW SOLDIERS IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING WHO TORTURED THE VICTIMS ON SUNDAY 3 DEC 95.

(B) THE RPA HAS BEEN ASKED TO PROVIDE THIS SECTOR WITH THEIR VERSION OF AN INTERNAL FIRE FIGHT THAT HAS CLAIMED THE LIFE OF TWO RPA NCOs ON SUNDAY 3 DEC 95.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR VISITED THE GITARAMA PRISON WITH VISITORS FROM NORMED WHO INSPECTED IN DETAIL THE PRISON MEDICAL FACILITIES. THEY WERE QUITE IMPRESSED WITH THE QUALITY OF THE WORK PERFORMED BY THE ONE DOCTOR AND SIX NURSES TO CARE FOR 6500 INMATES. CONDITIONS ARE NOW QUITE IMPROVED AND IT IS NO LONGER THE HELL IT USED TO BE. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT CONDITIONS ARE NOW WORSE IN AT LEAST HALF OF THE COMMUNE CACHOTS OF THIS SECTOR.

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B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE TAMBWE (7652) INCLUDING SECTORS MUNINI (7855), TAMBWE (7956), NTENYO (7956) AND GIKOMA (8153). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED TO BE CALM.

(2) THE TEAM LEARNED THAT EIGHT PEOPLE RETURNED TO THE COMMUNE LAST WEEK FROM TANZANIA (OLD CASE LOAD). CACHOT FIGURES 198 (189 - 27 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 178. THE IPJ REQUESTED FOR THE TRANSFER OF NINE PRISONERS BELONGING TO OTHER COMMUNES AND HR OFFICERS HAVE BEEN ADVISED ACCORDINGLY.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NYABIKENKE (7292) INCLUDING SECTORS NGOMA (7488), MUGUNGA (7098) AND MAHEMBE (7295). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED TO BE CALM. THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT 123 (124 - 27 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 103.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE RECCE BY 95 CMSC TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046) WILL HAPPEN TOMORROW MORNING.

B. AN EMERGENCY TEAM WAS SENT TO THE GITARAMA STADIUM TODAY TO TRANSPORT THE SEVEN PRISONERS WHO WERE REPORTED AS DYING OF HUNGER BY THE PREFET. THEY WERE SENT TO FIVE DIFFERENT COMMUNES AND THE INFORMATION CONCERNING THEIR STATE WAS TRUE.

C. INDSIGS SHOWED A LOT OF RESOURCEFULNESS IN PROVIDING A PICK-UP FOR THE TRANSPORT OF 2000 PINEAPPLE PLANTS FROM RUIANGO TO GITARAMA ON BEHALF OF A WIDOW ASSOCIATION.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

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8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
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9. MISCELLANEOUS. THE RELIABLE SOURCE THAT INFORMED US THAT THREE PEOPLE WERE TORTURED IN A GITARAMA CITY RESTAURANT YESTERDAY WAS FURTHER INTERVIEWED BUT THE MEETING HAD TO BE POSTPONED BECAUSE OF THE ARRIVAL OF RPA SOLDIERS ON THE SCENE. IT IS NOW BELIEVED THAT THREE PEOPLE WERE KILLED BY TORTURE AND A FOURTH ONE IS REPORTED MISSING. IT APPEARS THAT TWO OF THE THREE VICTIMS WERE NIGHT GUARDS IN SHOPS WHO DID NOT REACT PROPERLY TO THE THEFT ATTEMPT. THE THIRD VICTIM WOULD BE A FRIEND OF ONE OF THE NIGHT GUARD. THE MISSING PERSON IS ALSO A NIGHT WATCHMAN. THIS SECTOR IS ATTEMPTING TO FIND NAMES AND THE LOCATION OF BODIES. MORE TO FOLLOW (NIGHT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR TONIGHT).

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THE GITARAMA PRISON CONDITION IS IMPROVING BUT I AM A LITTLE CONCERNED THAT WE NOW ACTUALLY HAVE TWO GITARAMA PRISONS: THE OLD ONE AND THE NEW ONE. THERE IS NO COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE TWO AND THIS WAS NOT SUPPOSED TO BE THE CASE. I WILL FURTHER INVESTIGATE WITH THE PRISON AUTHORITIES.



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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 3 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 021800 TO 031800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. LAST FRIDAY WAS "LA ST-ANDRE" AND MGR ANDRE SIDOMANA MADE A SPECTAL "SPEECH" AT THE KABGAYI CHURCH. HE SAID THAT HIS LIFE WAS THREATENED AND THAT HE HAD HAD TO REFUSE TO FOLLOW SOLDIERS WHO HAD ASKED HIM TO FOLLOW THEM TO AN UNKNOWN LOCATION. LOCALS REPORTED THE FOLLOWING SPEECH FROM HIM:

"I CRITICIZED MEMBERS OF THE PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT NOW IN EXILE IN ZAIRE AND THEY WANTED TO KILL ME. NOW, I CRITICIZE THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT AND IT WANTS TO KILL ME TOO. CHRISTIANS MUST NOT FEAR BECAUSE CHRISTIANS DO NOT DIE" (FREE TRANSLATION).

B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA. NTR.
(2) FRFG. NTR.
(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYAMABUYE (7570) INCLUDING SECTORS MUSUMBA (7869), MBUYE (8365), GATENZI (7374) AND TAKWE (7575). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(2) IN MUSUMBA SECTOR, IT WAS LEARNT THAT THE COUNSELLOR AND 15 PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED TWO WEEKS AGO BY RPA FOR HAVING PARTICIPATED IN GENOCIDE. THE RPA HAD WARRANTS OF ARREST FROM THE IPJ.

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(3) IN THE SAME SECTOR, ON 29 NOV, AT ABOUT 2230 HRS, 15 BANDITS IN CIV CLOTHES AND ARMED WITH FAKE RIFLES ROBBED THE LOCALS OF THREE BICYCLES, TWO RADIOS AND TWO TYPING MACHINES. THIS LOOTING WAS CARRIED OUT IN TWO HOUSES ONLY.

(4) IN MBUYE SECTOR, THE TEAM WAS ADVISED THAT THE RPA IS MAINTAINING ONE TEMPORARY DETENTION CELL. THREE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED, TWO FOR GENOCIDE AND ONE FOR CATTLE THEFT THIS WEEK (DATE UNCONFIRMED).

(5) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597) AND VISITED SECTORS KIRWA (6388), KAGOGWE (6490), GASOVU (6698) AND KIBIMBA (6494). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(6) THREE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED ON GENOCIDE CHARGES ON 1 DEC 95 IN KIRWA SECTOR. ANOTHER FIVE WERE ARRESTED ON 30 NOV BY THE BOURGMESTRE IN KAGOGWE. IN THE SAME SECTOR, A REFUGEE IN ZAIRE RETURN ON 18 NOV 95.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE RECCE OF THE WORK TO BE DONE AT THE GITARAMA PRISON BY INDBATT ENGINEERS HAS BEEN DELAYED TO MONDAY 4 DEC 95 AT 1000 HRS.

B. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST THREE SITREPS, 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046). A RECCEE THROUGH THIS HQ WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.7. LOGISTICS.

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8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
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9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I WISH TO REPEAT THE ASSESSMENT I MADE YESTERDAY CONCERNING THE NEED FOR INFO ON THE CONFRONTATION THAT SEEMS TO BE DEVELOPING BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE-PRESIDENT OVER UNAMIR MANDATE'S RENEWAL.



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COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 2 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 011800 TO 021800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
 - (1) RPA. SEE PARA 3.B.(2).
 - (2) FRFG. NTR.
 - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR LIAISED WITH FATHER VJEKO, THE KABGAYI ACCOUNTANT AND HE DISCUSSED THE OVERALL SITUATION OF OFFICIALS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH WHO FEEL A LOT OF PRESSURE FROM THE DMI. INDIVIDUAL CASES WERE DISCUSSED AND MILOB TEAMS WILL INVESTIGATE AND FURTHER REPORT.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MASANGO (6254) INCLUDING SECTORS RUKINA (63590), KIRWA (6159), GITINDA (5959) AND NYAKOGO (6256). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM, ALTHOUGH DISPUTES ABOUT CATTLE OWNING BETWEEN TUTSI AND HUTU ARE FREQUENT. CACHOT FIGURES: 239 (NO CHANGE FROM 20 NOV 95).

(2) IN RUKINA SECTOR, IT WAS LEARNT THAT LAST WEEK RPA SOLDIERS ROBBED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF LOCALS OF UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF RADIOS AND SEWING MACHINES. THESE SOLDIERS WERE ACTUALLY PART OF A REGULAR PATROL AND THE CASE WILL BE FOLLOWED WITH RPA AUTHORITIES. LOCALS ARE REPORTED TO BE LIVING IN A STATE OF FEAR IN THIS SECTOR.

(3) IN NYAKOGO SECTOR, THE TEAM WAS ADVISED THAT THREE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED, TWO FOR GENOCIDE AND ONE FOR

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CATTLE THEFT THIS WEEK (DATE UNCONFIRMED). IT WAS ALSO HEARD THAT LOCALS NEED HELP TO RECONSTRUCT THEIR HOUSES.

(4) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED RUTOBWE (7781) INCLUDING SECTORS CYEZA (7777), GATOVU (7479), RUTONGA (7585) AND GIKO (7885). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM LEARNT THAT CYEZA ORPHANAGE WAS MOVING TO GITARAMA TOWN ON THE MUSHUDATI ROAD IN AN ABANDONED HOTEL (BEFORE THE END OF DECEMBER 1995). CATTLE RUSTLING ALONG THE BOUNDARY WITH KAYENZI COMMUNE WAS REPORTED.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE RECCE OF THE WORK TO BE DONE AT THE GITARAMA PRISON BY INDBATT ENGINEERS HAS BEEN DELAYED TO MONDAY 4 DEC 95 AT 1000 HRS.

B. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF CATAGARA (7046). A RECCEE THROUGH THIS HQ WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

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9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I KNOW THAT EVERYBODY IS IN THE DARK ABOUT THE MANDATE BUT IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF SOME INFORMATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE ON THE CONFRONTATION THAT SEEMS TO BE DEVELOPING BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE-PRESIDENT OVER UNAMIR MANDATE'S RENEWAL.


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 COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 10 HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
INFO: CO INDBATT
SECTOR 5C

DATE: 1 DEC 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 301800 NOV TO 011800 DEC 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA.

(A) THE RPA BDE MEMBERS JOINED HANDS WITH THE LOCALS AT THE STADIUM CELEBRATING THE AIDS DAY CAMPAIGN. THE CROWD WAS ESTIMATED AT 8 000 PEOPLE.

(B) AN RPA COMPANY COMMANDER AND A SERGEANT PARTICIPATED IN THE HELIPATROL AND WERE VERY COOPERATIVE.

(2) FREG. NTR.(3) OTHERS. NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR ATTENDED THE AIDS CAMPAIGN AND WENT ON A HELIPATROL.

B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE BULINGA (6679) INCLUDING SECTORS RUGENDABALI (6685), GASAVE (6582), BULINGA (6679),

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MUSENYI (6679), REMERA (6380) AND NYARUTOVU (6381). THE SITUATION IS REPORTED AS CALM, EXCEPT FOR COW LIFTING ON 25 NOV 95. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT THE THIEVES MAY BE FROM MUSHUBATI COMMUNE.

(2) AS THE BOURGMESTRE AND HIS ASSISTANT JOINED THE AIDS FUNCTION AT GITARAMA STADIUM, THE TEAM LEARNT FROM THE SECRETARY THAT 2 RETURNEES ARRIVED ON 28 NOV FROM TANZANIA. CACHOT FIGURES 80 (72/17 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 71.

(3) IN GASAVE SECTOR, THE COUNSELLOR REQUESTS SUPPORT FOR REPAIRING THE WATER LINES.

(4) IN NYARUTOVU SECTOR, THE BRIDGE (630 806) IS BROKEN AND DIFFICULT TO BE CROSSED.

(5) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NTONGWE (9057) AND MURAMA (6749) BY HELICOPTER. IN NTONGWE COMMUNE, THE BOURGMESTRE (FORMER MUGINA BOURGMESTRE WHO WAS RELIEVED OF HIS DUTIES BECAUSE HE HAD BEEN INVOLVED IN A MURDER AFFAIR) GAVE A POSITIVE PICTURE OF HIS COMMUNE EVEN THOUGH HE HAS 469 PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT. HE EXPLAINS THE RECENT WAVE OF ARRESTS BECAUSE OF A CHAIN REACTION OF ACCUSATIONS. HE REFUSED SOME OF THE STATISTICS THAT WERE ACTUALLY GIVEN BY THE IPI. THE TEAM DID NOT GET A POSITIVE FEELING THAT THIS BOURGMESTRE TELLS THE TRUTH, ALL THE TRUTH, NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH.

(6) IN MURAMA, NEITHER THE BOURGMESTRE NOR THE RPA WERE AVAILABLE. AN RPA NCO ESCORTED US TO THE COMMUNE CACHOT WHICH CONTAINS 340 PEOPLE IN ONE ROOM. THESE DETENTION CONDITIONS ARE THE PROOF THAT THE HUMAN BODY IS A VERY RESILIENT MACHINE. A THIRTEEN YEAR OLD BOY WAS SPOTTED IN THIS INFERNO AND THE CASE WILL BE HANDED OVER TO HR OFFICERS. THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES WERE INFORMED THAT NO PRISONERS WILL TRANSFERRED TO THE GITARAMA PRISON (THEY HAD ASKED TO MOVE 150 OF THEM).

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE RECCE OF THE WORK TO BE DONE AT THE GITARAMA PRISON BY INDBATT ENGINEERS HAS BEEN DELAYED TO MONDAY 4 DEC 95 AT 1000 HRS.

B. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED

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TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046). A RECCEE THROUGH THIS HQ WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1301 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	04
	PRESENT	20

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED TO RECCE THE SITE WHERE THE MASANGO D6 CATERPILLAR IS (534 568). OUR INITIAL RECCE IS THAT THE RECOVERY DOES NOT PRESENT PARTICULAR DIFFICULTIES. ITS MOVEMENT TO KIBUYE, HOWEVER, COULD BE A REAL CHALLENGE. THE LETTER SIGNED BY COMMANDER SECTOR 5C (DATED 1 DEC 95) INCLUDED THE REQUEST MADE BY THE KIBUYE PREFET WHO NEEDS THIS CATERPILLAR IN KIBUYE. HIS REQUEST SEEMS TO IMPLY THAT UNAMIR WILL ALSO FIX THE CATERPILLAR.

B. A REPLY IS REQUESTED ON THIS SECTOR'S REQUEST DATED 23 NOV 95 (IN DISCUSSION WITH DCMO) TO HAVE AN ARMED SECTION AT THE PETIT SEMINAIRE FOR THE TURBULENT DAYS OF A POSSIBLE WITHDRAWAL.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THE COMMUNE CACHOT OVERCROWDING IS BECOMING A PROBLEM OF EVEN LARGER MAGNITUDE THAN THE GITARAMA PRISON. I VISITED TODAY TWO OF THESE CACHOTS WHICH TOGETHER HOLD ALMOST 800 PRISONERS. THEY DO NOT HAVE THE VISIBILITY OF THE GITARAMA PRISON AND THEREFORE RECEIVE MUCH LESS SUPPORT FROM NGOs. THERE ARE FOUR OR FIVE OF THESE TIME BOMBS IN SECTOR 1B, NAMELY NTONGWE, MURAMA, RUNDA,

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MASANGO AND MUGINA. THE CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES KEEP ON ARRESTING PEOPLE DURING WEEKDAYS AND THE RPA "TAKES THE SLACK" DURING WEEK-ENDS. AT OUR LEVEL, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO EXPLAIN TO THEM THAT THE ARRESTS HAVE TO BE DELAYED SO THAT THE DETENTION SYSTEM CAN ORGANIZE ITSELF OR SO THAT THE JUSTICE SYSTEM CAN START ITS WORK. THIS IS TO NO AVAIL. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF A PARALLEL NEGOTIATION WOULD HAPPEN AT YOUR LEVEL.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR HQ HQ

DATE: 30 NOV 98

TO: MILOBS GP HQ

INFO: CO INDRAPU

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 281800 NOV TO 291800 NOV 98

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA.

(A) THE RPA BDE CDR HAS DELAYED THE HELIPATROL THAT WAS PLANNED FOR TOMORROW TO VISIT THE ILLICIT DETENTION FACILITY IN NYAKABANDA (6597) AND TO KAYENZI (8389) WHICH IS A COMMUNE WHERE NUMEROUS PROBLEMS ARE DEVELOPING, NAMELY WITH RPA INDISCIPLINE.

(B) SEE PARA 3.B.(4)

(2) FRFG. NTR.(3) OTHERS. NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
- B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUSHUBATI (6970) INCLUDING SECTORS MATA (7175), MUHANGA (6775), KAGARAMA (7178) AND GIKOMERO (6572). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM.

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(2) THE TEAM LEARNT THAT 18 "MILD OFFENDERS" (SEE OUR PREVIOUS SITREPS) FROM KIGALI WERE BEING HELD IN THE COMMUNE CACHOTS FOR SCREENING AGAINST GENOCIDE SUSPICIONS. CACHOT FIGURES 109 (77/6 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 63. IT WAS LEARNT THAT THERE ARE SOME LAND AND HOUSES DISPUTES BUT MOSTLY AMONG RELATIVES. ALL AREAS VISITED ARE COMPLAINING OF THE USUAL SHORTAGES OF SEEDS, FOOD AND FARMING IMPLEMENTS.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED RUNDA (9882) AND TABA (8883) COMMUNES, INCLUDING SECTORS KAMONYI (8979), BUGABA (9088), MUSENYI (9191) AND GIHIRA (9686). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(4) IN GIHIRA SECTOR, THE TEAM MET PADRE EMMANUEL WHO FEARS FOR HIS LIFE. HE WAS NEVER AS OUTSPOKEN AS FATHER RAMON BUT THE MILOB TEAM FELT HIS CONCERN GENUINE. IT IS FELT THAT HE HAS LITTLE TO FEAR FROM THE LOCAL RPA WHO IS COOPERATING RELATIVELY WELL WITH AN 11 MEN GUARD IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE WHERE THE SISTERS WERE BEATEN TWO WEEKS AGO. THE PROBLEM IS WITH THE DMI ELEMENTS COMING FROM KIGALI. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR MILOBS TO INFLUENCE THESE PEOPLE, NOR IS IT POSSIBLE FOR THE LOCAL RPA TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT. THE PROBLEM IS SERIOUS BECAUSE ON 24 AND 26 NOV 95, UNKNOWN CIVILIANS WENT TO HIS HOUSE AND TRIED TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON WHERE HE SPENDS HIS NIGHTS. THESE PROBLEMS ARE IN THE WAKE OF THE RADIO RWANDA PROGRAM WHICH ACCUSED ALL SPANISH PRIESTS OF HAVING BEEN INVOLVED IN THE GENOCIDE. YOUR HQ IS REQUESTED TO TAKE ON THE MATTER AT HIGHER LEVEL.

(5) IN RUNDA CACHOT, IT WAS LEARNT THAT TWO PRISONERS WENT MISSING DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AS REPORTED BY THE FAMILIES. HR OFFICERS ARE INVESTIGATING.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE RECCE OF THE WORK TO BE DONE AT THE GITARAMA PRISON IS PLANNED FOR SATURDAY 2 DEC 95. SOME DOZER/DIGGING EQUIPMENT WILL BE DRAMATICALLY REQUIRED BEHIND THE PRISON BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTIES WITH GARBAGE HOLES AND SCEPTIC TANKS. THE ICRC ASKS UNAMIR BECAUSE THEY EXPECT THAT THEIR REQUEST FOR THESE SERVICES TO GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES COULD TAKE UP TO TWO YEARS.

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6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NTR.

7. LOGISTICS.

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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THIS INVOLVEMENT OF DMI OFFICERS IN PUTTING PRESSURE ON THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IS COMPATIBLE TO THE PROBLEMS KNOWN BY MGR SIBOMANA. THIS MATTER SHOULD BE PURSUED BY AUTHORITIES AT A HIGHER LEVEL.


R. V. BLANCHETTE

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
INFO: CO INDBATT

DATE: 30 NOV 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 281800 NOV TO 291800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

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R.W. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 29 NOV 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
95 CMSG
INDSIGS COY

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 281800 NOV TO 291800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

A. GENERAL. CALM. HOWEVER, OUR STATISTICS ARE INDICATING THAT 543 ARRESTS, A VERY LARGE NUMBER OF THEM DONE WITHOUT AN IPJ'S APPROVAL, HAVE HAPPENED DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER IN THE SECTOR. THIS IS A RECORD.

B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. NTR.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE SECT CDR MET WITH THE RPA BDE CDR TODAY AND LEARNED THE FOLLOWING:

(A) THE FIRST PART OF THE MEETING DEALT WITH REFUGEE ISSUES AS THE SECT CDR INTRODUCED THE GITARAMA UNHCR REP. THE BDE CDR SAID THAT HE HAD REQUESTED GUIDANCE FROM HIS AUTHORITIES ON THE SCREENING PROCESS OF REFUGEES. HE AGREED TO HAVE A "TEMPORARY HOLDING AREA" AT THE PREFECTURE LEVEL WHICH WOULD BE LOCATED AT THE OLD GITARAMA STADIUM. IT WAS AGREED THAT A RECCE OF THIS AREA WOULD BE DONE BETWEEN THE RPA, MILOBS AND THE UNHCR REP FOR SECURITY CONCERNS.

(B) HE SAID THAT HE WOULD INVESTIGATE THE BRICK THROWING INCIDENT AT THE URUGUAYAN HOUSE YESTERDAY.

(C) HE SAID THAT THE "MILD OFFENDERS" PROBLEM (SEE SECT

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CDR'S ASSESSMENT ON 27 NOV 95) HAD BEEN CREATED FOLLOWING AN INITIATIVE OF THE KIGALI PREFET. HE SAID THAT THE CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION IN RUHANGO HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE LATTER AND WAS A BATTALION CDR'S INITIATIVE AIMED AT SEIZING ARMED MEN. THE SEARCH, HOWEVER, ONLY YIELDED SOME THIRTY PEOPLE WHO DID NOT HAVE ANY ID. THESE PEOPLE WERE HANDED OVER TO CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES.

(D) WHEN CONFRONTED WITH THE STATISTIC THAT 543 PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED IN THE LAST 30 DAYS IN THE PREFECTURE, HE SAID THAT IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO COMPLETELY DISSOCIATE THE WAVE OF ARRESTS FROM THE PERCEPTION OF "SPACE AVAILABILITY" IN THE GITARAMA PRISON. HE REAFFIRMED, HOWEVER, THAT NO PRISONERS WERE TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE COMMUNE CACHOTS TO THE GITARAMA PRISON AND THAT THIS WAS PASSED TO ALL BOURGMESTRES AT LAST SECURITY MEETING (A FEW DAYS BACK). THIS HQ WILL MAKE SURE THE POLICY IS WELL PUBLICIZED.

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(E) ON THE SECURITY OF MGR SIBOMANA, HE SAID THAT IT NOW HAD BEEN PROVEN THAT THE PRESSURE IS COMING FROM THE DMI (SEE CONFIDENTIAL REPORT) WITH THE MULTI-ADDRESSEES LETTER SENT BY REPORTERS WITHOUT BORDERS. HE CONSIDERS THAT HIS HANDS ARE TIED BECAUSE THE DMI TAKES ITS ORDERS DIRECTLY FROM THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE AND IT WOULD CIRCUMVENT HIM ANYWAY IF A MISSION OF ANY NATURE WAS PLANNED OR LAUNCHED. HE SUSPECTS THAT THE TWO CIVILIAN DRESS MEN STAKING OUT MGR SIBOMANA IN KABGAYI FROM KIGALI. HE SUGGESTED THAT UNAMIR HQ SHOULD LIAISE WITH GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES TO RELIEVE THE PRESSURE EXERTED ON MGR SIBOMANA. HE THINKS NO ELEMENTS OF 305 BDE OR MILOBS IN GITARAMA CAN DO ANYTHING TO IMPROVE SIBOMANA'S SECURITY. THE BALL IS CLEARLY IN A "HIGHER" COURT. A HR SOURCE SAID THAT MGR SIBOMANA WILL HOLD A MEETING WITH ALL THE DIOCESE PLAYERS ON SUNDAY 3 DEC 95. MGR SIBOMANA WILL THEN LEAVE THE COUNTRY FOR AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION ON MONDAY 4 DEC 95. HE WILL RETURN ON 16 OR 17 DEC 95.

(F) THE BDE CDR AGREED TO INVESTIGATE WHETHER MINE AWARENESS BRIEFINGS COULD BE GIVEN TO CIVILIANS. HE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER A POLICY EXISTED ON THE MATTER.

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(G) ON THE SECRET DETENTION FACILITY IN NYAKABANDA, HE SAID THAT NEITHER HE NOR MAJOR KAZUNGU (RPA BATTALION CDR) KNEW OF THIS PRISON. HE WAS GIVEN THE NAME OF THE SERGEANT WHO RECOGNIZED THAT THERE WAS A PRISON ON 25 NOV 95. HE ACCEPTED THE OFFER OF GOING TO THE SITE WITH MAJ KAZUNGU ON A HELIPATROL.

(H) WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF A COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL FROM GITARAMA, THE BDE CDR UNDERSTOOD THE HEIGHTENED RISK OF THEFT AND EVEN ARMED BANDITRY AT THE PETIT SEMINAIRE OR AT MILOBS HOUSES. HE SAID THAT MORE FREQUENT RPA PATROLS WOULD BE CONDUCTED.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. SEE PARA 2.(B)(1).

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE KIGOMA (7649) INCLUDING SECTORS REMERA (6452), MPANGA (6947) GATAGARA (7046) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THREE REFUGEES FROM ZAIRE ARRIVED IN THE COMMUNE ON 14 NOV 95 AND WERE ARRESTED BY THE RPA. CACHOT FIGURES 108 (80/1 NOV 95) 91 GENOCIDE.

(2) IN MPANGA SECTOR, A MAN WAS ROBBED OF 164 000 RWF ON 5 NOV 95 BY NINE BANDITS OF WHICH TWO WERE UNIFORMED AND ARMED. THE SAME GANG ROBBED ANOTHER BUSINESS MAN OF 75 000 RWF ON THE SAME NIGHT. ONE CIVILIAN HAS BEEN APPREHENDED.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED KAYENZI (8389) COMMUNE, INCLUDING SECTORS KIRWA (8591), BUNYONGA (8184), NERANGA(8091) AND NYAMIREMBE (8187). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS TENSE DUE TO ARBITRARY ARRESTS. CACHOT FIGURES 233 (194/23 NOV 94). THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE 39 ARRESTS IN SIX DAYS TOOK PLACE DURING LAST WEEK-END WHEN THE IPJ IS NOT AVAILABLE. THE IPJ HAS REQUESTED TO MEET THE SECT CDR IN SECRET BECAUSE HE FEARS FOR HIS LIFE. ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO HAVE THE MEETING IN THE

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PRESENCE OF A HR OFFICER. ALSO, KAYENZI WILL BE ON THE VISIT LIST FOR THE HELIPATROL ON FRIDAY 1 DEC 95.

(4) IN THE CONTINUATION OF ARRESTS OF CATHOLICS, CARITAS REPRESENTATIVE IN BITARE SECTOR WAS ARRESTED ON 15 NOV 95 ON GENOCIDE CHARGES.

(5) THE THIRD TEAM WAS ASSIGNED TO A HUMANITARIAN TASK AND VISITED NYANZA AND HANIKA ORPHANAGES. AS OPPOSED TO WHAT WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED BY CIVPOL, SITUATION WAS DEEMED ACCEPTABLE.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE HEAD OF THE ICRC VISITED THIS HQ TODAY AND DEPICTED A VERY GRIM PICTURE OF THE HEALTH SITUATION DEVELOPING AT THE GITARAMA PRISON. SOME DOZER/DIGGING EQUIPMENT IS DRAMATICALLY REQUIRED BEHIND THE PRISON BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTIES WITH GARBAGE HOLES AND SCEPTIC TANKS. THE ICRC ASKS UNAMIR BECAUSE THEY EXPECT THAT THEIR REQUEST FOR THESE SERVICES TO GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES COULD TAKE UP TO TWO YEARS. GIVEN THAT MEDICAL OFFICERS HAVE NOW DIRECTLY LINKED A SURGE OF DISEASES TO THIS EXCAVATION PROBLEM, THIS URGENT SITUATION SHOULD BE TREATED ON A PRIORITY BASIS BY UNAMIR. INDBATT ENGR SHOULD LIAISE WITH THIS HQ ASAP.

B. 95 CMSG IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A CRANE (THE ONE ON THEIR WRECKER COULD SUFFICE) FOR THE MOVEMENT OF A 1400 KG GENERATOR WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMPOUND OF GATAGARA (7046). A RECCEE THROUGH THIS HQ WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

C. SEE PARA 3.B.(5).

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6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. THE UNHCR REP IN GITARAMA HAS REPORTED THAT THE VISIT OF NTONGWE COMMUNE (9057) BY 12 REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI WENT SURPRISINGLY WELL YESTERDAY. MILOBS PRESENT OBSERVED, HOWEVER, THAT THEIR DESIRE OF RETURNING COULD HAVE BEEN MORE LINKED TO THE TOUGH SITUATION THEY ARE FACING IN BURUNDI THAN TO THE "WELCOMING ATMOSPHERE" THEY MIGHT HAVE FELT IN NTONGWE, ONE OF THE WORST COMMUNES IN

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GITARAMA FROM A SECURITY POINT OF VIEW.

7. LOGISTICS.

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9. MISCELLANEOUS

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B. THE INCIDENT AT THE URUGUAYAN HOUSE YESTERDAY WILL BE FURTHER INVESTIGATED BY THE RPA BDE CDR. IN SHORT, THREE BRICKS WERE THROWN AT THE HOUSE WITH ENOUGH FORCE TO KILL A MAN. A CHASE ENSUED AND ONE OF THE MILOBS PHYSICALLY GRABBED A HOLD OF ONE OF THE CULPRITS (UNARMED RPA SOLDIER). THE MILOB COULD NOT INDEFINITELY KEEP THE SOLDIER IN HIS CUSTODY SINCE IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO CONTACT ANY RPA AUTHORITY. THE RPA BDE CDR HAS BEEN SEIZED WITH THE PROBLEM OF "PERMANENCE" AT THE RPA GARRISON.

SGS | C. THE "RURAL SHOOT" TELEPHONE SYSTEM IS NOT WORKING AND WE HAVE TRIED TO GET HELP FROM INDSIGS IN VAIN FOR TWO DAYS. IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO GET CONNECTIONS AND THE LINES ARE SO BAD THAT ONE HAS TO YELL TO BE UNDERSTOOD WITH UNBEARABLE BACKGROUND NOISE. ON TOP OF THIS, FAX COMMS ARE CONSTANTLY INTERRUPTED.

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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. IN MY DISCUSSION WITH THE RPA BDE CDR TODAY, I REALIZED TO WHAT EXTENT THE RPA MILITARY CHAIN OF COMMAND WAS WEAK, REGARDLESS OF THE PARTICULAR

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SITUATION THAT COL NDEGEYINKA IS FACING AS AN FRGF. HE HAS TWO OFFICERS UNDER HIS COMMAND WHO ARE EXCEPTIONS TO THE "UNITY OF COMMAND" PRINCIPLE WHICH IS THE BASIS OF ALL SUCCESSFUL MILITARY STRUCTURE. FIRSTLY, "HIS" POLITICAL COMMISSAR WHO ANSWERS TO KIGALI AUTHORITIES (NOT SPECIFIED IN THE CONVERSATION) AND, SECONDLY, HIS BDE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER WHO ALSO HAS A HAT OF "DMI OFFICER". IN THIS CAPACITY, THE LATTER DIRECTLY RECEIVES ORDERS FROM THE DMI FOR EXECUTION. DURING THE PATROL TO KAYENZI TODAY, IT WAS ACTUALLY FOUND OUT THAT THERE WAS A SERGEANT (A PARTICULARLY MEAN ONE), AT THE PLATOON LEVEL, WHO WAS A DMI OFFICER. COL NDEGEYINKA SAID THAT HE WAS TRYING TO CONVINCE HIS AUTHORITIES TO AT LEAST HAVE THESE ORDERS REACHING THESE OFFICERS THROUGH HIM. HE GAVE ME THE IMPRESSION THAT HE WAS NOT THE ONLY RPA BDE CDR WITH THIS PROBLEM AND THAT OTHERS HAD ALSO PROTESTED THIS SITUATION.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ

DATE: 28 NOV 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALIINFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 267800 NOV TO 281800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE RPA CONDUCTED A CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION IN RUNDA COMMUNE (9882) IN AN AREA WHERE A LOT OF NGOS, MOSTLY RELIGIOUS ONES, ARE OPERATING. IT IS SUSPECTED THAT ANOTHER CATHOLIC BROTHER OR FATHER WOULD BE WANTED BY THE RPA. ANOTHER BROTHER, DIRECTOR OF A SCHOOL AT KABGAYI, WOULD HAVE RECENTLY FLED TO ITALY WHEN HE HEARD THAT THERE WERE SIMILAR THREATS TO HIS SECURITY. MORE TO FOLLOW.

(2) FREG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR VISITED MILOB GP HQ TODAY TO DELIVER THE SECTOR FINAL REPORT AND TO LIAISE WITH SOME OF THE STAFF OFFICERS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MURAMA (6749) INCLUDING

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SECTORS JOMA (6452) AND NYARIYENGA (6544). COMMUNE MASANGO (6254) WAS ALSO VISITED INCLUDING RWESORO SECTOR (5454). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED CALM BY BOTH BOURGMESTRES AND LOCALS IN ALL AREAS VISITED. LACK OF SEEDS AND FARM IMPLEMENTS WERE THE ONLY COMPLAINTS HEARD. MURAMA CACHOT FIGURES 340 (201/8 NOV) GENOCIDE 262.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNES MUSAMBIRA (8274) AND MUGINA (9267) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS A CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION THAT WAS REPORTED IN THE NEIGHBOUR COMMUNE RUNDA. MUSAMBIRA CACHOT FIGURES 210 (201-8 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 150. IT IS OF INTEREST (SEE YESTERDAY'S SECT CDR'S ASSESSMENT) THAT ONLY THREE OF THE 14 "MILD OFFENDERS" HAVE BEEN RELEASED FROM THE COMMUNE CACHOT. THE IPJ PROMISED THAT THE REMAINDERS WOULD BE FREED IN THE NEXT TWO DAYS.

(3) THE THIRD TEAM WAS ASSIGNED TO PROVIDE TRANSPORT TO GITARAMA SOUS-PREFETS TO NTONGWE COMMUNE (9057). THE SOUS-PREFETS WERE MEETING THE TWELVE REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI. THIS MOVE WAS COORDINATED BY THE UNHCR REP AT THIS HQ. FEEDBACK ABOUT THE "IN CAMERA" DISCUSSIONS THAT TOOK PLACE WILL BE OBTAINED FROM THE UNHCR REP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

(1) AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1233 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

(2) THE BOURGMESTRE OF MURAMA HAS REQUESTED TODAY THE TRANSPORTATION OF 150 DETAINEES FROM HIS COMMUNE CACHOT WHICH CURRENTLY HOLDS 340 DETAINEES. IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER HE HAS ALREADY RECEIVED THE AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER THESE DETAINEES TO THE GITARAMA PRISON. THIS COULD BE BAD NEWS IF MORE PRISONERS ARE BROUGHT INTO THE GITARAMA PRISON BEFORE THE TRANSFEREES ARE SENT TO THE NEW KIGALI FACILITIES. THE IDEA OF THE ENLARGED GITARAMA PRISON REACHING AGAIN THE SAME KIND OF PRISONER DENSITY IT ONCE HAD IS A NIGHTMARISH IDEA. THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED TOMORROW.

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6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. THE TEAM THAT VISITED MASANGO WAS ADVISED BY THE BOURGMESTRE THAT THE CATERPILLAR (D6) WHICH THE DFC WAS INQUIRING ABOUT BELONGS TO THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND IS HALF-SUBMERGED IN A POND. THE VEHICLE IS IN RWESORO SECTOR (5454). THE BOURGMESTRE DID NOT KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS CATERPILLAR. THE HYDRAULICS LOOK GOOD BUT THE ENGINE SEEMS IN VERY BAD SHAPE. BEFORE PLANNING A RECOVERY OPERATION THROUGH 95 CMSG, YOUR HQ IS REQUESTED TO APPROACH THE DFC TO ASK HIM WHAT IS THE END STATE THAT IS SOUGHT.

B. A MILOB HOUSE WITH THREE MILOBS IN IT (TWO URUGUAYANS AND AN AUSTRIAN) HAD STONES THROWN ON ITS ROOF AT 1840 HRS TODAY. CHILDREN WITNESSES SAY THAT RPA SOLDIERS DID IT. ONE MILOB HAS GONE OUTSIDE THE HOUSE TO INVESTIGATE. AN EMERGENCY MILOB TEAM HAS BEEN SENT OVER. THIS IS THE SAME HOUSE WHERE AN RPA SOLDIER HAD ATTEMPTED TO STEAL A UNIFORM. THE ROCK THROWING HAS STARTED AGAIN AT 1910 HRS. MORE TO FOLLOW.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. HR OFFICERS ARE REPORTING MORE AND MORE DIFFICULTIES IN DOING THEIR WORK AT THE GITARAMA PRISON. IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT THE LEVEL OF TENSION HAS HEIGHTENED IN THE PRISON AND I DO NOT EXPECT THINGS TO IMPROVE AS LONG AS THERE WILL BE A TEMPTATION FOR THE RPA TO "FILL UP" THE PRISON TO THE RIM.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 27 NOV 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 261800 NOV TO 271800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR
- B. MILITARY
- (1) RPA. NTR.
- (2) FREG. NTR.
- (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THIS HQ HAS BEEN BUSY COMPILING LAST INFORMATION FOR THE FINAL REPORT WHICH WAS DUE BY 1400 HRS TODAY. IT WILL BE SENT TO YOUR HQ DURING THE EVENING BY FAX AND A HARD COPY WILL BE SENT TOMORROW.

B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE TAMBWE (7653) INCLUDING SECTORS NYAMAGANA (7453), GITISI (7253), BUHORO (7558) AND TENYO (7454). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE BOURGEMESTRE ADVISED THE TEAM THAT SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE NOT ABLE TO MEET THE 20 000 FRW WHICH IS DEMANDED BY GOVERNMENT FOR SCHOOL FEES.

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(2) THE TEAM LEARNT THAT A CORDON AND SEARCH WAS CARRIED OUT IN TAMBWE CENTRE ON 21 NOV 95 AND NETTED 26 PEOPLE WHO WERE LATTER SENT TO THEIR COMMUNES, NAMELY MUSHUBATI (6970) AND NYAMABUYE (7570). CACHOT FIGURES 189 (170/25-NOV 95) GENOCIDE 186.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NYABIKENKE COMMUNE (7292) INCLUDING SECTORS KABUYE (6886), WUKARAGATA (7081), KYUMBA (7093) AND NGOMA (7488). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. ALTHOUGH THE SITUATION IS CALM, ARBITRARY ARRESTS CONTINUE AS REVEALED BY THE IPJ. CACHOT FIGURES 124 (104/15 NOV-95) GENOCIDE 102.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES A TRUCK FROM INDEBATT TRANSPORTED SCHOOL FURNITURE FROM GITARAMA TO MUSHUBATI (6970) COMMUNE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1299 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS. THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE MILOB HQ DUTY OFFICER (CAPT DUNNE) TODAY CONCERNING A CATERPILLAR IN MASANGO COMMUNE WHICH NEEDED TO BE RECOVERED NEEDS MORE DETAILS. IT WAS THE DFC WHO REQUESTED THIS TASK AND HE SHOULD BE ASKED FOR MORE DETAILS SINCE THIS HQ IS NOT AWARE OF THIS CATERPILLAR SITUATION.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THE NEW TECHNIQUE FAVOURED BY THE RPA TO SCREEN THE POPULATION (PARA 3.B.(2)) IS A DIFFERENT KIND OF CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION. THE RPA IS NOT ACTING ON SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT THE PRESENCE OF WEAPONS

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OR FRGF ACTIVITY. INSTEAD, IT TARGETS A HIGHLY POPULATED AREA AND SCREENS EVERYONE FOR THEIR COMMUNE OF ORIGIN. IF THEY HAVE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE COUNSELLOR OF THE NEW SECTOR THEY LIVE IN, THEY ARE RETURNED TO THEIR COMMUNE OF ORIGIN. THE IDEA IS THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE SUSPECTED OF HIDING AWAY BECAUSE OF WHAT THEY MAY HAVE DONE DURING THE CIVIL WAR. IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS, SECTOR 1B HAS BEEN AT THE RECEIVING END OF THIS CATCHING OF "MILD OFFENDERS". AT THE PREFECTURE LEVEL, LAST WEEK, IT WAS NECESSARY TO PUT SOME OF THESE OFFENDERS (APPROXIMATELY 50) IN THE GITARAMA SPORT STADIUM BECAUSE OF THE OVERCROWDING OF THE GITARAMA PRISON AND NYAMABUYE (GITARAMA TOWN COMMUNE) CACHOT. THEY ALL ARRIVED FROM KIGALI TOWN. FOLLOWING THE PREFET'S REQUEST, MILOBS HAVE BEEN INVOLVED MOVING THESE PEOPLE TO COMMUNE OFFICES. IN MOST COMMUNES, THESE PEOPLE ARE TREATED AS PRISONERS AND ARE MARCHED STRAIGHT INTO THE COMMUNE CACHOT (WHICH ARE ALL BADLY OVERCROWDED). HR OFFICERS HAVE BEEN APPRISED OF THIS SITUATION AND ARE EVALUATING HOW THIS RELATES TO RWANDESE LAWS. MILOBS HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO INSURE THAT THE BOURGMESTRE AND UPI ARE BRIEFED ON THE NATURE OF THEIR "OFFENSE" SO THAT THEIR CASE ARE PROMPTLY REVIEWED. IT IS INTERESTING THAT TAMBWE COMMUNE (RUHANGO SUB-PREFECTURE), WHICH IS THE SECOND MOST POPULATED AREA IN THE PREFECTURE, AFTER GITARAMA TOWN, HAS NOW BEEN TARGETED AT THE "PICKING UP" END. GITARAMA TOWN'S TURN MUST BE AROUND THE CORNER. IT COULD HAVE BEEN DELAYED BECAUSE THE CONNECTION TO THE OPENING OF THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE GITARAMA PRISON WOULD HAVE BEEN A LITTLE TOO OBVIOUS FOR COMFORT.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ

DATE: 26 NOV 95

TO: MILOBS OF HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALIINFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERTING
PERIOD 251800 NOV TO 261800 NOV 95

1. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. A COPY OF THE LETTER WRITTEN BY "REPORTERS WITHOUT BORDERS" WHICH DENOUNCES THE THREATS TO MGR SIBOMANA'S LIFE HAS BEEN HANDED OVER TO UNAMIR G2 CELL TODAY. A COPY OF A SEPARATE REPORT ON A MEETING BETWEEN MGR SIBOMANA AND THE SECT CDR HAS ALSO BEEN HANDED OVER TO THE G2 CELL WITH A REQUEST THAT A COPY BE HANDED OVER TO MILOB HQ.

B. MILITARY(1) RPA. NTR.(2) ERFG. NTR.(3) OTHERS. NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. TODAY THE SECT CDR WENT TO KIGALI AND RETURNED AT 1600 HRS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUSHUBATI (6970) INCLUDING SECTORS REMERA (7111), KARAKA (6971), GATYAGABE (6972), GIKOMERO (6972) AND KADUHA (6269). IT REPORTED THE

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SITUATION AS CALM. HOWEVER, IN TWO SECTORS, FOUR PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED ON GENOCIDE CHARGES IN THE LAST FOUR DAYS.

(2) IN YET ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT, FOUR DRUNK RPA SOLDIERS BEAT SIX PEOPLE FOR AN UNKNOWN REASON ON 21 NOV 95.

(3) APART FROM THE USUAL LACKS OF FOOD, PESTICIDE, SEEDS AND FARM IMPLEMENTS, NO OTHER COMPLAINTS WERE RAISED IN THE AREAS VISITED.

(4) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED MUSAMBIRA COMMUNE (8274), INCLUDING SECTORS KAMBYEYI (8470, BIMOMWE(8171) AND NYAMIYAGO. THEY REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED MUGOMU (7207) FARMER SISTERS AND HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. ONE TEAM WAS ASSIGNED TO PROVIDE TRANSPORT TO FOUR VACCINATION OFFICIALS TO MURAMA (6749), MASANGO (6254) AND TAMBWE (7653) COMMUNES.

D. A TRUCK FROM INDBATT WAS PROVIDED TO THE SALVATION ARMY FOR TRANSPORTATION OF LOGS IN KAYENZI COMMUNE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1287 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NOT APPLICABLE.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	19

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I HAVE FORWARDED A

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FROM: SECTOR 18 HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ OF COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 241800 NOV TO 251800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA.

(A) THE MILOB/HR JOINT PATROL WAS CARRIED OUT TODAY TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE THE ILLICIT PRISON IN THE KABA COMMUNE (8883). THE PATROL WAS ADVISED BY THE ACIST REP IN THE BUGOBA SECTOR THAT ON SOME OCCASIONS, THE RPA HOLD SUSPECTS IN A BUILDING BEFORE A TRANSFER TO THE COMMUNE CACHOT. THERE IS STILL A DOUBT ON THIS "HOLDING FACILITY" BECAUSE THE IPJ COULD NOT BE CONTACTED. IF THE IPJ IS NOT AWARE OF THIS TEMPORARY PRISON, IT IMPLIES THAT SOME DETAINEES WERE ARRESTED WITHOUT HIM KNOWING. MORE TO FOLLOW.

(B) IT MAY HAVE BEEN REPORTED BY SECT 5A, BUT THE IDEA OF OPENING AN RPA OFFICER ACADEMY AT A SECTOR NEAR THE PREFECTURE BORDER IS DEEMED A VERY GOOD NEWS.

(C) SEE PARA 3.B.(1).

(2) FRFG. THE INTER-SECTOR PATROL HAS REVEALED NUMEROUS FRFG ACTIVITY ON THE FRINGE OF THE GITARAMA PREFECTURE IN SECTOR 5A. THIS WAS AN "EYE OPENER" TO FURTHER

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INVESTIGATE THIS KIND OF ACTIVITY IN THE NORTHERN COMMUNES.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIESA. SECTOR HQ

(1) TODAY, THE SECT CDR WAS AT THE PUMPING STATION BRIDGE TO COORDINATE THE HELP THAT 95 CMSG PROVIDED TO ICRC IN THE LAYING DOWN OF THE STEEL BEAMS. THE TEAM SHOULD BE CONGRATULATED FOR AN OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE. THIS BRIDGE WILL MAKE A MAJOR IMPACT ON THE MAINTENANCE OF THE GITARAMA WATER NETWORK.

(2) THE SECT CDR CONTACTED MGR SIBOMANA WHO IS BACK IN THE COUNTRY. IT IS CONFIRMED THAT NEW THREATS HAVE BEEN MADE TO HIS LIFE. A SEPARATE REPORT WILL BE HAND DELIVERED TO UNAMIR HQ TOMORROW MORNING TO COVER THE DETAILS. HE NOW CONSTANTLY TRAVELS WITH SOMEONE AND NEVER GOES OUT AFTER 1730 HRS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE TANDWE (7652) INCLUDING SECTORS MUNINI (7855), BUHORO (7558), TAMPWE (7956) AND TENYO (7459). IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM ALTHOUGH A COUNSELLOR WAS ATTACKED AND ROBBED BY 10 "RPA SOLDIERS" (ACCORDING TO HIM) IN TENYO SECTOR LAST NIGHT AROUND 2100 HRS. IT IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT THE COUNSELLOR WAS DRINKING BEER AT HIS BAR WITH THREE MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL LDFs. THEY WERE GETTING READY TO GO ON PATROL. ON THEIR WAY TO THE COUNSELLOR'S HOUSE, THEY HEARD FOUR SHOTS. UPON ARRIVAL AT THE HOUSE, THEY WERE MET BY TEN "RPA SOLDIERS" WHO BEAT THE THREE LDFs (WE HAD PREVIOUSLY REPORTED A GROWING TENSION BETWEEN LDFs AND THE RPA IN SOME AREA) WHILE THE COUNSELLOR WAS TAKEN INTO THE HOUSE TO INDICATE THE LOCATION OF THE GOODS TO ROB. THEY STOLE MONEY AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS SUCH AS TV, VCR AND THREE RADIOS. THE COUNCILLOR IS A RICH HUTU MERCHANT AND HE HAS REPORTED THE CASE TO RADIO RWANDA AND CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES. IT IS ASSUMED THAT THE FOUR SHOTS WERE USED TO DESTROY LIGHTING OUTSIDE THE HOUSE. THE COUNCILLOR IS CONVINCED THAT THE THIEVES WERE

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(2) THE SECOND TEAM ENTERED NYAMABARA COMMUNE (6907) TO LEAD THE FIRST INTER SECTOR PATROL. NUMEROUS DISCREPANCIES WERE ENCOUNTERED AT THE CONTACT POINT WITH A PATROL FROM SECTOR 5A. THE CONTACT POINT WAS THE ILLICIT PRISON RECENTLY DISCOVERED. THE TROOPS THERE SAID THAT THEY WERE NOT FROM 31 RPA BN BUT FROM 11 RPA BN WHICH IS BASED IN GITARAMA. COMMENT: IT IS HARD TO ASSESS WHO THESE TROOPS ARE BECAUSE OF CONFLICTING INFORMATION RECEIVED. THE "ILLEGAL" ASPECT OF THIS PRISON MAY HAVE MOTIVATED THE TROOPS TO DIFFERENTLY GIVE STRONG INFORMATION WHEN THEY WERE "DISCOVERED". THEREFORE IT IS FELT THAT THE TROOPS ARE PROBABLY FROM 11 BN. THIS WILL BE CLARIFIED WHEN A MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN THE SECT CDR AND THE RPA BDE CDR (PROBABLY ON 27 NOV 95). THE LIAISON OFFICER HAS ALREADY BEEN APPRISED OF UNAMIR'S CONCERN OVER THIS DETENTION FACILITY.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. A TRUCK WAS PROVIDED BY INDBATT FOR THE MOVING OF THE MUSAMBIRA BOURGMESTRE'S HOUSEHOLD FROM GITARAMA TO HIS NEW COMMUNE.

R. A TRUCK FROM INDBATT WAS PROVIDED TO A SCHOOL IN MUSHUBATI COMMUNE (6970) FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOOL FURNITURE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 18 IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1361 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES WILL BE SENT SEPARATELY TOMORROW AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	19

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9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THIS FIRST INTER-SECTOR PATROL WAS DEEMED A REAL SUCCESS. IT WAS FASCINATING TO HEAR THE DIFFERENCE THAT EXISTS BETWEEN THE TWO SECTORS. 5A'S POPULATION WAS DESCRIBED BY THE PATROL AS BEING QUITE CALM AND CONFIDENT, WITH VERY LITTLE BANDITRY ACTIVITY OR FEAR OF ARBITRARY ARREST. A FASCINATING EXPLANATION WAS GIVEN TO EXPLAIN THIS. FRGF ACTIVITY IS QUITE INTENSE IN THIS AREA AND OUR MIKEE TEAM HAD THE IMPRESSION THAT THE RPA IN SECTOR 5A WAS TOO BUSY REACTING OR DETERRING FRGF ACTIVITY TO HARASS THE LOCAL POPULATION! THERE ARE REALLY ALWAYS TWO SIDES TO A COIN. WE INTEND TO PROCEED WITH MORE INTER-SECTORS PATROLS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION THROUGHOUT OUR SECTOR.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ

DATE: 24 NOV 95

TO: BRIGADE ST HQ

FORCING HQ

INFO:

FORCING HQ

COORDINATE

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 231800 NOV TO 241800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. FACIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR

- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE MILIB/HR JOINT PATROL WHICH WAS SCHEDULED FOR TODAY TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE THE ELICIT PROBLEM IN THE LABA COMMUNE (8883) DID NOT MATERIALIZE AS HR MEMBERS GOT COMMITTED WITH ANOTHER PRIORITY. THE ISSUE WILL BE FOLLOWED UP WHEN HR MEMBERS AVAILABLE.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ.

(1) TOMORROW THE SECT CDR WILL BE AT THE PUMPING STATION BRIDGE TO COORDINATE THE HELP THAT 95 CMSG WILL PROVIDE TO ICRC.

(2) ALSO, HE WILL ATTEMPT TO CONTACT MGR SIBOMANA WHO IS APPARENTLY BACK IN THE COUNTRY. IT APPEARS THAT "REPORTERS WITHOUT BORDERS" HAVE INFORMED HR OFFICERS THAT NEW THREATS HAVE BEEN MADE TO HIS LIFE.

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B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUKINGI (7160) INCLUDING SECTORS MUNORORO (7458), MAHEMBE (7160), ROGOGWE (6956), KAMUSENYI (7061) AND RUTABARA (6559). THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 115 (106/17 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 95. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED BYIMANA CLINIC AND REPORTED THE CONDITION OF THE CLINIC SATISFACTORY IN TERMS OF DRUG RESUPPLY.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED RUTOBWE COMMUNE (7781) INCLUDING SECTORS CYEZA (7777), GIKO (7883) AND RUTONGA. IT REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. CACHOT FIGURES 102 (103/14 NOV 95) GENOCIDE 86. THREE COMMON CRIME WERE RELEASED AND TWO MORE WERE ARRESTED LAST WEEK.

(3) THE TEAM WAS ADVISED THAT THERE ARE FIVE LDF AT THE COMMUNE AND ARE PAID 230 FRW A DAY.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THIS SECT RECEIVED 300 BLANKETS FROM AUSTRIAN RELIEF PROGRAM FOR DISTRIBUTION TO ORPHANS.

B. A TRUCK FROM INDBATT WAS PROVIDED TO THE SALVATION ARMY FOR TRANSPORTATION OF LOGS IN KAYENZI COMMUNE.

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS**. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1287 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.**7. LOGISTICS.**

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

3. <u>MILOB STATE</u> :	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	04
	PRESENT	20

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9. MISCELLANEOUS. TOMORROW, AS PREVIOUSLY HINTED, THIS SECTOR WILL HAVE ITS FIRST INTER-SECTOR PATROL WITH RUHENOERI (5A). IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT THE RV POINT IS THE LOCATION OF THE NEWLY DISCOVERED ILLICIT PRISON AT THE BRIDGE.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I WAS SAD TO LEARN TODAY THAT THE HR TEAM WILL MOVE ITS HQ AWAY FROM OUR HQ. IT WILL MAKE COORDINATION A LITTLE HARDER BUT WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO PURSUE OUR GOOD COOPERATION.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 22 NOV 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
SECTOR 5A

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 211800 NOV TO 221800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

A. GENERAL. CALM.

B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. THE PREFET ADMITTED THE URGENCY OF HAVING A BOURGMESTRE IN TABA COMMUNE WHERE TENSIONS ARE ON THE RISE. HE ALSO WANTS TO APPROACH THE NTONGWE BOURGMESTRE TO DISCUSS THE RECENT WAVES OF ARRESTS WHICH HAVE BEEN LINKED TO HIS ARRIVAL.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. TODAY, A JOINT MILOB/HR/G2 CELL TEAM VISITED NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597) TO INVESTIGATE THE UNCONFIRMED REPORT THAT A SECRET DETENTION FACILITY EXISTED IN NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597) IN SECTOR NGARU (6308). THE INVESTIGATION REVEALED THE FOLLOWING:

(A) THERE IS AN "UNREGISTERED" PRISON AT 660 084, NEAR THE MOUFOUMBA BRIDGE LINKING GITARAMA AND RUHENGERI PREFECTURES.

(B) THE TEAM INTERVIEWED A MAN WHO RECEIVED A WRITTEN ORDER TO GO TO THE PRISON. KNOWING THE REPUTATION OF THE PLACE, THE MAN DID NOT WANT TO GO. HIS COORDINATES AND PICTURE WERE TAKEN BY THE HR MEMBER.

(C) THE TEAM INTERVIEWED ANOTHER MAN WHO HAD JUST SPENT THREE DAYS IN THIS PRISON, HAVING BEEN RELEASED

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YESTERDAY. HE WAS IN VERY BAD SHAPE WITH OBVIOUS SIGNS OF TORTURE ON ARMS, BACK AND BUTTOCK. HE SAID THAT THERE WERE SIX PRISONERS ON THE DAY OF HIS ARREST (18 NOV 95) AND THAT FOUR WERE RELEASED YESTERDAY. HE SAID THAT THE RPA ARRESTS LEADERS OR WHAT COULD BE CONSTRUED AS "MORE INTELLIGENT" PEOPLE IN A SYSTEMATIC WAY. HE ESTIMATES THAT LAST WEEK, THERE WERE 50 TO 80 PRISONERS. BOTH MEN (HIM AND THE ONE WHO RECEIVED THE WRITTEN ORDER) SAID THAT PRISONERS HAD TO PAY FROM 2 000 TO 40 000 RWF TO BE RELEASED, THE AMOUNT DEPENDING ON PERSONAL WEALTH.

(D) AT THE PRISON, THE TEAM SAW EIGHT SOLDIERS. THE HIGHEST RANKING ONE WAS A SERGEANT WHO SAID THAT HE WAS FROM 11 RPA BATTALION (THE OFFICER COMMANDING AND HIS 2IC WERE ABSENT). HE ADMITTED THAT THIS JAIL WAS UNKNOWN TO CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES IN BOTH PREFECTURES (THIS WAS CONFIRMED WITH THE GITARAMA PREFET TODAY). HE CONFIRMED THAT THERE WERE FIVE PEOPLE IN THE JAIL LATELY. HE EXPLAINED THAT PRISONERS OF THIS JAIL WERE ONLY ARRESTED BY THE RPA, INDEPENDENTLY FROM IPJs OR BOURGMESTRES.

(E) NO DETAINEES WERE SEEN. THE TEAM WAS ALLOWED TO VISIT ONE CELL AND WAS TOLD THAT IT WAS THE ONLY ONE. NUMEROUS SIGNS SUGGESTED THAT THERE WERE MORE DETENTION ROOMS. THE CELL WAS STILL SMELLY WITH FRESH URINE ON THE FLOOR.

(F) COMMENT: IT APPEARS THAT THE INITIAL MILOBS PATROL IN THE AREA HAS FORCED THE RPA TO RELEASE THE FOUR DETAINEES THEY STILL HAD YESTERDAY (AS SUGGESTED BY THE TWO INFORMANTS). IT IS DIFFICULT TO EXPLAIN WHY THE RPA WAS SO OPEN ABOUT THE "SECRECY" OF THIS DETENTION FACILITY. THE FACT THAT AN OFFICER (UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME) IS COMMANDING THIS RELATIVELY SMALL DETACHMENT IS SIGNIFICANT. A HR OFFICER HAS SUGGESTED THAT THE RPA IS PROBABLY NOT TOO CONCERNED ABOUT ITS ACTION BECAUSE IT HAS AN "EASY WAY OUT" BY SAYING THAT IT IS A TRANSFER OR HOLDING FACILITY. THIS SECTOR HQ WILL CONTINUE MONITORING THE SITUATION.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ

DATE: 21 NOV 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 201800 NOV TO 211800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

A. GENERAL. CALM.

B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. YESTERDAY, A MILOB TEAM HAD RECEIVED AN UNCONFIRMED REPORT FROM A NEW INFORMANT (AT A VACCINATION CAMPAIGN) THAT A SECRET DETENTION FACILITY EXISTED IN NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597) IN SECTOR NGARU (6308). THE INFORMANT HAD TOLD THAT IT CONTAINED 80 DETAINEES AND THAT THEY WERE BEING MALTREATED. TODAY, A TEAM WAS SENT TO INVESTIGATE AND FOUND WHAT COULD BE THIS "SECRET PRISON". THE BUILDING IS NEAR A BRIDGE (660 084) CALLED MOUFOUMBA LINKING THIS PREFECTURE TO RUHENGERI PREFECTURE. LOCALS WERE VERY AFRAID TO SPEAK AND SAID THAT IT WAS THE FIRST TIME THEY SAW UNAMIR VEHICLES IN THE AREA. THE COUNSELLOR WAS FETCHED AND INDICATED THAT THERE WAS A PRISON NEARBY AND THAT THERE WERE ONLY FOUR PEOPLE LEFT IN IT. ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL INDICATED THAT THE PRISON IS VERY CROWDED AT TIMES AND THAT DETAINEES ARE TRANSFERRED TOWARDS NYAKABANDA CACHOT OR TO OTHER UNKNOWN DESTINATIONS. THE TEAM CLOSED IN TO THE PRISON AND RAN INTO AN RPA GUARD WHO REFUSED TO TALK TO THE TEAM. THE TEAM DECIDED NOT TO PROCEED TO THE PRISON ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE PRISONERS WOULD BE MOVED TO ANOTHER LOCATION SHOULD THE ACCESS TO THE PRISON BE

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DENIED. LATER, THE INITIAL INFORMANT SHOWED THE MILOB TEAM A LETTER INDICATING THAT HE HAD TO REPORT TO THIS LOCATION (DETENTION FACILITY) TOMORROW AT NOON. THE LETTER DID NOT HAVE AN OFFICIAL STAMP BUT WAS SIGNED. THIS PERSON WAS OBVIOUSLY FEARING FOR HIS LIFE AND WAS HOPING THAT UNAMIR'S INTERVENTION COULD CHANGE HIS FATE. A JOINT PATROL IS PLANNED FOR TOMORROW BETWEEN HR, MILOBS AND A REP OF UNAMIR G2 CELL. THEIR MISSION WILL BE TO ATTEMPT A VISIT OF THIS DETENTION FACILITY.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR VISITED THE GITARAMA PRISON TODAY WITH DR KRISTIANSEN, HEAD OF NORMED AND REPS OF UNAMIR G2 CELL. APPROXIMATELY 2000 INMATES HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE NEW PART OF THE PRISON AND THE OLD PART STILL LOOKED CROWDED BUT IT WAS NOTICEABLY EASIER TO WALK AROUND. THE PRISONERS HAVE NOT RECEIVED MEDICAL TREATMENT SINCE THE OPENING OF THE NEW PART AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT THIS COULD BE BECAUSE THE PRISON AUTHORITIES WANT TO MINIMIZE THE MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL NOT TO COMPROMISE THE FIRST PRISON CENSUS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NTONGWE (9057) INCLUDING SECTORS KIWANZI (8958) AND RUTABO (9455) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(2) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT HAVE INCREASED TO 439 FROM 395 SINCE 13 NOV 95. THERE HAVE BEEN APPROXIMATELY 67 ARRESTS IN THIS MONTH. ALL THESE ARRESTS ARE GENOCIDE RELATED. MILOBS WILL FURTHER INVESTIGATE THE REASONS FOR THIS SUDDEN SPURT OF ARRESTS.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYAKABANDA (6597) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM WAS SENT TO INVESTIGATE ABOUT "SECRET PRISON". REFER PARA 2B (1).

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. A MILOB TEAM TODAY ONCE AGAIN WENT TO ASSIST A PREFECTURAL LEVEL VACCINATION CAMPAIGN. THIS

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HQ HAS UNDERTAKEN TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR NYAKABANDA COMMUNE. ONE MILOB TEAM WILL VISIT NYAKABANDA COMMUNE THROUGHOUT THE WEEK ALONG WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF HEALTH CENTRE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1507, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1231 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE</u> :	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	19

9. MISCELLANEOUS. THE UNHCR GITARAMA REPRESENTATIVE INDICATED THAT SHE WITNESSED A CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION IN TAMBWE COMMUNE TODAY. A TEAM WILL BE SENT TO INVESTIGATE TOMORROW.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. IT WAS NOT SUCH A GREAT DAY TODAY. I AM STARTING TO FEAR THAT THE RPA IS LAUNCHING INTO ANOTHER ARREST CAMPAIGN. BEFORE I HEARD ABOUT THE WAVE OF ARRESTS IN NTONGWE AND TAMBWE, THE PRISONERS IN GITARAMA PRISON TOLD ME TODAY TO EXPECT A WAVE OF ARRESTS BECAUSE OF THE NEW SPACE AVAILABLE. INDICATORS ARE THAT THIS COULD VERY WELL BE THE CASE. THE SITUATION IS NOT GOING TO IMPROVE IN THE DAYS TO COME. ACTUALLY, THE SITUATION IN THIS SECTOR COULD SHORTLY BE LABELLED AS "TENSE". IT IS A BIT OF A PARADOX THAT THIS HAPPENS WHEN THE GOVERNMENT IS TELLING THE REST OF THE WORLD THAT UNAMIR'S PRESENCE IS NOT REQUIRED.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 20 NOV 95
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 191800 NOV TO 201800 NOV 95

1. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.B. BORDERS. NTR.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESA. POLITICAL.

(1) FATHER RAMON OF CATHOLIC CHURCH AT TABA (8883), WHOSE ASSASSINATION WAS ATTEMPTED ON 12 NOV 95, HAS LEFT THE COUNTRY ON 18 NOV 95.

(2) UNCONFIRMED SOURCES HAVE INDICATED THAT THERE WOULD BE SECRET PRISON IN NGARU SECTOR (6308), NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597). THERE WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY 80 PRISONERS IN THE PRISON AND WOULD APPARENTLY SUFFER MALTREATMENT. A MILOB TEAM IS BEING SENT TOMORROW TO SEE IF ALLEGATIONS ARE FOUNDED.

B. MILITARY(1) RPA.

(A) IT MAY BE DEEMED USELESS INFORMATION BUT IT HAS BEEN NOTICED THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE RPA IS NOW DOING PHYSICAL TRAINING IN CIVILIAN SPORTS ATTIRE.

(B) MILOBS HAD TO INTERVENE THIS MORNING TO "RESCUE" A HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICER WHO WAS REFUSING TO HAVE HER VEHICLE SEARCHED AT THE MUSHUBATI CHECK POINT. THE SECT CDR THEN WENT TO THE CHECK POINT WITH THE RPA

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BATTALION COMMANDER TO ENSURE THAT THE NEW RPA PERSONNEL RESPECT THE HR'S FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT.

(C) FOR THE FIRST TIME IN GITARAMA, THE SECT CDR WAS ALLOWED TO PROCEED WITHIN THE RPA GARRISON. THERE HE MET WITH THE RPA BATTALION COMMANDER WHO SEEMS TO HAVE TAKEN MORE IMPORTANCE UNDER THE COMMAND OF COL NDEGEYINKA.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR VISITED THE GITARAMA PRISON AND WITNESSED THE MOVEMENT OUT OF THE OLD PART TO THE NEW PART. IT WOULD BE AN UNDERSTATEMENT TO SAY THAT THE INMATES WERE IN A GOOD MOOD. MORE THAN 1500 OF THEM WERE MOVED BY THE END OF THE DAY. THE DREADED SEARCH FOR PERSONAL MATERIAL HAS BEEN ONGOING AND HAS NOT REVEALED ANYTHING SUBSTANTIAL. IN THE COURTYARD, A PHOTOGRAPHER WAS TAKING PICTURES OF INMATES FROM COMMUNES NEIGHBOURING KIGALI PREFECTURE. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THIS IS IN PREPARATION FOR A TRANSFER OF PRISONERS. APPARENTLY, 1400 FILES WOULD BE READY BUT THE PRISON DIRECTOR MUST WAIT FOR THE "GO AHEAD" FROM THE NATIONAL PENITENTIARY SERVICE.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUSAMBIRA (8274) INCLUDING SECTORS GATIZO (8677) AND BIBUNGO (8968) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THERE IS A LDF COMPRISING OF FIVE PERSONS IN THE COMMUNE. THEY ARE PAID 250 FRW PER DAY. AT THE SECTOR LEVEL, THERE ARE PATROLS BUT THEY ARE UNOFFICIALLY ORGANIZED.

(2) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT HAVE INCREASED TO 201 FROM 187 SINCE 02 NOV 95. NEW ARRESTS ARE GENOCIDE RELATED AND WOULD IMPLY PEOPLE WHO WERE IN HIDING. MILOBS WILL FURTHER INVESTIGATE TO CONFIRM IF THESE PEOPLE WERE REALLY IN HIDING OR WHETHER THE JUSTICE/RPA SYSTEM IS GETTING TIGHTER.

(3) THE SAME TEAM ALSO VISITED COMMUNE MUGINA (9267),

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INCLUDING MBATI SECTOR (9467) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THERE IS NO LDF IN THE COMMUNE.

(4) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT HAVE INCREASED TO 263 FROM 225 SINCE 08 NOV 95. SAME ARREST PROCEDURES VERIFICATION WILL TAKE PLACE AS IN MUSAMBIRA COMMUNE.

(5) ACIST IS PLANNING TO INSTALL A MACHINERY TO EXTRACT HONEY IN THE COMMUNE. THIS WILL ASSIST THE BEE KEEPER.

(6) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MASANGO (5462) INCLUDING SECTORS KIRWA (5860), GITINDA (5954), MUREMURE (6252) AND NYAKOGO (5658) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(7) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT HAVE DECREASED FROM 250 TO 239 SINCE 31 OCT 95. THERE ARE NO BANDITRY ACTIVITIES. THERE IS NO LDF EXCEPT IN SECTORS KADAHU (5850) AND RWESERO (5454), WHICH HAVE A COMMON BORDER WITH GIKONGORO PREFECTURE.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. A MILOB TEAM TODAY WAS SENT TODAY TO ASSIST A PREFECTURAL LEVEL VACCINATION CAMPAIGN. THE TEAM WENT TO NYAKABANDA COMMUNE AND THE OPERATION WAS DEEMED A SUCCESS. THIS HQ WILL BE FURTHER SOLICITED IN THIS ENDEAVOUR THROUGHOUT THE WEEK.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1501, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1225 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS. SEE PARA 9. REF TIRES.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE</u> :	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	19

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9. MISCELLANEOUS. THE SECT CDR HAD A THIRD FLAT TIRE IN EIGHT DAYS. IT IS GETTING HARDER AND HARDER TO GET NEW TIRES AND NEGOTIATIONS HAVE TO BE HELD AT THE WORK SHOP NOT TO HAVE VEHICLES GROUNDED BECAUSE OF WORN OUT TIRES. THE SOLUTION IS OBVIOUSLY NOT TO GROUND VEHICLES BUT TO GET NEW TIRES WHATEVER IS HAPPENING WITH THE MANDATE. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT SAFETY AND OPERATIONAL MATTER.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. IT WAS A GREAT DAY TODAY WITH THIS MOVEMENT OF PRISONERS. I DISCUSSED THIS MOVE WITH THE RPA SECURITY OFFICER AT THE PRISON AND I WAS IMPRESSED WITH HIS GENUINE DESIRE TO IMPROVE THE DETENTION CONDITIONS. HE MADE A DIRECT CONNECTION BETWEEN THE DETENTION CONDITIONS IN GITARAMA AND THE RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS THAT HIS GOVERNMENT IS PROJECTING. THIS REINFORCED MY FEELING THAT THE GITARAMA PRISON IS AN IMPORTANT "THERMOMETER" OF THE SITUATION IN RWANDA.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 19 NOV 95
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 181800 NOV TO 191800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA. NTR.
- (2) IRFG. NTR.
- (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THIS HQ IS AWAITING A REPLY ON THE CONCERN EXPRESSED ON THE WITHDRAWAL OF INDSIGS OPERATORS.

B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE KAYENZI (8389) INCLUDING SECTORS GIHIRA (8581), CUBI (8192), KIRWA (8591) AND BITARE (8383) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.
- (2) IN GIHIRA SECTOR, SIX PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED ON 16 NOV 95 ON GENOCIDE CHARGES AND IN KIRWA, FOUR PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED ON 11 NOV 95 ALSO ON GENOCIDE CHARGES. A MILOB TEAM WILL VISIT THE COMMUNE CACHOT ON A WORKING DAY FOR

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FURTHER DETAILS.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE TAMBWE (7652), INCLUDING SECTORS GATEZI (7353), NYAMAGANA (7855), MUNINI (7956) AND BOHORO (7558) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THERE IS NO LDF IN THE SECTORS VISITED.

(4) IN GATEZI SECTOR FOOD AND HOES WERE DISTRIBUTED TO THE POOR, ORPHANS AND WIDOWS ON 14 NOV 95.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1501, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1223 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	19

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. NEXT WEEK WILL BE PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT FOR A CLOSE FOLLOW UP OF THE MOVEMENT OF PRISONERS FROM THE OLD PART OF THE GITARAMA PRISON TO THE NEW ONE. I HAVE SCHEDULED NUMEROUS VISITS TO MONITOR PROGRESS.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 18 NOV 95
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 171800 NOV TO 181800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
 - (1) RPA. NTR.
 - (2) FRFG. NTR.
 - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. SEE SEPARATE CORRESPONDENCE SENT TODAY TO DCMO CONCERNING THE WITHDRAWAL OF INDSIGS PERSONNEL.

B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUKINGI (7161) INCLUDING SECTORS GITEGA (6964) AND MUHORORO (7364) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THERE IS NO LDF IN THE SECTORS VISITED.
- (2) THERE ARE NO ARRESTS AND NO BANDITRY ACTIVITIES IN THE SECTORS VISITED. THE LOCALS HAVE REQUESTED FOR SEEDS AND AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS

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(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE RUTOBWE (7781) INCLUDING SECTORS CYEZA (7777), GATOVU (7479) AND NTONDE (8081) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. AT THE COMMUNITY LEVEL, THERE IS AN UNARMED LDF COMPRISING FIVE PEOPLE. THEY ARE PAID 5000 FRW EVERY MONTH.

(4) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT HAVE INCREASED TO 103 FROM 84 SINCE 04 NOV 95.

(5) A MEETING WAS HELD IN NTONDE SECTOR (8081) TODAY. THE BOURGMESTRE AND THE RPA PLATOON CDR ADDRESSED THE LOCALS. IT WAS ATTENDED AMONGST OTHERS, BY THE REPS OF ICRC AND SCF (CHILDREN ORIENTED NGO FROM THE UK), WHO MADE USE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CARRY OUT VERIFICATION IN ORDER TO TRACE MISSING CHILDREN.

(6) THE THIRD MILOB TEAM WAS SENT FOR A JOINT RECCE, ALONG WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF 95 CMSG AND ICRC, OF THE PUMPING STATION BRIDGE NEAR KABGAYI. 95 CMSG EXPERT ADVISED THE REPRESENTATIVE TO FILL THE EARTH ADJACENT TO THE BRIDGE IN ORDER TO ENABLE THEIR HEAVY VEHICLE TO COME CLOSE TO THE BRIDGE SITE TO MOVE THE STEEL BEAMS.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1501, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1223 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
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	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE</u> :	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	19

9. MISCELLANEOUS. THIS HQ'S PHONE NUMBER IS NOW 11794 FOR OPERATIONS AND FAX. 11795 IS THE SECT CDR'S EXTENSION.

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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I WILL BE IN KIGALI TOMORROW AND I WILL ATTEMPT TO FURTHER DISCUSS THIS ANNOUNCED WITHDRAWAL OF INDSIGS PERSONNEL. I WILL BE ON CHANNEL 13 AS CALL SIGN CB9.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR IB HQ *GITARAMA* DATE: 17 NOV 95
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
FORCE SIGNAL COY

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 161800 NOV TO 171800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY
 - (1) RPA. NTR.
 - (2) FRFG. NTR.
 - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- A. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
- B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE KIGOMA (7649) INCLUDING SECTORS NGWA (7247), KIRULI (7049), RUBONA (6953) AND BUTARE (7550) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THERE IS NO LDF IN THE SECTORS VISITED.

(2) THE NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN THE COMMUNE HAVE INCREASED FROM 49 TO 62. THESE RETURNEES HAVE COME FROM ZAIRE AND HAVE GONE BACK TO THEIR OWN HOUSES IN THEIR RESPECTIVE SECTORS.

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(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE BULINGA (6679) INCLUDING SECTORS BURAMBA (6883), GASAVE (6582), MUSENYI (6279) AND REMERA (6380) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(4) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT HAVE INCREASED FROM 68 TO 70. FOUR RETURNEES HAVE ARRIVED FROM ZAIRE ON 13 NOV 95. THEY ARE FACING PROBLEMS OF SHELTER AND FOOD.

(5) IN BATAMA CELLULE (6780) SIX BODIES WERE RECOVERED FROM A SMALL GRAVE. THESE BODIES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AND ARE BEING REBURIED AFTER PERFORMING LAST RITES.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.

A. FORCE ENGR COY PROVIDED THREE TRUCKS TO "BARAKABAHO FOUNDATION" FOR TRANSPORTATION OF 17 TONS OF FOOD FROM KIGALI TO RUHANGO (7653) FOR 385 ORPHANS STAYING WITH FOSTER FAMILIES IN GITARAMA.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1501, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1223 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
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8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	19

9. MISCELLANEOUS. TOMORROW AT 0930, A MILOB TEAM WILL GO TO THE PUMPING STATION BRIDGE NEAR KABGAYI FOR A RECCE AND MEET AN OPERATOR FROM 95 CMSG WHO WILL DETERMINE IF HIS EQUIPMENT WILL ALLOW THE INSTALLATION OF STEEL BEAMS ON THE NEWLY MADE BRIDGE FOOTING THAT THE ICRC IS BUILDING.

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10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I HAVE JUST BEEN APPRISED THAT INDIAN OPERATORS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE PULLED OUT OF GITARAMA BECAUSE A NEW COMMUNICATION HAS BEEN PUT IN PLACE. I WOULD HAVE APPRECIATED BEING CONSULTED BEFORE SUCH AN ANNOUNCEMENT WOULD HAVE BEEN MADE. NEVERTHELESS, THE IMPORTANT IS THAT THE SITUATION BE PROPERLY REVIEWED. I STRONGLY OPPOSED THIS MOVE AND I SEE NUMEROUS REASONS WHY THE THREE NCOs SHOULD STAY HERE. I WILL INITIATE DISCUSSIONS WITH HIGHER HEADQUARTERS TOMORROW AND SEPARATE CORRESPONDENCE IF NECESSARY.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 16 NOV 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 151800 NOV TO 161800 NOV 95

1. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.B. BORDERS. NTR.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESA. POLITICAL. NTR.B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE FRFG RPA BDE CDR SHOWED THAT HE HAD SOME INFLUENCE ON THE MILITARY HIERARCHY TODAY WHEN HE TOOK ON HIMSELF TO ALLOW THE VISIT OF THE GITARAMA PRISON BY LT-GEN ROY. THE AUTHORITY FROM THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE WAS STILL NOT AVAILABLE BUT HE "FORCED" HIS SUBORDINATES TO COOPERATE TO HAVE THE VISIT COORDINATED.

(2) FRFG. NTR.(3) OTHERS. NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIESA. SECTOR HQ

(1) LT-GEN A. ROY DEPUTY CANADIAN CHIEF OF DEFENCE STAFF VISITED THE SECT TODAY. HE WAS BRIEFED BY THE SECT CDR ABOUT THE PREVAILING SITUATION IN RWANDA IN GENERAL AND GITARAMA IN PARTICULAR. THERE AFTER THE GENERAL VISITED THE GITARAMA PRISON.

(2) THE SECT CDR HAS GONE TO KIGALI TO ATTEND THE MEDAL

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PARADE OF THE CANADIAN CONTINGENT.

B. TEAMS

(1) IN VIEW OF THE VISIT OF LT-GEN A. ROY CANADIAN CHIEF OF DEFENCE STAFF, NO REGULAR PATROLS WERE SENT. HOWEVER, MILITARY ASSISTED IN TRANSPORTING 16 PEOPLE FROM GITARAMA ILLEGALLY GONE TO KIGALI FOR WORK, WITHOUT A VALID WORK PERMIT. CONSEQUENTLY, THEY WERE ARRESTED BY THE RPA AND SENT BACK TO THE PREFECTURE.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.

A. INDBATT PROVIDED TWO TRUCKS FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF SAND FOR AGENCY RWANDESE FOR DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (ARDEC). IN RUNDA COMMUNE (9882). THIS WAS REQUIRED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSES.

B. FORCE ENGR COY PROVIDED FOUR TRUCKS TO 'BARAKABAHO FOUNDATION' FOR TRANSPORTATION OF 17 TONS OF FOOD FROM KIGALI TO RUHANGO (7653) FOR 385 ORPHANS STAYING WITH FOSTER FAMILIES IN GITARAMA.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNED REFUGEES TO THE 12 OF OCTOBER, 1995, HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1357 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.7. LOGISTICS.

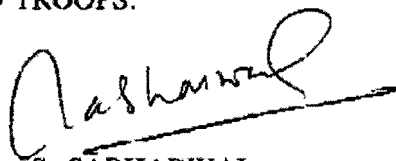
VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
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8. <u>MILOB STATE.</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
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9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

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TO: ~~SECTOR COMMANDER~~ ~~ASSISTANT~~ ~~IN MY ROLE AS~~ ~~SECTOR~~
SECTOR COMMANDER, I THINK THAT MILOBS HAVE A VERY USEFUL ROLE
TO PLAY IN RESTRUCTURING OF RWANDA. IT WILL THEREFORE BE IN
ORDER IF THE MILOBS SHOW THEIR PRESENCE FOR ANOTHER SIX MONTHS,
PREFERABLY WITH FORMED TROOPS.



S. SABHARWAL
MAJOR
FOR COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 15 NOV 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 141800 NOV TO 151800 NOV 95

1. SITUATION

A. GENERAL. CALM.

B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. NTR.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. FOLLOWING OUR YESTERDAY'S REPORT ON MASKED SOLDIERS WHO FORCED THEIR WAY INTO A CATHOLIC COMPOUND IN TABA COMMUNE (8883) ON 12 NOV 95, MOST OF THE INFORMATION HAS BEEN CONFIRMED. THEY WERE LOOKING FOR A SPANISH FATHER WHO WAS INTERVIEWED TODAY AND HE WAS UP TO HIS REPUTATION OF SPEAKING HIS MIND ON THE SITUATION IN RWANDA. HE BELIEVES THAT THIS ATTACK IS A FOLLOW-UP FROM COMMENTS MADE ON RADIO RWANDA BY A GITARAMA REPORTER WHO CRITICIZED HIM BY NAME AS AN INTERHAMWE WHO HAD TO BE KILLED. THE BROADCASTING ALSO INCLUDED DEROGATORY COMMENTS AGAINST ALL SPANISH PRIESTS WHO WERE SAID TO BE PRO-HUTU RACISTS. SEVEN FRANCISCAN SISTERS WERE BEATEN AND THREE OF THEM WERE INTERVIEWED. THEY ARE STILL SHAKEN AND HAVE MOVED OUT OF THEIR HOUSE. THERE WAS ACTUALLY ONE SHOT FIRED AGAINST A LOCAL PERSON WHO ATTEMPTED TO YELL FOR HELP. HE WAS SHOT IN THE ARM. THE SPANISH FATHER WHO IS PROBABLY STILL ALIVE BECAUSE HE WAS ATTENDING A FUNCTION SOMEWHERE ELSE, HAS ELECTED TO REMAIN AT HIS HOUSE. RPA AUTHORITIES ARE AWARE OF THE SITUATION AND HAVE ACTUALLY INTERVIEWED THE FATHER WITH THE ACTING BOURGMESTRE PRESENT.

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(2) FRFG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ

(1) THE SECT CDR HAS GONE TO KIGALI THIS AFTERNOON TO ATTEND A FUNCTION AT THE BELGIAN AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE ON THE OCCASION OF THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

(2) THIS SECTOR HAS STILL NOT BEEN APPRISED OF AN APPROVAL OF THE VISIT OF THE CANADIAN DEPUTY CHIEF OF DEFENCE STAFF TO THE GITARAMA PRISON TOMORROW, THURSDAY 16 NOV 95. AS DISCUSSED WITH DCOS SP, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THIS HIGH LEVEL VISIT BE APPROVED BY THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE. THIS CONFIRMATION IS URGENTLY REQUIRED TO PLAN THIS VISIT.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYABIKENKE (7292) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THERE WAS AN INCIDENT OF BANDITRY IN MUGUNGA SECTOR (7096) ON 09 NOV 95. FIVE PERSONS IN RPA UNIFORM CARRIED OUT BANDITRY ACTIVITIES IN THREE DIFFERENT HOUSES AND STOLE APPROXIMATELY 13000 FRW, TWO RADIOS AND OTHER HOUSE HOLD GOODS.

(2) REFER OUR SITREP DATED 12 NOV 95. THE EIGHT PERSONS WHO WERE TRANSPORTED TO NYABIKENKE FROM GITARAMA HAVE SINCE BEEN RELEASED EXCEPT ONE.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NYAMABUYE (7470) INCLUDING SECTORS KIVUMU (6359), NPUSHI (8077), TAKWE (7575) AND MUNYINYA (7770). THEY REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT HAVE INCREASED FROM 151 TO 160.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. SEE PARA 3.B.(4).

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1519, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1357 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

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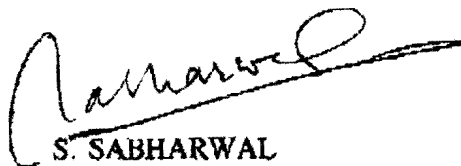
6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.7. LOGISTICS.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE:</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS. IT APPEARS THAT THE CONFUSION ABOUT YESTERDAY'S BODY WHICH HAD TO BE BROUGHT BACK FROM NYARIKENKE (7292) TO KADGAYI HOSPITAL FOR AN AUTOPSY STEMMED FROM THE FAMILY'S DECISION NOT TO HAVE THE AUTOPSY PERFORMED.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. BOTH THE PREFET AND THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER VISITED ME TODAY AND BOTH ENQUIRED ABOUT THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE. IT WAS NOT A SURPRISE FROM THE PREFET BUT IT IS INTERESTING THAT MANY OFFICERS OF THE RPA WOULD RATHER SEE UNAMIR HAVE ITS MANDATE EXTENDED. THEY REALIZE THAT THEY NEED THE SUPPORT OF THE POPULATION TO DO AWAY WITH INSTABILITY IN THE COUNTRY. BY EXTENSION, IT IS THE BEST WAY THEY CAN MANAGE TO HOLD ON TO POWER IN THIS COUNTRY.



S. SABHARWAL
MAJOR

FOR COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

DATE: 1 NOV 95

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
95 CMSG
BROWN AND ROOT

**SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 311800 OCT TO 011800 NOV 95**

1. SITUATION

A. GENERAL. CALM.

B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. NTR.

B. MILITARY

(1) RPA. SEE PARA 3.A. AND 10.

(2) FREG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR WENT ON PATROL TO NTONGWE (9057) WITH ANOTHER MILOB TO INVESTIGATE RUMORS OF THREE PEOPLE KILLED BY UNIFORMED MEN. IT WAS CONFIRMED THAT THREE MEN HAD BEEN KILLED BY ARMED BANDITS IN GIKOMA SECTOR (8153). APPROXIMATELY EIGHT UNIFORMED MEN, FORMALLY IDENTIFIED BY A WITNESS AS BEING RPA SOLDIERS BECAUSE OF THEIR MILITARY JARGON USING SWAHILI EXPRESSIONS, FORCED THEIR WAY INTO A HOUSE ON SATURDAY 29 OCT AT 1900 HRS. THEY IMMEDIATELY KILLED TWO WORKERS AND A COW, INTERROGATED THE HOUSEWIFE ON THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE HUSBAND AND MOVED TO THE OUTSIDE A TV SET, A SOLAR PANEL, TWO RADIOS, AN AMPLIFIER AND CLOTHING. AN OLD MAN WENT TO THE HOUSE TO HELP THE VICTIM AND WAS TOLD TO SIT DOWN ONLY TO BE KILLED AT POINT

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BLANK RANGE. IT APPEARS THAT THE UNIFORMED MEN WERE LED BY TWO CIVILIANS. BEFORE LEAVING, ONE OF THE CIVILIANS WENT BACK TO THE HOUSEWIFE AND BEAT HER UP WITH THE FLAT OF A MACHETE BLADE. IT IS NOT CLEAR WHY THEY DID NOT KILL HER. THE IPJ INVESTIGATION IS ONGOING.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED KIGOMA COMMUNE (7649) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM IN SECTORS KIVUMU (7342) AND KIGOMA (7846). HOWEVER BANDITRY AND STEALING ARE WORRYING THE LOCAL POPULATION.

(2) THE COMMUNE HAS STARTED TO HAVE THE OCL-RETURNEES SIGN AN AGREEMENT THAT THEY WILL MOVE OUT FROM OCCUPIED HOUSES WHEN THE OWNER(S) ARE COMING BACK. ONLY SOME OCCUPANTS HAVE ACCEPTED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT BUT IT IS AN ENCOURAGING SIGN.

(3) COMMUNE CACHOT:

80 (74/24 OCT 95)

GENOCIDE 69

ARRESTS FOR COMMON CRIMES
HAVE INCREASED.

RETURNEES:

19 ZAIRE OCL END OF SEPTEMBER

(4) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED RUTOBWE COMMUNE (7781). THE SITUATION IS SAID TO BE CALM. THE TEAM WAS ON A SPECIFIC TASK OF FINDING OUT THE EXACT NUMBER OF RETURNEES. IT WAS CONFIRMED THAT THE NUMBER IS 72.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST THREE SITREPS, THE REMERA-RUKOMA HOSPITAL IS REQUESTING A WATER TANK TO EASE THE MAJOR PROBLEMS OF WATER AT THE HOSPITAL. A BLADDER COULD BE USED AND WOULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR THIS HOSPITAL COVERING AN AREA COUNTING 200 000 PEOPLE.

C. IPJ OF TABA COMMUNE REQUESTS ONE TRUCK TO CONVEY EIGHT PRISONERS TO RUHENGARI ASAP.

D. INDBATT IS KINDLY REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A TRUCK FOR THE TASK AT PARA 5B.

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5. CIVIL AFFAIRS.

A. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1467, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1208 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

B. THE MUSAMBIRA NEW BOURGMESTRE WILL MOVE HIS FURNITURE FROM GITARAMA TO MUSAMBIRA ON SATURDAY 18 NOV 95 AND THE PREFET HAS ASKED THAT UNAMIR PROVIDE ONE TRUCK FOR THIS TASK.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS. AS DISCUSSED WITH MR MORRIS, THE B&R SECURITY OFFICER, THE SECT CDR IS AWAITING TO MEET SOMEONE IN B&R TO OFFER SUGGESTIONS ON CUTTING DOWN THE NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE.</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	04
	PRESENT	20

9. MISCELLANEOUS. IT APPEARS THAT THE DATE OF THURSDAY 9 NOV 95 HAS BEEN TENTATIVELY SELECTED FOR THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE ENLARGED GITARAMA PRISON. QUI VIVRA VERRA.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. MY PATROL TODAY WAS AN EYE OPENER IN TERM OF REALIZING HOW THE POPULATION IS MISTRUSTING THE RPA BECAUSE OF THEFTS AND KILLINGS DONE BY "UNIFORMED MEN", MOST OF THE TIME COMING FROM OTHER PREFECTURES, WHO SEEM TO BE HIRED BY CIVILIANS. THIS MERCENARY KIND OF ACTION IS TURNING INTO THE MOST IMPORTANT INSECURITY COMPONENT IN THIS PREFECTURE AND PERHAPS IN THE COUNTRY. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THIS QUESTION BE DISCUSSED AT HIGHER LEVELS.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: [REDACTED]
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI ✓
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT ✓
95 CMSG ✓
BROWN AND ROOT

DATE: 31 OCT 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 301800 OCT TO 311800 OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
- B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.
- B. MILITARY

(1) RPA

(A) THE RPA LN OFFR AND THE RPA BDE CDR CONFIRMED TODAY THAT THE THEFT THAT HAPPENED IN MUSAMBIRA (8274) WAS OF 5 MILLIONS RWF.

(B) THIS SECTOR IS ATTEMPTING TO BETTER RELATIONS WITH THE LOCAL RPA POLITICAL COMMISSAR. ACCORDINGLY, WE HAVE TRANSPORTED HIM TO NYABIKENKE TODAY FOR A MEETING HE HAS TO ATTEND. IN EXCHANGE, ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO HAVE HIM BRIEF THE OFFICERS OF THIS SECTOR SOME TIME NEXT WEEK. THE INFLUENCE OF THIS OFFICER, CAPT HERBERT, WHO IS A "PROTEGE" OF KAGAME IS AT LEAST EQUAL TO THAT OF A BDE CDR.

(C) THE SECT CDR'S DINNER WITH THE RPA BDE CDR HAS BEEN DELAYED

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UNTIL THURSDAY, 2 NOV 95.

(2) FREG. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. IT CANNOT BE ASCERTAINED WHETHER THE GASOLINE THIEVES WILL BE PROSECUTED BY THE IPJ WHO IS OBVIOUSLY NOT COMFORTABLE WITH DELIVERING A "SUMMONS" TO THE TWO INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN THE HOUSE CONTROLLED BY COL NGOGA AND "PROTECTED" BY A LARGE NUMBER OF RPA SOLDIERS. AS REPORTED BY THIS HQ YESTERDAY, THIS SITUATION COULD LEAD TO SOME RETALIATION FROM THE RPA SIDE AND THERE IS NO INTENTION TO PUSH THE ISSUE FURTHER. THE MATTER IS IN THE HANDS OF THE RWANDESE JUSTICE SYSTEM.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED TABA COMMUNE (8883) AND RUNDA (9882). SITUATION IN TABA IS TENSE TO A LARGE NUMBER OF ARRESTS, OFTEN SEEN AS ARBITRARY BY THE POPULATION. THIS IS THE COMMUNE WHERE A "WANTED" LIST OF 400 NAMES WAS HEARD OF. BANDITRY ACTIVITIES ARE ALSO ON THE RISE. FOR INSTANCE, THE TEAM BROUGHT BACK AN EXAMPLE OF MOCK RIFFLES MADE OF BAMBOO AND BANANA LEAVES WHICH ARE USED AT NIGHT BY BANDITS. THIS PARTICULAR ARTIFACT, WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOUR HQ, WAS DROPPED BY SOME BANDITS WHO WERE DAZZLED BY THE EXPLOSION OF A GRENADE THROWN BY A LOCAL WHO DEFENDED HIS PROPERTY.

(2) IN RUNDA COMMUNE, THE SITUATION IS SAID TO BE CALM

(3) A SECOND TEAM WENT TO MASANGO COMMUNE (6254) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. HOWEVER IN RWESORO SECTOR (5454), ON 28 OCT 95. TEN BANDITS BELIEVED TO BE INTERHAMWE ARMED WITH MACHETES THREATENED TO HACK AND BEAT UP LOCALS. THE VICTIMS LOST 3500 FRW AND THREE COWS TO THE BANDITS. THE BANDITS ARE SUSPECTED TO HAVE COME FROM GIKONGORO SECTOR.

(4) COMMUNE CACHOT 250 (235/17 OCT 95) GENOCIDE 249.

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(5) THE STANDBY TEAM WAS SENT TO TAMBWE COMMUNE (7653) AND INVESTIGATED THE ROBBERY ON THE RUHANGO HEALTH CENTER ON 29 OCT 95. IT APPEARS THAT THE CENTER HAD RECEIVED THE MONEY FOR THE SALARY OF WORKERS ON 28 OCT. THE FIVE THIEVES (TWO WERE UNIFORMED AND ARMED AND ONE IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES WAS ALSO ARMED) SIMULATED THAT A PATIENT HAD TO BE SEEN AROUND 1900 HRS. THE SENTRY REFUSED THEM THE ENTRANCE AND THE THIEVES THREATENED AND FORCED HIM TO SHOW THEM WHERE THE SISTER (BELIEVED TO BE POLISH) WAS SLEEPING. UNDER THE THREAT OF GUNS, THE SISTER GAVE 150 000 FRW, A CAMERA, A RADIO-CASSETTE AND THREE RADIOS.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE BOURGMESTRE APPEALED FOR DONORS TO RECONSTRUCT SIX GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS' HOUSES DESTROYED DURING THE WAR.

B. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, THE REMERA-RUKOMA HOSPITAL IS REQUESTING A WATER TANK TO EASE THE MAJOR PROBLEMS OF WATER AT THE HOSPITAL. A BLADDER COULD BE USED AND WOULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR THIS HOSPITAL COVERING AN AREA COUNTING 200 000 PEOPLE.

C. IPI OF TABA COMMUNE REQUESTS ONE TRUCK TO CONVEY PRISONERS TO RUHENGERI ASAP

D. INDBATT IS KINDLY REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A TRUCK FOR THE TASK AT PARA 5B.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS.

A. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1395, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1189 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

B. THE MUSAMBIRA NEW BOURGMESTRE WILL MOVE HIS FURNITURE FROM GITARAMA TO MUSAMBIRA ON SATURDAY 18 NOV 95 AND THE PREFET HAS ASKED THAT UNAMIR PROVIDE ONE TRUCK FOR THIS TASK.

C. IN DISCUSSION WITH THE PREFET, THE SECT CDR GATHERED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SETTLEMENT OF LAND AND HOUSE DISPUTES:

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(1) AUTHORITY TO SETTLE THESE LAND AND HOUSE DISPUTES HAS BEEN DELEGATED TO THE BOURGMESTRE LEVEL. DOZENS OF CASES HAVE BEEN SOLVED AT THE COMMUNAL LEVEL.

(2) MORE COMPLICATED CASES ARE THOSE INVOLVING HOUSES ON SURVEYED PROPERTIES IN BUILT UP AREAS. APPROXIMATELY SIX SUCH CASES HAVE BEEN SOLVED FOR THE AREAS OF GITARAMA CITY AND RUHANGO AGGLOMERATION BY THE PREFECTURAL COMMISSION WHICH IS COMPOSED OF:

(A) THE SOUS-PREFET FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS (CHAIRMAN);

(B) TWO "CHEFS DE SERVICE", ONE FOR REHABILITATION AND ONE FOR CIVILIAN CONSTRUCTION.

(C) A FOURTH MEMBER WHOM THE PREFET SEEMED RELUCTANT OR INCAPABLE (MEMORY?) OF IDENTIFYING.

(3) THE PREFET EXPLAINED THAT THIS COMMISSION DOES NOT NECESSARILY HAVE TO BE CONVENED IN EACH CASE. SOMETIMES, THE SOUS-PREFET IS DISPATCHED TO A COMMUNE TO SOLVE THE MATTER AT THE COMMUNAL LEVEL. HE REITERATED THE PROBLEM WITH SURVEYED HOUSES AND ADMITTED THAT THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 30 OUTSTANDING CASES WHERE "ILLEGAL" OCCUPANTS HAVE BEEN TOLD TO LEAVE BUT THE HOUSES ARE STILL OCCUPIED. THE PREFET SAID THAT HE WAS AWAITING A GOVERNMENTAL POLICY OR RESOURCES TO ANSWER THE QUESTION THAT THE "ILLEGAL" OCCUPANTS HAVE, THAT IS TO SAY: "WHERE ARE WE SUPPOSED TO GO?".

(4) THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PASSED TO THE UNHCR REP IN GITARAMA WHO IS CLOSELY MONITORING THIS SITUATION WHICH GREATLY INFLUENCES POTENTIAL RETURNEES.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS. AS DISCUSSED WITH MR MORRIS, THE B&R SECURITY OFFICER, THE SECT CDR WOULD LIKE TO MEET SOMEONE IN B&R TO OFFER SUGGESTIONS ON CUTTING DOWN THE NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES.

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

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8. <u>MILOB STATE</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS. THE UNHCR GITARAMA REP HAS INFORMED THIS HQ THAT A DELEGATION OF REFUGEES IN BURUNDI WAS GOING TO VISIT THE PREFECTURE IN THE SECOND WEEK OF NOVEMBER. IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT THE DELEGATION WANTS TO VISIT NTONGWE (9057) COMMUNE, THE COMMUNE WHERE A LOT OF RECENT ARRESTS HAVE TAKEN PLACE SINCE THE ARRIVAL OF A "CLOSE TO BE EXTREMIST" NEW BOURGMESTRE. THE 330 PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT, IF THEY ARE SEEN, ARE GOING TO PROVIDE A PRETTY GRIM PICTURE OF WHAT AWAITS THE POTENTIAL RETURNEES.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THIS SECTOR SEEMS TO BE GOING THROUGH A TRANSITION PHASE. THE RPA IS RELATIVELY CALM AND THE POPULATION IS SHOWING SIGNS OF NERVOUSNESS. MILOBS, HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICERS AND THE UNHCR REP (WHO HAS NOW OPENED AN OFFICE AT THE PETIT SEMINAIRE) ARE WORKING HAND IN HAND TO MONITOR THE SITUATION.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL

COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 30 OCT 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
95 CMSG
BROWN AND ROOT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 291800 OCT TO 301800 OCT 95

1. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.B. BORDERS. NTR.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESA. POLITICAL NTR.B. MILITARY(1) RPA.

(A) THE RPA LN OFFR REPORTED TODAY THAT THEIR INVESTIGATORS HAD BEEN VERY BUSY DURING THE WEEK END INVESTIGATING THE THEFT OF 5 MILLIONS RWF FROM AN ACIST (NGO) VEHICLE TRAVELING FROM CYANGUGU TO KIGALI. THREE UNIFORMED MEN WERE SEEN COMMANDEERING THE VEHICLE IN MUSAMBIRA (8274) AROUND 1300 HRS ON FRIDAY 27 OCT 95. THEY ARE SUSPECTING THE DRIVER WHO HAS BEEN ARRESTED TO ANSWER QUESTIONS BY THE GENDARMERIE IN KIGALI.

(B) LT-COL KAYONGA HAS STARTED USING A "SECOND-IN-COMMAND" SIGNATURE BLOCK FOR HIS UNCLEAR STATUS WITHIN THE 305 RPA BDE.

(2) FRFG. NTR.

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(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. AS REPORTED YESTERDAY CONCERNING THE GASOLINE THIEVES, THE MEETING WITH THE BROWN AND ROOT SECURITY OFFICER, THE IPJ, CIVPOL AND UNAMIR MPs TOOK PLACE TODAY. B&R SECURITY OFFICER FIRED THE TWO WORKERS. THE IPJ TOOK THE DECLARATION OF WITNESSES. THE ALLEGED THIEVES HAVE YET TO GIVE THEIR DECLARATION SINCE THEY TOOK OFF AS SOON AS THEY LEARNT OF THEIR DISMISSAL. THE IPJ IS OBVIOUSLY NOT COMFORTABLE WITH DELIVERING A "SUMMONS" TO THE TWO INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN THE HOUSE CONTROLLED BY COL NGOGA AND "PROTECTED" BY A LARGE NUMBER OF RPA SOLDIERS. THIS SITUATION COULD LEAD TO SOME RETALIATION.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE TAMBWE (7652), SECTORS NYAMAGANA (7453), BUHORO (7558) AND TAMBWE (7956). SITUATION CALM, HOWEVER THERE ARE CASES OF BANDITRY ACTIVITIES.

(2) LAST NIGHT, BANDITS RAIDED THE RUHANGO HEALTH CENTER AND ROBBED DRUGS AND MONEY. AS THE IPJ JUST STARTED THE INVESTIGATION, NO DETAILS WERE YET AVAILABLE. A TEAM WILL FOLLOW UP TOMORROW.

(3) ACCORDING TO THE BOURGMESTRE'S STATEMENT, THERE IS NO CURFEW BUT THE RPA CDR IS STATING THERE IS A CURFEW (2200 HRS TO SUNRISE) AND RPA NIGHT PATROLS.

(4) NO LDF ESTABLISHED, BUT LOCAL POPULATION IS CARRYING OUT PATROLS TO MINIMIZE BANDITRY ACTIVITIES.

(5) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED COMMUNE KAYENZI (8389), SECTORS KIRWA (8591), MARENGA (8091), BUGARAMA (8589) AND BITARE (8383). SITUATION GENERALLY CALM, EXCEPT INCREASING CATTLE RUSTLING THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNE.

(6) BUGARAMA SECTOR FACES BANDITRY ACTIVITIES FROM TABA COMMUNE PEOPLE. ON 27 OCT 95, A BUSINESSMAN WAS ROBBED BY BANDITS OF 68.000.- FRW. THE BANDITS ARE SAID TO BE ARMED WITH MACHETES BUT NO FIRE ARMS.

(7) RPA IS NOT COOPERATIVE IN THIS COMMUNE AND THE MATTER WILL BE

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TAKEN WITH THE RPA BDE CDR (ONCE AGAIN).

COMMENT: RELIABLE LOCAL SOURCES STATED THAT THEY GOT KNOWLEDGE OF A GOVERNMENT PLAN TO ELIMINATE INTELLECTUAL HUTUS, WHO HAVE THE POTENTIAL OF BECOMING FUTURE LEADERS. THEY REFERRED TO SOME INCIDENTS IN TABA AND RUNDA COMMUNE.

CACHOT: 156 (143/23 OCT) 137 GENOCIDE

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. 95 CMSG WILL CARRY OUT THE WORK TO BE DONE TO THE MUSAMBIRA CONTAINER WHICH WILL BE MOVED TO THE GITARAMA MARKET ON 5 NOV 95.

B. AS REQUESTED YESTERDAY, THE REMERA-RUKOMA HOSPITAL IS REQUESTING A WATER TANK TO EASE THE MAJOR PROBLEMS OF WATER AT THE HOSPITAL. A BLADDER COULD BE USED AND WOULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR THIS HOSPITAL COVERING AN AREA COUNTING 200 000 PEOPLE.

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5. CIVIL AFFAIRS.

A. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE 26 AUG 95 IN SECTOR 1B IS 1395, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1189 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

B. THE MUSAMBIRA NEW BOURGMESTRE WILL MOVE HIS FURNITURE FROM GITARAMA TO MUSAMBIRA ON SATURDAY 18 NOV 95 AND THE PREFET HAS ASKED THAT UNAMIR PROVIDE ONE TRUCK FOR THIS TASK.

C. THE PREFECTURE STATISTICIAN IS PLANNING A VISIT TO ALL COMMUNES STARTING MONDAY, 6 NOV 95 AND MILOBS WILL TAKE HIM ON PATROL AS PART OF THE REGULAR PATROL PLAN.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

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7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	00
	SERVICEABLE	07

8. <u>MILOB STATE</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT YOUR UNAMIR DAILY INFOSUM BE MORE SPECIFIC AS TO WHICH SECTOR (A, B OR C) IN SECTOR 5 THE VARIOUS INCIDENTS ARE HAPPENING. THIS MAKES A DIFFERENCE FOR SECTOR 1B SINCE WE ARE SHARING A BORDER WITH ALL THESE SECTORS AND THERE IS NO WAY OF FINDING OUT WHERE THESE KILLINGS (FOR EXAMPLE 26 OCT 95 PARA 3) HAVE TAKEN PLACE.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I HAVE INVITED THE RPA BDE CDR TO DINNER TOMORROW NIGHT. THIS WILL BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THE POTENTIAL REACTION TO THE FIRING OF THE TWO "RPA PROTECTED" WORKERS. MORE TO FOLLOW.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL

COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ

DATE: 28 OCT 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ
KIGALIINFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
95 CMSG
BROWN AND ROOTSITREP COVERING
PERIOD 271800 OCT TO 281800 OCT 951. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.B. BORDERS. NTR.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESA. POLITICAL NTR.B. MILITARY(1) RPA. SEE PARA 3.A. AND 9.(2) FREG. NTR.(3) OTHERS. NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIESA. SECTOR HQ.

(1) A CASE OF THEFT OF FUEL BY LOCAL EMPLOYEES HAS BEEN DETECTED TODAY AROUND 1400 HRS. B&R HAS BEEN INFORMED AND THEIR SECURITY OFFICER WILL BE AT THIS HQ ON MONDAY MORNING (30 OCT 95). AN IPJ HAS BEEN SEIZED OF THE MATTER AND WILL ALSO ATTEND THE MONDAY MORNING MEETING. THE CASE IS FURTHER COMPLICATED BY THE FACT THAT ONE OF

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THE TWO ALLEGED THIEVES IS THE BROTHER OF COL NGOGA (RPA) AND ONE RPA SOLDIER WAS "IN LOCATION" DURING THE THEFT. THE INDIAN SERGEANT NCO WHO SPOTTED THE ACTION HAS BEEN CONGRATULATED FOR HIS VIGILANCE AND EXCELLENT REACTION.

(2) THE SECT CDR WILL BE IN KIGALI TOMORROW FROM 1000 HRS TO 1600 HRS.

B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE NTONGWE (8957), SECTORS KINAZI (8958) AND RUTABO (9455). SITUATION CALM, EXCEPT FEW CASES OF BANDITRY AND STEALING. AFTER 8 ARRESTS OF BANDITS, THEFTS ARE ON THE DECREASE.

(2) THE LOCAL POPULATION IS ORGANIZING AN LDF AT NYABUTARE, GIKOMA AND NTONGWE SECTORS.

(3) ARRESTS OF GENOCIDE SUSPECTED INDIVIDUALS HAS INCREASED (35 IN THE LAST 10 DAYS), IT IS BELIEVED BECAUSE OF THE CHANGE OF BOURGMESTRE. HR WILL FOLLOW UP.

CACHOT: 375 (331/18 OCT) 362 GENOCIDE

(4) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED COMMUNE BULINGA (6679), SECTORS REMERA (6380), MUSENYI (6279), RUGENDABALI (6685) AND BULINGO (6477). SITUATION GENERALLY CALM. IN RUGENDABALI SECTOR, A PSYCHOTIC OR DISTURBED MAN KILLED ONE OF HIS SISTER-IN-LAW AND CHOPPED THE EAR OF ANOTHER ONE.

4. **HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.** TOMORROW A RECCE TEAM OF 95 CMSG WILL SURVEY THE WORK TO BE DONE TO THE MUSAMBIRA CONTAINER WHICH COULD BE MOVED TO THE GITARAMA MARKET AT A LATER DATE.

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS.** AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1187 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. **BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES.** NA.

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7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	00
	SERVICEABLE	07

8. <u>MILOB STATE.</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS. THIS MAY BE A TRICKY GAME BUT SOME OBSERVERS HAVE NOTICED THAT THE RPA HAS BEEN MOVING AROUND AN EVER INCREASING CATTLE HERD AROUND THE GITARAMA PREFECTURE. IT COULD BE TEMPTING TO LINK THIS INCREASE TO CATTLE THEFTS THAT HAVE RECENTLY HAPPENED. NO HARD EVIDENCE ARE AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT SUCH AN "INSINUATION". IT IS DEEMED ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO PURSUE THIS MATTER AT THIS LEVEL. HOWEVER, THIS INFORMATION COULD BE USEFUL TO YOU TO ASSESS THIS POTENTIAL PROBLEM WHICH WOULD CERTAINLY AFFECT OTHER SECTORS.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THE DAY GUARD TODAY HAS BEEN VERY USEFUL IN CHASING ONE OF THE TWO DAY THIEVES WHO TRIED TO GO AWAY WITH GAS. HE COULD NOT GET A HOLD OF HIM BECAUSE THE THIEF USED STONES TO KEEP HIM AWAY. THE FSO IS THANKED FOR ALLOWING US TO ALSO HAVE A GUARD DURING THE DAY.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ

DATE: 29 OCT 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ
KIGALIINFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT ✓
95 CMSG ✓
BROWN AND ROOT ✓SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 281800 OCT TO 291800 OCT 951. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.B. BORDERS. NTR.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESA. POLITICAL. NTR.B. MILITARY(1) RPA. NTR.(2) FREG. NTR.(3) OTHERS. NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIESA. SECTOR HQ. NTR.B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE TABA (8885), SECTORS KAMONYI (8989) AND

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KARANGARA (8790). SITUATION CALM, EXCEPT SOME CASES OF BANDITRY ACTIVITIES AT BUGULI SECTOR (9083). RPA IS SAYING THEY PERFORM PATROLS.

(2) SINCE LAST WEEK ALSO IN THIS COMMUNE ARRESTS OF GENOCIDE ACCUSED PERSONS HAVE INCREASED. HR WILL FOLLOW UP.

CACHOT: 161 (133/18 OCT) 145 GENOCIDE

(3) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUSHUBATI (6970), SECTORS GIKOMERO (6572), GATIKABISI (6672), MWAKA (6669) AND REMERA (7171). SITUATION GENERALLY CALM.

(4) IN GATIKABISI SECTOR, THERE ARE DISPUTES BETWEEN THE LOCAL PEOPLE OVER DESTROYED HOUSES AND CONFISCATED PROPERTY OF THOSE WHO CAME BACK. THE LOCAL POPULATION AGREED ON A CURFEW TO MINIMIZE BANDITRY ACTIVITIES.

(5) IN MWAKA SECTOR, LAST TUESDAY, A LARGER NUMBER (EXACT FIGURES UNKNOWN) OF PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED BY RPA AND LOCAL OFFICIALS. THEY ARE SUSPECTED BOTH GENOCIDE AND COMMON CRIMES.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.

A. A RECCE TEAM OF 95 CMSG SURVEYED TODAY THE WORK TO BE DONE TO THE MUSAMBIRA CONTAINER WHICH COULD BE MOVED TO THE GITARAMA MARKET AT A LATER DATE, MOST LIKELY ON 5 NOV 95.

B. THE REMERA-RUKOMA HOSPITAL IS REQUESTING A WATER TANK TO EASE THE MAJOR PROBLEMS OF WATER AT THE HOSPITAL. A BLADDER COULD BE USED AND WOULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR THIS HOSPITAL COVERING 200 000 PEOPLE.

C. IPJ OF TABA COMMUNE REQUESTS ONE TRUCK TO CONVEY PRISONERS TO RUHENGARI ASAP.

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS.** AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1187 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. **BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES.** NA.

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7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	00
	SERVICEABLE	07

8. <u>MILOB STATE.</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS. TOMORROW, THERE WILL BE A MEETING WITH THE BROWN AND ROOT SECURITY OFFICER AND THE TWO WORKERS WHO WERE CAUGHT STEALING GAZOLINE ON SATURDAY 28 OCT 95. AN IPJ WILL BE PRESENT.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. TOMORROW THE TWO FRENCH SPEAKING CANADIAN MILOBS FROM THIS SECTOR WILL BE HOLDING THEIR BREATH AWAITING TO SEE THE RESULT OF THE REFERENDUM WHICH WILL DETERMINE WHETHER THEY HAVE A UNITED COUNTRY TO GO BACK TO ONCE THEIR MISSION IS FINISHED IN RWANDA.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ

DATE: 27 OCT 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ
KIGALIINFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
95 CMSGSITREP COVERING
PERIOD 261800 OCT TO 271800 OCT 951. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.B. BORDERS. NTR.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESA. POLITICAL. NTR.B. MILITARY(1) RPA. NTR.(2) ERFG. NTR.(3) OTHERS. NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIESA. SECTOR HQ. NTR.B. TEAMS

(1) ONE TEAM VISITED COMMUNE RUTOBWE (7781), SECTORS SHANDA (7680), GATOVU (7479) AND CYEZA ORPHANAGE (7777). SITUATION CALM, EXCEPT FOR BANDITRY BY PEOPLE WHO ARE BELIEVED TO COME FROM MUSAMBIRA AND NYAMABUYE COMMUNES (MAJORITY CATTLE THEFT). THEREFORE, THE LOCAL

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POPULATION HAS ORGANIZED ITSELF FOR NIGHT PATROLS TO APPREHEND THE ROBBERS, BELIEVED TO BE RETURNEES LOCATED IN THE MENTIONED SECTORS. 3 SUSPECTED RETURNEES HAVE BEEN ARRESTED. MARRIAGE CEREMONY FOR 26 COUPLES AT COMMUNE OFFICE, PRESIDED BY THE BOURGMESTRE. THE 17 IMPRISONED FEMALE SECT MEMBERS HAVE BEEN RELEASED UNDER THE CONDITION NOT TO DISTURB THE PUBLIC PEACE ANYMORE.

CACHOT: 84 (121/15 OCT) 77 GENOCIDE

(2) HOUSE RECONSTRUCTION SUPPORTED BY AFXB AND CARITAS IS ONGOING, 50 HOUSES ALREADY COMPLETED. FOR THE WHOLE PROJECT, THE BOURGMESTRE ESTIMATES A TWO YEAR TERM. ALSO, WATER POINT REHABILITATION IS CONTINUING.

(3) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED COMMUNE MUSHUBATI (6970), SECTORS KADUNA (6269), CURIKO (6066), NTONGWE (6265) AND GISHWEM CLINIC (6265). SITUATION GENERALLY CALM, EXCEPT IN NTONGWE SECTOR WHERE ON 24 OCT 95, BETWEEN 1900 AND 2000 HRS, A GROUP OF SIX BANDITS (TWO IN UNIFORM, ONE OF THEM ARMED AND FOUR IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES) ROBBED FIVE DIFFERENT PEOPLE ON THEIR WAY FROM THE MARKET TO THEIR HOUSES. THE THIEVES ESCAPED WITH 12.700, 14.000, 20.000 FRW, ONE RADIO AND ONE BICYCLE.

(4) THE GISHWEM CLINIC HAS NO DOCTOR, ONLY ONE MEDICAL ASSISTANT AND FOUR AUXILIARIES. THE GOVERNMENT DID NOT PAY THEIR SALARY.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST THREE SITREPS, THIS HQ HOPES TO HAVE A CONFIRMATION THAT THE MUSAMBIRA CONTAINER WILL BE MOVED TO THE GITARAMA MARKET ON NEXT SUNDAY, 29 OCT 95. THE CONFIRMATION IS URGENTLY REQUIRED TO ALLOW ALL LIAISONS TO TAKE PLACE BEFOREHAND.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1187 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT. SOME DISTORTED UNCONFIRMED STATISTICS HAVE COME FROM RUTOBWE COMMUNE BUT IT IS SUSPECTED THAT INFLATED NUMBERS HAVE BEEN USED TO OBTAIN MORE HUMANITARIAN HELP. MORE TO FOLLOW.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

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7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	00
	SERVICEABLE	07

8. <u>MILOB STATE.</u>	POSTED	24
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. RUMORS ARE RAMPANT CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF A "STATE OF THE UNION" KIND OF MESSAGE BE PASSED TO THIS HQ, EVEN IF IT IS TO ONLY LEARN THAT NO PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS IN NEW YORK OR KIGALI. THIS WAY, I WILL BE IN A GOOD POSITION TO OFFICIALLY LABEL RUMORS AS RUMORS AND TO TELL EVERYONE THAT WE ARE BEING KEPT ABREAST OF ALL DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING THE MANDATE RENEWAL. YOUR HELP IS APPRECIATED.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

DATE: 25 OCT 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 241800 OCT TO 251800 OCT 95

1. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.B. BORDERS. NTR.**2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES**A. POLITICAL NTR.B. MILITARY(1) RPA. SEE PARA 3.B.(3).(2) FREG. NTR.(3) OTHERS. NTR.**3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES**

A. SECTOR HQ. TODAY THIS HQ HELD THE SEMINAR AS PLANNED (REFERENCE TO OUR LETTER DATED 18 OCT 95). THE SEMINAR WAS DEEMED A SUCCESS AS MILOBS CONTRIBUTED TO DISCUSSIONS WHICH WILL GO A LONG WAY IN IMPROVING PATROL PLANNING, HUMANITARIAN WORK COORDINATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF RELATIONS WITH RPA, LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND THE POPULATION AT LARGE. WHAT REMAINS TO BE SEEN ARE THE FRUITS OF THE SEMINAR.

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(1) NO MILOB TEAM VISITED ANY COMMUNE TODAY DUE TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED SEMINAR.

(2) HOWEVER CIVPOL VISITED NYAMABUYE COMMUNE (7570) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT, THERE ARE 143 PRISONERS (INCREMENT OF 23, OUT OF WHICH 21 ARE GENOCIDE RELATED, SINCE 14 OCT 95).

(3) THE SECT CDR MET WITH MONSEIGNEUR SIBOMANA AND DISCUSSED WITH HIM THE TRIPARTITE MEETING TO TAKE PLACE WITH COL NDEGEYINKA AND LT-COL KAYONGA. HE AGREED TO THE MEETING IN PRINCIPLE AND WILL WAIT TO BE CONTACTED BY THESE SENIOR RPA OFFICERS.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.

A. THE REQUESTED TRANSPORT OF CHEMICALS FOR THE GITARAMA WATER TREATMENT PLAN HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED BY INDBATT TODAY. THEIR FLEXIBILITY IN HANDLING THIS LAST MINUTE REQUEST SHOULD BE COMMENDED. ELECTROGAZ HAS BEEN WARNED TO DO BETTER STOCK PLANNING.

B. AS DISCUSSED WITH 95 CMSG LOG OPS YESTERDAY, THIS HQ HOPES TO HAVE A CONFIRMATION THAT THE MUSAMBIRA CONTAINER WILL BE MOVED TO THE GITARAMA MARKET ON NEXT SUNDAY, 29 OCT 95. THE CONFIRMATION IS REQUIRED TO ALLOW ALL LIAISONS TO TAKE PLACE BEFOREHAND.

C. FATHER VJEKO, THE ACCOUNTANT FOR THE DIOCESE HAS BEEN CONTACTED WITH REFERENCE TO THE DAMAGED MASANGO ACCOMMODATION MADE MY MALI TROOPS AND HE HAS CONFIRMED THAT THE PAYMENT SHOULD BE TO HIM. THE FSO SHOULD BE MADE AWARE OF THIS.

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS.** AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1177 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. **BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES.** NA.

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7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	00
	SERVICEABLE	07

8. MILOB STATE . THIS SECTOR WAS PLEASED TO LEARN THAT LT (N) GIGUERE WAS POSTED TO THIS HQ. WE ARE EXPECTING HIM TOMORROW.

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	04
PRESENT	19

9. MISCELLANEOUS.

A. THIS HQ WILL HOST A DELEGATION FROM CANADA TOMORROW. AN ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO VISIT THE GITARAMA PRISON

B. AN NGO HAS REQUESTED FROM US A MAP OF AREAS WHICH ARE DANGEROUS FOR MINES IN RWANDA. IT IS REQUESTED THAT SUCH A RWANDA MAP BE PROVIDED SO THAT LOCAL NGOs BE INFORMED OF THE DANGER.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. SEMINAR DAY WAS EXCELLENT. HIGHLY RECOMMENDED EXERCISE FOR ANY SECTOR.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
95 CMSG

DATE: 24 OCT 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 231800 OCT TO 241800 OCT 95

1. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.B. BORDERS. NTR.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESA. POLITICAL NTR.B. MILITARY(1) RPA. NTR.

(2) FRFG. NUMEROUS LOCALS (2 TO 3 IN FOUR SECTORS) HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY WERE AFRAID OF GOING OUT AT NIGHT BECAUSE OF INTERHAMWE ACTIVITY.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR MET THE HEAD OF THE ICRC IN GITARAMA AND HAS COORDINATED THE WORK THAT HAS BEEN PERFORMED BY 95 CMSG AT THE BRIDGE THAT LEADS TO THE GITARAMA WATER PUMPING STATION NEAR KABGAYI. THE WORK PARTY, COMPOSED OF MCPL RINGUETTE AND CPL DOVE SHOULD BE CONGRATULATED FOR THEIR EXCELLENT WORK. THEIR EXPERTISE AND CONCERN FOR SAFETY IN MOVING LARGE STEEL BEAMS WILL GREATLY FACILITATE THE COMPLETION OF THE WORK REQUIRED AT THE BRIDGE SITE.

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B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED KAYENZI COMMUNE (8389), NYAMIREMBE SECTOR (8187), MUGANZA SECTOR (8586) AND BITARE SECTOR (8383).

SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS COMPLAINTS ABOUT CATTLE AND MONEY THEFT

SITUATION CALM INFO BY BOURGMESTRE AND IPJ

CACHOT: 143 (147/16 OCT) 122 GENOCIDE

COMMENT: LOCALS DO NOT CONFIRM THAT RPA IS INVOLVED IN THEFTS EVEN THOUGH THE THIEVES (IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING) ARE PRETENDING TO BE RPA AND ORDERING THE LOCALS TO STAY IN THEIR HOUSES WHILE THE COWS WERE TAKEN AWAY.

- (2) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED KIGOMA COMMUNE (7649), NGWA SECTOR (7247) AND BUTARE SECTOR (7550).

SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS

SITUATION CALM INFO BY BOURGMESTRE

A GROUP OF THIEVES, PARTIALLY ARMED AND UNIFORMED, HAVE ROBBED THE CHIEF OF NYAMAZI CELLULE ON 22 OCT 95 2200 HRS AND ESCAPED WITH 160.000 FRW. TWO SUSPECTS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED SO FAR AND THE INVESTIGATIONS BY THE IPJ IS ONGOING.

CACHOT: 74 (67/16 OCT) 71 FOR GENOCIDE.

RETURNEES:	13 ZAIRE	OCL	AS OF 30 SEP 95	NO ACCN AVAILABLE
	05 BURUNDI	OCL	AS OF 30 SEP 95	NO ACCN AVAILABLE
	01 UGANDA	OCL	AS OF 30 SEP 95	NO ACCN AVAILABLE
	03 ZAIRE	NCL	16 OCT 95	

NGWA SECT: 16 OCT 95, ONE MAN INJURED BY A GROUP OF UNIFORMED AND ARMED MEN.

COMMENT: RPA NOT COOPERATIVE
LOCALS ARE VERY SCARED OF RPA.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURE TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

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B. THE GITARAMA PREFET VISITED THIS HQ AND REQUESTED UNAMIR'S HELP TO REPAIR POWER LINES WHICH WERE BROKEN BY THE FALL OF TREES CUT DOWN NEAR THE GITARAMA PRISON TODAY AT 1000 HRS. HE DID NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THE HELP REQUEST AND HE WILL GET DETAILS FROM ELECTROGAZ TOMORROW. THE ESTIMATION IS THAT GITARAMA PREFECTURE COULD BE WITHOUT POWER FOR MORE THAN THREE DAYS IF NO SUPPLEMENTARY HELP IS GIVEN TO ELECTROGAZ. THIS IS AN ADVANCED WARNING FOR A HELP REQUEST.

C. AS DISCUSSED WITH 95 CMSG LOG OPS TODAY, THIS HQ HOPES TO HAVE A CONFIRMATION THAT THE MUSAMBIRA CONTAINER WILL BE MOVED TO THE GITARAMA MARKET ON NEXT SUNDAY, 29 OCT 95. THE CONFIRMATION IS REQUIRED TO ALLOW ALL LIAISONS TO TAKE PLACE BEFOREHAND.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1177 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE</u>	POSTED	23
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	18

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. TOMORROW, THIS SECTOR WILL HOLD A SEMINAR TO REVIEW STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 23 OCT 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
SECTOR 5C - KIBUYE

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 221800 OCT TO 231800 OCT 95

1. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.B. BORDERS. NTR.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESA. POLITICAL NTR.B. MILITARY(1) RPA

(A) THE RPA BDE CDR, COL NDEGEYINKA VISITED THE SECT CDR AND EXPLAINED:

(i) THAT HE WAS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN CLEARING UP THE SITUATION CONCERNING MONSEIGNEUR SIBOMANA. HE WANTS TO HAVE A "TRIPARTITE" MEETING WITH SIBOMANA AND LT-COL KAYONGA, THE FORMER BDE CDR WHO SEEMS TO CONTINUE HIS INVOLVEMENT IN GITARAMA POLITICS (THE SECT CDR WILL MEET SIBOMANA TO SEE IF THIS MEETING'S "AGENDA" WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO HIM).

(ii) THAT HE BELIEVES THAT MOST DESERTERS WHO HAVE CREATED HAVOC IN SOME OF THE GITARAMA COMMUNES AND SECTORS COULD MORE LIKELY BE FROM THE BUTARE PREFECTURE. HE COULD NOT EXPLAIN WHY.

(iii) IN RESPONSE TO A QUERY BY THE SECT CDR, THAT THE ARMY NOW HAS ITS OWN NEWSPAPER CALLED "INGABO" WHICH IS WHAT THEIR ARMY IS TRADITIONALLY CALLED IN KYNIRWANDA OR MORE

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LITERALLY "THE SHIELD". IT IS SOLD IN NEWSPAPER STANDS IN KIGALI AND IS NOT AVAILABLE, HE BELIEVES, IN GITARAMA.

(iv) THAT HE WAS STILL WAITING FOR NEWS OF THE 67 BATTALION WHICH HAS FINISHED ITS TRAINING IN BUTARE AND WHICH IS BEING EQUIPPED AT THIS TIME.

(B) THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER ALSO MET THE SECT CDR AND EXPLAINED THAT THE INVESTIGATION ON THE POISONING OF AN RPA OFFICER IN KIBUYE WAS STILL ONGOING AND THAT INVESTIGATORS WERE ACTUALLY GOING TO THE "GUEST HOUSE" IN KIBUYE, THE PLACE WHERE THE ALLEGEDLY POISONED OFFICER HAD HIS LAST TWO MEALS. THE RPA DOCTOR'S DIAGNOSIS IS THAT THE MAN HAS BEEN POISONED.

(C) AN INFORMANT TOLD THIS HQ THAT "UNREGISTERED" RPA SOLDIERS HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY A LOCAL THIEF TO CONDUCT AN ARMED ROBBERY ON THIS HQ. THE NAME OF THIS MAN IS AVAILABLE AND CIVPOL IS INVESTIGATING. INDIAN NCOS, THE ONLY ARMED PERSONNEL IN THIS HQ, HAVE BEEN WARNED AND HAVE BEEN REQUESTED TO INFORM INDBATT OF THIS POTENTIAL THREAT.

- (2) FREG NTR.
- (3) OTHERS NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR HAS MET MR MASAMBA SECK, THE NEW LEADER OF THE HR TEAM AND FURTHER COORDINATION HAS BEEN PLANNED.

B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED MUKINGI COMMUNE (7160), NYAKABUYE SECTOR (6962), KIMEGELI SECTOR (6860), DUSEGO SECTOR (6462) AND RUTAGARA SECTOR (6560).

SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS

SITUATION CALM INFO BY LPJ

CACHOT: 108 (100/13 OCT) 82 GENOCIDE

- (2) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED RUTOBWE (7781) AND MUGINA COMMUNES (9267).

SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS BOTH COMMUNES

SITUATION CALM INFO BY BOURGMESTRE BOTH COMMUNES

MUGINA: LOCAL AUTHORITIES SHOWED AN UNCOOPERATIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS MILOBS BECAUSE OF RECENTLY BROADCASTED RADIO UNAMIR REPORTS ON THE MISTREATMENT OF PRISONERS IN THE MUGINA CACHOT. IT IS

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REQUESTED THAT THE INFORMATION BROADCASTED BE EXPLAINED TO THIS HQ SO THAT WE CAN CLARIFY THE SITUATION WITH THE AUTHORITIES (RPA PLATOON/CDR HAVE BEEN CHANGED AND THE NEW ONES ARE COOPERATIVE). IN THE CACHOT: 220 (190/09 OCT) - 200 FOR GENOCIDE. AUTHORITIES REQUESTED TPT FOR 12 PRISONERS TO THEIR HOME PREFECTURES.

COMMENT: MISSIONARY SISTERS IN MUGINA STATED SECURITY SITUATION HAS IMPROVED. TUTSI BLACKMAILING HUTU TO GET MONEY FROM THEM IN RETURN OF NOT BEING ACCUSED OF BEING GENOCIDAIRES. SISTERS DO NOT BELIEVE IN RECONCILIATION.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURE TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

B. THE NGO "CONCERN" HAS ISSUED A PROGRAM AIMING AT FEEDING PRISONERS IN FOUR COMMUNES CACHOT WITH LARGE POPULATION (MURAMA, MASANGO, NTONGWE AND MUGINA). PROGRAM COULD START IN ONE OR TWO WEEK.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1155 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. <u>MILOB STATE</u>	POSTED	23
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	18

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. THIS HQ ACKNOWLEDGES THAT "UN WORLD WIDE SYSTEM", REPRESENTED IN NAIROBI, IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR VEHICLES IN RWANDA. THE PARQUET IN GITARAMA WILL BE GIVEN THIS INFO TO COMPLETE THEIR FILES.

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B. IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN ANY INFORMATION FROM THE ENGINEER AT THE GITARAMA PRISON WHO NOW HAS TO ADD WATCH TOWERS FOR THE RPA SOLDIERS. THIS HQ IS PURSUING THE MATTER.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THIS TRIPARTITE MEETING OF SIBOMANA, NDEGEYINKA AND KAYONGA WILL PROVE VERY INTERESTING AND COULD YIELD POSITIVE RESULTS.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: [REDACTED]

DATE: 22 OCT 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALIINFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATTSITREP COVERING
PERIOD 211800 OCT TO 221800 OCT 951. SITUATIONA. GENERAL. CALM.
B. BORDERS. NTR.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESA. POLITICAL NTR.
B. MILITARY (1) RPA NTR.
(2) FREG NTR.
(3) OTHERS NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIESA. SECTOR HQ NTR.B. TEAMS(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED NYAMABUYE COMMUNE (7470) KIVUMU SECTOR
(7873).SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS
COMMUNE OFFICE CLOSED

COMMENT: BECAUSE OF HEAVY RAIN SECONDARY ROADS WERE NOT ACCESSIBLE.

(2) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED NYABIKENKE COMMUNE (7292).

SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS
COMMUNE OFFICE CLOSEDIPJ: ONE CIVILIAN THREW A GRENADE ON RPA SOLDIERS WHO WANTED TO ARREST
HIM FOR CATTLE THEFT. THE MAN IS STILL AT LARGE.NYABIKENKE CACHOT : 25 (5/10 OCT) 22 GENOCIDE
KYUMBA (SOUS-PREFECTURE) CACHOT: 68 (69/11 SEP) 68 GENOCIDE

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4. **HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.** THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURE TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS.** AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1155 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. **BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES** NA.

7. **LOGISTICS**

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

8. MILOB STATE	POSTED	23
	LEAVE/CTO	05
	PRESENT	18

9. **MISCELLANEOUS.**

A. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST NINE SITREPS, CIVPOL AND HR OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR VEHICLES IN RWANDA. THE PARQUET IN GITARAMA IS INVESTIGATING NUMEROUS ROAD ACCIDENTS INVOLVING UNAMIR VEHICLES AND NEED THIS INFO TO COMPLETE THEIR FILES.

B. FOLLOWING THE RECCE THAT 95 CMSG KINDLY CONDUCTED LAST WEEK OF THE CONTAINER/TRAILER IN THE MUSAMBIRA HILL (825 745) WHICH NEEDS TO BE MOVED TO THE GITARAMA MARKET, THIS HQ IS AWAITING YOUR PLAN OF ACTION. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THIS MISSION BE CONDUCTED ON A SUNDAY BECAUSE OF LIGHT TRAFFIC ON THE ROAD AND AROUND THE MARKET. IF YOUR HQ AGREES FOR NEXT SUNDAY, THIS HQ WILL NEED TO DO LIAISON WITH RPA, CIVILIAN, NGO AND MARKET AUTHORITIES.

10. **SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT.**

A. THE WEEK AHEAD SHOULD BE VERY INTERESTING FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF THE ACTIVITIES TO TAKE PLACE IN KIGALI. THIS SECTOR WILL ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS BUT OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES WILL NOT BE IMPEDED UNLESS YOUR HEADQUARTERS DIRECTS OTHERWISE.

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B. THE HUMAN RIGHT TEAM IN GITARAMA HAS A NEW LEADER AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT WE WILL BRING HIM UP TO SPEED ON THE SITUATION IN THE SECTOR.

C. WEDNESDAY WILL BE A SEMINAR DAY FOR THIS SECTOR SO THAT WE CAN REVIEW OUR STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: [REDACTED]

DATE: 21 OCT 95

TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALIINFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 201800 OCT TO 211800 OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL NTR.
B. MILITARY (1) RPA NTR.
(2) FREG NTR.
(3) OTHERS NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIESA. SECTOR HQ

- (1) THE SECT CDR CAME BACK TODAY FROM THE SECT CDRS' CONFERENCE IN KIBUYE. HE IS LEAVING TO KIGALI AT 1700 HRS TODAY AND WILL RETURN TOMORROW AROUND 1600 HRS.
- (2) REFERRING TO THIS PARA CONCERNING ICRC REPORTED ON 17 OCT 95, WE HAVE COORDINATED WITH ICRC AND INFORMED 95CMMSG TO CARRY OUT THE TASK ON 24 OCT 95, 0900 HRS.

B. TEAMS

- (1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED MURAMA COMMUNE (6749), RUNYAGANDO SECTOR (6845) BWEREMANA SECTOR (6647) AND NKOMERO SECTOR (6648).

SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS

SITUATION CALM INFO BY BOURGMESTRE

ARRESTS: NIL

RETURNEES: ***

CACHOT: 297 (278/28 SEP)

GENOCIDE 249

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RUNYAGANDO: TENSION GROWING BETWEEN FAMILIES BECAUSE OF GOODS WHICH HAVE "CHANGED" OWNERS DURING THE WAR.

BWEREMANA: SELFORGANIZATION TO RECONSTRUCT DESTROYED HOUSES.

COMMENT: 150 PRISONERS DO NOT RECEIVE FOOD FROM THEIR RELATIVES.
BOURGMESTRE HAS BEEN INFORMED BY MILOBS ABOUT BROKEN BRIDGE
ON RUNYAGANDO - NYABIYENGA ROAD (6645)

(2) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED CYESA ORPHANAGE (771 773), GATOVU SECTOR (7479),
SHYANDRA SECTOR (7680), GIKO SECTOR (7883) AND MARA SECTOR (7788).
SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS NOT ENOUGH FARMING IMPLEMENTS
COMMUNE OFFICE CLOSED

ORPHANAGE: THEY HAVE FOUND RELATIVES FOR 12 CHILDREN THIS MONTH.
THEY STATED THAT SECURITY SITUATION HAS IMPROVED.

SHYANDRA: COUNSELLOR ARRESTED LAST WEEK FOR GENOCIDE ACCUSATION (17
OCT), WAS MEMBER OF "COMMUNAL POLICE" BEFORE THE WAR. HR TO
FOLLOW UP.

*** NCL = NEW CASE LOAD (1994) OCL = OLD CASE LOAD (1959/60)

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURE TO VARIOUS
COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

B. IPJ OF TAMBWE COMMUNE REQUESTS HELP FOR THE OVERCROWDED CACHOT.
THERE IS A SECOND CELL WHICH NEEDS 2 DOORS, 3 WINDOWS, BURGLAR BARS AND
REPAIR OF THE ROOF. THAT WILL DOUBLE THE SPACE IN THE CACHOT.
IPJ REQUESTS BURGLAR BARS ALSO FOR HIS OFFICE TO SECURE HIS DOCUMENTS.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF
RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1155 SO FAR. THE
BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY
REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES NA.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

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GENERATOR: MAIN GENERATOR BURNT OUT DUE TO THUNDERSTORM RAIN
YESTERDAY EVENING. HQ DO BEEN INFORMED BY TEL ACCORDINGLY
FOR NECESSARY ACTION. SECTOR RUNS ON BACK-UP GENERATOR.

8.	<u>MILOB STATE</u>	POSTED	23
		LEAVE/CTO	03
		PRESENT	20

9. MISCELLANEOUS. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST EIGHT SITREPS, CIVPOL AND
HR OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR
VEHICLES IN RWANDA. THE PARQUET IN GITARAMA IS INVESTIGATING NUMEROUS
ROAD ACCIDENTS INVOLVING UNAMIR VEHICLES AND NEED THIS INFO TO COMPLETE
THEIR FILES.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. SECTOR 5C IS THANKED AGAIN FOR
THEIR HOSPITALITY IN HOSTING THE CONFERENCE. I FEEL THAT WHEN POSSIBLE
THESE CONFERENCES SHOULD INCLUDE A "SLEEP OVER" SO THAT SECTOR
COMMANDERS HAVE MORE TIME TO GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER AND TO DISCUSS
VARIOUS ISSUES.

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R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL

COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

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FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 20 OCT 95
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 191800 OCT TO 201800 OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.

B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA NTR.
(2) FREG NTR.
(3) OTHERS NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIESA. SECTOR HQ

- (1) THE SECT CDR ATTENDS TODAY THE SECT CDRS CONFERENCE IN KIBUYE.
(2) REFERRING TO THIS PARA CONCERNING ICRC REPORTED ON 17 OCT 95, WE HAVE COORDINATED WITH ICRC AND INFORMED 95CMMSG TO CARRY OUT THE TASK ON 24 OCT 95, 0900 HRS.

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B. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED TAMBWE COMMUNE (7652), MUYUNZWE SECTOR (7959) AND NTENYO SECTOR (7459).

SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS LDF ORGANIZED AND EFFECTIVE

SITUATION CALM INFO BY SECRETARY

ARRESTS:	06 COMMON/NEW	13 RELEASED/OLD	10 OCT 95
RETURNEES:	01 ZAIRE/NCL***		10 OCT 95
CACHOT:	155 (168/10 OCT)	GENOCIDE	140
FOOD DISTRBTN:	13 OCT 95		

MUYUNZWE: 12 OCT 95, LDF TRACED 07 BANDITS (FROM NYAMABUYE COMMUNE / MBUYE SECTOR (8365)), KILLED 02 OF THEM, 05 ARE IN THE CACHOT WAITING FOR THEIR TRANSFER TO NYAMABUYE COMMUNE CACHOT.

COMMENT: ALSO IN THIS COMMUNE RELATIVES HAVE STOPPED TO FEED THE IMPRISONED. IT SEEMS THAT THEY ARE EXPECTING THIS TASK TO BE DONE BY NGO, WHICH ARE ALREADY FEEDING PRISONERS WITHOUT RELATIVES.

(2) ANOTHER TEAM WAS TSKED TO DISTRIBUTE 858 BLANKETS TO VARIOUS ORPHANAGES IN OUR SECTOR AND WAS HIGHLY WELCOME.

*** NCL = NEW CASE LOAD (1994) OCL = OLD CASE LOAD (1959/60)

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURE TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

B. IPJ OF TAMBWE COMMUNE REQUESTS HELP FOR THE OVERCROWDED CACHOT. THERE IS A SECOND CELL WHICH NEEDS 02 DOORS, 03 WINDOWS, BURGLAR BARS AND REPAIR OF THE ROOF. THAT WILL DOUBLE THE SPACE IN THE CACHOT. IPJ REQUESTS BURGLAR BARS ALSO FOR HIS OFFICE TO SECURE HIS DOCUMENTS.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS.

AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1155 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

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6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES NA.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06


8. <u>MILOB STATE</u>	POSTED	23
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	20


9. MISCELLANEOUS

AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST SEVEN SITREPS, CIVPOL AND HR OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR VEHICLES IN RWANDA. THE PARQUET IN GITARAMA IS INVESTIGATING NUMEROUS ROAD ACCIDENTS INVOLVING UNAMIR VEHICLES AND NEED THIS INFO TO COMPLETE THEIR FILES.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT

BANDITRY APPEARS TO BE CARRIED OUT NOT IN THE COMMUNES/SECTORS WHERE THE BANDITS ARE COMING FROM BUT IN AREAS WHICH ARE NEIGHBOURING THEM OR BE EVEN FURTHER AWAY.


R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA



FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 19 OCT 95
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 181800 OCT TO 191800 OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES.

- A. POLITICAL. NTR.

B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA NTR.
(2) FRFG NTR.
(3) OTHERS NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ

(1) THE SECT CDR TODAY AT 1500 HRS HAS LEFT BY ROAD THIS SECTOR FOR THE SECT CDRS CONFERENCE IN KIBUYE TOMORROW.

(2) REFERRING TO THIS PARA CONCERNING ICRC REPORTED ON 17 OCT 95, 95CMMSG HAS SENT A RECCE TEAM TO SURVEY THE TASK AT THE MENTIONED BRIDGE. TASK CAN BE CARRIED OUT, 95CMMSG IS WAITING FOR OUR CO-ORDINATION WITH ICRC TOMORROW.

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B. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED MUSHUBATI COMMUNE (6971), MATA SECTOR (7175), KARAMA SECTOR (7072) AND NYAMYUMBA CLINIC, CHURCH AND SCHOOL.

SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS COMPLAIN CATTLE RUSTLING

SITUATION CALM INFO BY BOURGOMESTRE CATTLE RUSTLING

ARRESTS: 01 GENOCIDE RETURNEE (ZAIRE)

05 COMMON (2) GITARAMA PRISON

RETURNEES: 10 ZAIRE SINCE 01 SEP 95

02 TANZANIA 18 OCT 95

CACHOT: 75 (59) GENOCIDE 41

(2) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED TABA COMMUNE (8883).

SITUATION CALM INFO BY LOCALS

CACHOT: 133 (110/10 OCT 95) GENOCIDE 73

COMMENT: IT SEEMS THAT RELATIVES OF PRISONERS BECOME TIRED TO FEED THEM.

(3) A THIRD TEAM CARRIED OUT A HELI PATROL TO NYAKABANDA COMMUNE (6597)

SITUATION CALM INFO BY BOURGOMESTRE NO INCIDENTS REPORTED

RELIGIOUS SECTS: NO ACTIVITIES AFTER 02 ARRESTED PREVIOUSLY

LOCAL DEFENSE FORCE: ONLY 5 MEN FOR SECURITY OF COMMUNE HQ

RETURNEES: 10 ZAIRE 18 OCT 95

03 ZAIRE 16 OCT 95

CACHOT: 42 (45/13 OCT 95) GENOCIDE 30 CONFIRMED BY HEAD COUNTING

COMMENT: RPA AT THE CACHOT NOT COOPERATIVE (DENY ACCESS AND TALKING TO PRISONERS), ALSO HERE IT SEEMS THAT RELATIVES BECOME TIRED TO FEED THE IMPRISONED.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURE TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

B. THIS HQ HAS RECEIVED 858 BLANKETS FOR DONATION TO LOCAL ORPHANAGES. THE HAC SHOULD BE CONGRATULATED FOR THEIR EFFICIENCY IN MOBILIZING THESE ESSENTIAL RESOURCES.

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5. CIVIL AFFAIRS

AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1154 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES NA.7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:	ON CHARGE	07
	UNDER REPAIR	01
	SERVICEABLE	06

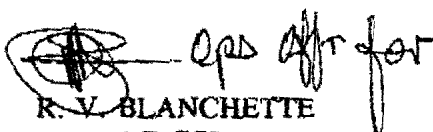
8. <u>MILOB STATE</u>	POSTED	23
	LEAVE/CTO	03
	PRESENT	20

9. MISCELLANEOUS

AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST SIX SITREPS, CIVPOL AND HR OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR VEHICLES IN RWANDA. THE PARQUET IN GITARAMA IS INVESTIGATING NUMEROUS ROAD ACCIDENTS INVOLVING UNAMIR VEHICLES AND NEED THIS INFO TO COMPLETE THEIR FILES.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT.

NO ASSESSMENT, SECT CDR IS ABSENT FOR SECT CDRS CONFERENCE


R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ DATE: 18 OCT 95
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 171800 OCT TO 181800 OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- A. GENERAL. CALM.
B. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. POLITICAL. THE BULINGA (6679) BOURGMESTRE VISITED THE SECT CDR TO ASK FOR HIS SUPPORT TO FIND A JOB IN KIGALI IF HE IS FIRED, AS HE IS EXPECTING TO BE. THE BOURGMESTRE FEELS THAT HIS PERSONAL SECURITY WILL BE THREATENED IF HE REMAINS IN THE PREFECTURE AFTER HIS DISMISSAL.

B. MILITARY

- (1) RPA NTR.
(2) FREG NTR.
(3) OTHERS NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. SECTOR HQ

(1) AS REPORTED YESTERDAY, MR FRANZ (ICRC REPRESENTATIVE OF GITARAMA PREFECTURE) REPORTED THAT THE BRIDGE ON THE MUKINGI - MUSHUBA ROAD (704 622) HAS COLLAPSED. HE IS REQUESTING A CRANE (A TRUCK MOUNTED ONE IS SUFFICIENT) TO REMOVE THE RUBBLE AT THE SITE, SO THAT THE ICRC CAN COMMENCE THE RECONSTRUCTION WORK.

THIS IS AN URGENT REQUEST.

(2) TODAY, MR PETER (NGO MELIN) INQUIRED ABOUT SECURITY IN NGORORERO COMMUNE SINCE THEY WANT TO OPEN SOME CLINICS IN GISENYI PREFECTURE. THIS HQ PROVIDED THE NECESSARY INFO.

A. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED BULINGA COMMUNE (6679) AND REPORTED THE GENERAL SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM LEARNT THAT ON 16 OCT 95,

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A LOCAL WOMAN WAS MACHETED TO DEATH BY UNKNOWN CULPRITS IN RUGENABAALI SECTOR (6685). THE TEAM ALSO LEARNT THAT THE LOCAL DEFENCE FORCE MEMBERS IN THIS SECTOR ARE BEING HARASSED AND BEATEN BY RPA WHO ARE HINDERING THEM FROM CARRYING OUT CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES.

(2) IN NYARUTOVA SECTOR (6381), LOCAL DEFENSE FORCES ARE BEING ACCUSED OF BEING INTERHAMWE ACTIVISTS. THE COMMUNE CACHOT HAD 69 PRISONERS, 56 FOR GENOCIDE CASES AND 13 FOR COMMON CRIMES (OF WHICH 4 ARE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING RELEASED TODAY).

(3) THE TEAM ALSO VISITED BULINGA AND MUSENYI SECTORS AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(4) A SECOND TEAM VISITED NTONGWE COMMUNE (8957) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT, THE TEAM LEARNT THAT THERE WERE 331 (313/12 OCT 95) PRISONERS, 327 FOR GENOCIDE CASES.

(5) TEAM VISITED ALSO RUTABO (9455) AND KINANZI SECTOR (8958). IN RUTABO SECTOR, ONE PERSON WAS ARRESTED BY RPA FOR ALLEGED GENOCIDE PARTICIPATION TODAY.

(6) IN NTONGWE SECTOR (8553), ON 12 OCT 95, A GROUP OF 20 TO 25 MEN ATTACKED A FAMILY, BEAT THE MAN, STABBED THE WOMAN AND STOLE TWO BICYCLES AND TWO RADIOS. THE BICYCLES AND ONE RADIO HAVE BEEN RECOVERED WHEN THE LOCAL POPULATION CHASED THEM. LATER, THE SAME GROUP OF PEOPLE RAIDED A LOCAL BUSINESSMAN AND STOLE ITEMS FROM HIS SHOP. THREE PEOPLE WERE INJURED IN THIS LATTER ATTACK AND THEY WERE EVACUATED TO KABCAYI HOSPITAL.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

A. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURE TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

B. THIS HQ HAS RECEIVED 858 BLANKETS FOR DONATION TO LOCAL ORPHANAGES. THE MAC SHOULD BE CONGRATULATED FOR THEIR EFFICIENCY IN MOBILIZING THESE ESSENTIAL RESOURCES.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 18 IS 1371, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1135 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES NA.

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7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

8. MILOR STATE

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	03
PRESENT	20

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. WE ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR DECISION TO ALLOW THIS HQ TO DONATE THE MONEY FROM STOLEN ITEMS TO AN ORPHANAGE.

SLOC B. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST FIVE SITREPS, CIVPOL AND HR OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR VEHICLES IN RWANDA. THE PARQUET IN GITARAMA IS INVESTIGATING NUMEROUS ROAD ACCIDENTS INVOLVING UNAMIR VEHICLES AND NEED THIS INFO TO COMPLETE THEIR FILES.

10. SECTOR COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THESE INSTANCES OF FRICTION BETWEEN THE RPA AND LOCAL DEFENCE FORCES IN SOME OF THE COMMUNES COULD YIELD A LOT OF INTERESTING INFORMATION IN THE RECONCILIATION (OR LACK THEREOF) PROCESS. THIS SECTOR WILL CONTINUE PRODDING THIS KIND OF INTERFACE.



H. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL

COMMANDER SECTOR 1B - GITARAMA

FROM: [REDACTED]
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

DATE : 17 OCT 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 161800 OCT TO 171800 OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. **GENERAL**. CALM.
- b. **BORDERS**. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- a. **POLITICAL**. NTR
- b. **MILITARY**
 - (1) **RPA**. NTR.
 - (2) **FRGE**. NTR.
 - (3) **OTHERS**. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. **SECTOR HQ**.

- (1) MR FRANZ (ICRC REPRESENTATIVE OF GITARAMA PREFECTURE) REPORTED TODAY THAT THE BRIDGE ON THE MUKINGI - MUSHUBA ROAD (GR 704 662) HAS COLLAPSED. HE IS REQUESTING A CRANE (A TRUCK MOUNTED ONE IS SUFFICIENT) TO REMOVE THE RUBBLE AT THE SITE, SO THAT ICRC CAN COMMENCE THE RECONSTRUCTION WORK. **THIS IS AN URGENT REQUEST.**
- (2) THE SECT CDR VISITED WITH CO 95 CMSG, LT-COL PRIMEAU, THE PRISON TODAY AND LEARNT THAT THE CHIEF ENGINEER HAS

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BEEN TOLD BY CARITAS THAT THE WORK HAD TO BE FINISHED BY FRIDAY, 20 OCT 95. THE OFFICER, RESPONSIBLE FOR SECURITY AT THE PRISON WAS NOT SO OPTIMISTIC SINCE HE WAS STILL WAITING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF OBSERVATION TOWERS AT THE CORNERS OF THE NEW SURFACE.

(3) A MILOB TEAM WAS DISPATCHED TO MUSHUBATI TO RECOVER AN INDIVIDUAL FROM 95 CMSG WHO GOT IMMOBILIZED ON A ROAD AROUND 1800 HRS. THE RECOVERY OF THIS VEHICLE WILL TAKE PLACE TOMORROW MORNING IN COORDINATION WITH 95 CMSG.

b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED MASANGO COMMUNE (6254) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. SOME CASES OF MALARIA ARE REPORTED. AT THE COMMUNE CACHOT, THERE WERE 235 PRISONERS. 25 OF THEM WERE RECENTLY ARRESTED FOR BREAKING THE CURFEW (MORE DETAILS WERE NOT AVAILABLE IN THE ABSENCE OF AN IPI). HR OFFICERS WILL FOLLOW UP.

(2) THE TEAM ALSO VISITED MUYUNZWE CHURCH (6151) AND LEARNT FROM A PRIEST THAT THE SECURITY SITUATION IS GOOD BUT THAT LOCALS ARE AFRAID TO EXPRESS ANY OPINION ON THE SUBJECT.

(3) A SECOND TEAM MET THE PREFET AT 0900 HRS AND PROVIDED TRANSPORT TO A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MINISTRY OF WORK TO TABA (8883) AND KAYENZI COMMUNE (8389).

(4) A THIRD TEAM WENT TO MUSAMBIRA (8274) AND RUNDA (9882) COMMUNE AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. IN MUSAMBIRA, 133 PRISONERS ARE IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT. 22 OF THEM ARE SICK AND ARE MONITORED BY THE ICRC. NONE OF THE 51 RETURNEES HAVE BEEN ARRESTED.

(5) IN RUNDA, 232 PRISONERS WERE IN THE CACHOT. THERE HAS BEEN 13 NEW ARRESTS SINCE THE LAST VISIT. IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO HAVE THE PROPORTION OF GENOCIDE CASES BECAUSE OF POOR COOPERATION FROM THE IPI.

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4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

a. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

b. INDBATT HAS PROVIDED THREE TRUCKS TODAY TO MOVE FOOD ON BEHALF OF THE SALVATION ARMY FROM GITARAMA TO KAYENZI (8389), TO TRANSPORT FIREWOOD FROM MUSHUBATI COMMUNE (6970) TO KABGAYI NURSING SCHOOL (7579) AND TO TRANSPORT BUILDING MATERIALS WITHIN RUNDA COMMUNE (9882).

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1249, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1135 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS.VEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

8. MILOBs STATE. MAJOR RATH (ID CARD 7779) HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM NORMED AND WILL REJOIN THE SECTOR TOMORROW.

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	03
PRESENT	20

9. MISCELLANEOUS

a. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST FOUR SITREPS, YOUR GUIDANCE IS REQUESTED AS TO WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH THE MONEY FROM STOLEN ITEMS. IF YOU ALLOW IT, THIS HQ COULD MAKE A DONATION TO AN ORPHANAGE.

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b. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST FOUR SITREPS, CIVPOL AND HR OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR VEHICLES IN RWANDA.

c. FIND ATTACHED THE LIST OF BOURGMESTRES OF GITARAMA PREFECTURE SWORN IN.

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. IT APPEARS THAT THE MOOD OF PRISONERS IN THE GITARAMA PRISONER IS A LITTLE BIT MORE FAVORABLE TOWARDS THE TRANSFER OF PRISONERS NOW THAT THE GEOGRAPHICAL FACTOR HAS BEEN GIVEN MORE WEIGHT IN THE PLANNING OF THE OPERATION.



R. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

ATTACH - LISTA L'INTENTION DU MININTER

LES NOMS DES BOURGMESTRES DES 17 COMMUNES DE LA PREFECTURE DE
GITARAMA

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BULINCA	: -
KAYENZI	: NKURIKIYINKA P. Damien
KIGOMA	: RUCEMANA Edouard
MASANGO	: RUDASINGWA Wellers
MUKINGI	: MUTAYIBANDA Pierre
MUGINA	: UWAPAHORO Salathiel
MUSANSIRA	: SEMUHUNGU Thaddée
MUSHUBATI	: NCOGA Léopold
MURAMA	: -
NTONGWE	: NTAGANIRA Wellers
NYABIKENKE	: DUSABUMUREMYI Elie
NYAKABANDA	: NIYITEGEKA François Xavier
NYAMABUYE	: KAYIBANDA Innocent
RUNDA	: BIGIRIMANA J. de Dieu
RUTOBWE	: GAHUNDE Charles
TABA	: -
TAMBWE	: MAZIMPAKA André

FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

DATE : 16 OCT 95

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 151800 OCT TO 161800 OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

a. POLITICAL.

(1) THE SECT CDR MET WITH THE PRISON DIRECTOR TODAY AND LEARNT THE FOLLOWING:

(a) HE RELIES ON THE CARITAS ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE PRISON ENLARGEMENT. HE DOES NOT THINK THAT THE "ONE WEEK" THRESHOLD HAS BEEN REACHED YET FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE WORK. HE DOES NOT NEED ANY AUTHORITY FROM HIGHER TO TRANSFER PRISONERS TO THE NEW SURFACE AND HE WILL DO SO AS SOON AS THE TWO DOORS ARE PIERCED INTO THE DIVIDING WALL BETWEEN THE OLD AND THE NEW PARTS OF THE PRISON (LAST WORK TO BE DONE). IN COORDINATION WITH THE ICRC, THE REDISTRIBUTION OF PRISONERS WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONDUCT A CENSUS AND TO CLEAN THE OLD PART OF THE PRISON.

(b) HE HAS ALREADY FORWARDED A LIST OF 4000 NAMES TO THE KIGALI PARQUET FOR THEIR SELECTION OF WHICH PRISONERS SHOULD BE TRANSFERRED. THIS LIST GIVES PRIORITY TO THOSE FROM COMMUNES GEOGRAPHICALLY CLOSE TO KIGALI (RUNDA, TABA, MUGINA, NTONGWE, KAYENZI AND MUSAMBIRA). HE SAID THAT IT WAS THEN THE PARQUET'S RESPONSIBILITY TO DETERMINE WHO SHOULD BE MOVED IN CONSIDERATION OF THEIR FILES.

(c) THE PRISON DIRECTOR THINKS THAT MOST OF THE TRANSFERS WILL OCCUR TOWARDS KIGALI (ONATRACOM).

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OR GIKONDO) AS OPPOSED TO NSINDA OR NYANZA AS INITIALLY BELIEVED. HE EXPECTS THAT 4000 WILL BE TRANSFERRED BUT THAT HE WILL RECEIVE APPROXIMATELY 2000 FROM COMMUNE CACHOTS WHICH CURRENTLY HOLD 2300.

(d) AS REQUESTED BY MILOB HQ, THIS HQ ENQUIRED ABOUT THE STATE OF THE NYANZA ENLARGEMENT AND THE GITARAMA PRISON DIRECTOR BELIEVES IT IS COMPLETE AND READY TO RECEIVE PRISONERS (ABOUT 1500). THIS WAS NOT CONFIRMED WITH THE NYANZA PRISON DIRECTOR - SECTOR 3B (TELEPHONE # 33209).

(2) THE SECT CDR THEN FOLLOWED UP THIS INFORMATION TO THE PARQUET AND:

(a) IT WAS LEARNT FROM THE PROSECUTOR THAT HE WAS WORKING TO PRODUCE A LIST OF 4108 PRISONERS TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM GITARAMA TO OTHER DETENTION FACILITIES. HE EXPLAINED THAT HE WAS REVIEWING THE LIST PROVIDED BY THE PRISONER DIRECTOR TO IDENTIFY THOSE WHO HAD NO FILE YET. HE WANTS THESE TO BE TRANSFERRED TO KIGALI IN PRIORITY. IT WILL CREATES A FIRST RECORD FOR THEM AND IT WILL STILL BE THE GITARAMA PARQUET WORKING ON THEIR FILES.

(b) ONLY APPROXIMATELY 100 FILES ARE COMPLETE AND READY TO BE SUBMITTED TO A TRIBUNAL. HE WANTS THESE CASES TO REMAIN IN GITARAMA SO THAT THEY CAN EASILY BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE TRIBUNAL ONCE IT IS OPERATIONAL. HE ESTIMATES THAT, WITH THE FIRST PROMOTION OF MAGISTRATES (FROM MURAMBI INSTITUTION HERE IN GITARAMA) IN MID-NOVEMBER AND THE MONTH OF DECEMBER BEING USED TO APPOINT THESE MAGISTRATES, THE TRIBUNAL COULD BE UP AND RUNNING EARLY IN JANUARY 96.

(c) THE PROSECUTOR SHOWED THE SECT CDR THE MINUTE RESEARCH AND WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO PREPARE THESE LISTS. IT IS QUITE SURPRISING THAT NO NATIONAL (PREFERABLY) OR LOCAL PROJECT HAS BEEN

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PUT TOGETHER TO COMPUTERIZE THIS PROCESS WHICH COULD GAIN SO MUCH WITH A MINIMUM INVESTMENT OF ONE COMPUTER. THE PROSECUTOR IS FACED WITH A HUGE TASK WITH VERY LIMITED MEANS AND NOBODY SHOULD ACCUSE HIM OF DRAGGING HIS FEET. HE HOPES TO HAVE THIS LIST READY IN TWO WEEK TIME.

b. MILITARY

- (1) RPA. NTR.
- (2) FRGE. NTR.
- (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR LIAISED WITH THE GITARAMA PRISON DIRECTOR AND THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR. THE COORDINATION OF THE PRISON VISIT BY CO 95 CMSG FOR TOMORROW AT 1000 HRS WAS ALSO PERFORMED.

b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED KAYENZI (8389) COMMUNE AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED BITARE (8383) SECTOR AND LEARNT THAT THE SECTOR HAD RECEIVED TOMATO AND CABBAGE SEEDS FROM AN NGO CALLED "ARMEDESHARI". IN BUGARAMA (8589) SECTOR, IT WAS LEARNT THAT THE BOURGMESTRE HAD WARNED LOCALS THAT HE WOULD ARREST THOSE WHO DO NOT ATTEND HIS MEETINGS. THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE CACHOT REMAINS AT 145.

(2) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED KIGOMA COMMUNE (7649) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE REMAINED AT 67, AS RECORDED ON 29 SEP 95. OF THE TOTAL, 62 ARE SUSPECTED OF GENOCIDE. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED KAVUMU (7342) SECTOR AND LEARNT THAT SIX TEACHERS FROM HAMIKA SECONDARY SCHOOL WERE ARRESTED LAST MONTH. THE ARREST MOTIVE WAS THE HOLDING OF SECRET MEETINGS WITH FRGF SUPPORTERS. HR

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OFFICERS WILL FOLLOW UP ON THIS IMPORTANT CASE WHICH WAS NOT REPORTED TO THIS HQ FOR AN UNKNOWN REASON.

(3) THE TEAM ALSO WENT TO GASORO (7445) SECTOR AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(4) A THIRD TEAM TRANSPORTED A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MINISTRY OF WORK TO NYABIKENKE (7292) AND NYAKABANDA (6597) COMMUNES FOR LIAISON VISITS.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

a. INDBATT HAS KINDLY AGREED TO PROVIDE A TRUCK TOMORROW TO MOVE FIREWOOD FROM MUSHUBATI COMMUNE TO THE NURSES SCHOOL IN KABGAYI.

b. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

c. INDBATT HAS ALSO ACCEPTED TO PROVIDE TWO TRUCKS TOMORROW TO MOVE FOOD ON BEHALF OF THE SALVATION ARMY FROM GITARAMA TO KAYENZI (8389).

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS.** AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1249, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1135 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. **BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES.** NA.

7. **LOGISTICS.**

VEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

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8. MILOBS STATE. MAJOR RATH (ID CARD 7779) IS STILL AT NORMED WITH MALARIA.

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	05
PRESENT	17
HOSPITAL	01

9. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST THREE SITREPS, YOUR GUIDANCE IS REQUESTED AS TO WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH THE MONEY FROM STOLEN ITEMS. IF YOU ALLOW IT, THIS HQ COULD MAKE A DONATION TO AN ORPHANAGE.

b. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST THREE SITREPS, CIVPOL AND HR OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR VEHICLES IN RWANDA.

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. MY OVERALL FEELING ABOUT THE MOVEMENT OF PRISONERS, AT LEAST FROM THE GITARAMA PERSPECTIVE, IS THAT THERE IS A GENUINE EFFORT TO PROCEED WITH TRANSFERS BUT THAT RED TAPE, COMBINED TO LACK OF RESOURCES, MAKES THE PROCESS VERY SLOW. THERE SHOULD BE AN ATTEMPT AT PROVIDING SOME DATA PROCESSING CAPABILITY (AND EXPERTISE) TO THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE.



R.V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

DATE : 15 OCT 95

INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 141800 OCT TO 151800 OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- a. POLITICAL. NTR.
- b. MILITARY

(1) RPA

(a) IT WAS LEARNT FROM AN RPA SOURCE THAT NUMEROUS CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATIONS TOOK PLACE IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS IN KIGALI TO IDENTIFY AND POSSIBLY ARREST "UNREGISTERED" RPA SOLDIERS IN THE CAPITAL.

(b) AS HE WAS CRITICIZING THE BEHAVIOR OF UNRULY RPA SOLDIERS, MGEN KAGAME HAS BEEN QUOTED AS SAYING "I, ALSO WOULD ATTEMPT TO RUN AWAY FROM THIS COUNTRY, IF I WAS SUBJECTED TO THIS KIND OF ACTION". HE WOULD HAVE SAID THIS AT THE ONE WEEK LONG MEETING REGROUPING ALL SENIOR MILITARY OFFICERS AT THE "ECOLE SUPERIEURE MILITAIRE" IN KIGALI.

(c) A LOCAL MERCHANT IN GITARAMA HAS INDICATED THAT THE LEVEL OF INSECURITY IS VERY HIGH IN THE NYAMABUYE COMMUNE (7570 - WHICH INCLUDES THE TOWN OF GITARAMA) BECAUSE OF RECENT ACTIONS BY RPA SOLDIERS STEALING MONEY FROM LOCALS (SEE YESTERDAY'S SITREP). HE IS CONVINCED THAT THESE

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SOLDIERS ARE NOT FROM GITARAMA. THEY WOULD BE COMING FROM KIGALI.

(2) FRGE. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR WAS IN KIGALI FROM 1000 TO 1600 HRS TODAY.

b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED MUSHUBATI (6970) COMMUNE AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED MWAKA (6569), GIKOMERO (6572) AND KARAMA (6971) SECTORS AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. HOWEVER, LOCALS COMPLAINED ABOUT SHORTAGES OF AGRICULTURAL MATERIAL AND SEEDS.

(2) ANOTHER TEAM VISITED RUTOBWE COMMUNE (7781) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE WENT FROM 81 TO 121 SINCE 2 OCT 95. THIS 50 % INCREASE IS MAINLY DUE TO MORE RELIGION MOTIVATED ARRESTS. ON 12 OCT 95, 17 TEMPERANT WOMEN WERE ARRESTED IN THE FOREST AS THEY WERE PRAYING. THIS BRINGS THE NUMBER OF "RELIGIOUS" PRISONERS IN THIS COMMUNE TO 33.

(3) THE TEAM ALSO WENT TO THE CYEZA ORPHANAGE WHICH CONTAINS LESS THAN 50 ORPHANS. IT APPEARS THAT MOST OF THESE CASES WILL NEVER BE REUNITED WITH THEIR RELATIVES. THE ORPHANAGE IS ACCORDINGLY LOOKING FOR FOSTER PARENTS.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

a. AS REPORTED YESTERDAY, THE DIRECTOR OF THE KABGAYI NURSE SCHOOL HAS REQUESTED HELP TO MOVE FIREWOOD FROM MUSHUBATI

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COMMUNE (AS OPPOSED TO WHAT WAS REPORTED YESTERDAY) TO THE SCHOOL. IT IS KINDLY REQUESTED THAT INDBATT PROVIDE ONE TRUCK FOR THIS TASK EARLY NEXT WEEK (PREFERABLY TUESDAY, 17 OCT 95).

b. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS.** AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1249, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1135 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. **BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES.** NA.

7. **LOGISTICS.**

VEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

8. **MILOBs STATE.** MAJOR RATH (ID CARD 7779) WAS ADMITTED TO KIGALI HOSPITAL TODAY WITH MALARIA.

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	06
PRESENT	16
HOSPITAL	01

9. **MISCELLANEOUS.**

a. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, YOUR GUIDANCE IS REQUESTED AS TO WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH THE MONEY FROM STOLEN ITEMS. IF YOU ALLOW IT, THIS HQ COULD MAKE A DONATION TO AN ORPHANAGE.

b. AS REQUESTED IN OUR LAST TWO SITREPS, CIVPOL AND HR OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR VEHICLES IN RWANDA.

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10. **SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT.** THE PROBLEM OF UNPAID SOLDIERS IS HAVING REPERCUSSIONS MUCH WIDER THAN ONE COULD BELIEVE. THE FACT THAT SOLDIERS FROM KIGALI WOULD GO TO THE "GITARAMA SUBURBS" TO STEAL MONEY IS CREATING A LOT OF TENSION IN THIS PREFECTURE. THIS MATTER SHOULD BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY SO THAT SOME OF THE MONEY COMING FROM DONOR COUNTRIES BE USED TO ALLEVIATE THIS PROBLEM WHICH IS JEOPARDIZING THE RECONCILIATION PROCESS. ALL OTHER MINISTRIES RECEIVE A FAIR AMOUNT OF HELP AND UNAMIR SHOULD MAKE A POINT OF RECOMMENDING THAT THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE SHOULD RECEIVE ITS SHARE OF HELP SO THAT THESE SOLDIERS CAN SEE A "RAY OF HOPE". THIS APPROACH WAS USED IN OTHER UN THEATER OF OPERATIONS (MOZAMBIQUE FOR EXAMPLE) WITH A RESOUNDING SUCCESS.



R.V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

FROM: SECTOR 1B HQ
TO: MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO: FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

DATE : 14 OCT 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 131800 OCT TO 141800 OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- a. POLITICAL. A BOURGMESTRE SWEARING IN CEREMONY HAS TAKEN PLACE IN RUNDA TODAY AND ONE MILOB TEAM ATTENDED.
- b. MILITARY
 - (1) RPA. THE FACT THAT THE RPA IS UNDERPAID IS HAVING SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES IN THIS SECTOR (SEE PARA 3.b.(1))
 - (2) FRGE. NTR.
 - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- a. SECTOR HQ.

(1) A RECCE TEAM FROM 95 CMSG REPORTED TO THIS HQ TODAY FOR THE MOVEMENT OF THE CONTAINER IN THE MUSAMBIRA HILL (815 744) TO THE GITARAMA MARKET ON BEHALF OF "CONCERN", AN NGO WHICH WANTS A WOMEN COOPERATIVE TO USE IT AS A MINI WAREHOUSE.

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(2) A "HAPPY HOUR" IS BEING ORGANIZED TODAY WITH THE SIX MEMBERS OF THE GHANA CONTINGENT WHO ARE SCHEDULED TO LEAVE TOMORROW.

(3) A MILOB TEAM FROM SECTOR 3B (BUTARE) VISITED THIS HQ TODAY FOR THE TRANSFER OF THE NINE YEAR OLD BOY FROM THE NTONGWE (9057) CACHOT. THEIR TEAM WAS INFORMED THAT THE BOY HAD ALREADY BEEN MOVED TO GATAGARA CENTRE IN KIGOMA (7649) COMMUNE. THEIR MILOB WILL HANDOVER THE CASE TO HR OFFICERS, LIKE THIS HQ HAS ALREADY DONE.

b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED NYAMABUYE (7570) COMMUNE AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS TENSE. IT WAS LEARNT THAT SIX CASES OF BANDITRY INCIDENTS WERE REPORTED DURING LAST WEEK ALONE. ALL INCIDENTS OCCURRED IN THE KIVUMU SECTOR (7873) AND INVOLVED ARMED BANDITS DRESSED IN RPA UNIFORMS. THIS IS OF CONCERN DUE TO THE PROXIMITY OF THESE INCIDENTS FROM GITARAMA AND THE EFFECT IT MAY HAVE ON THE POPULATION. ALL CASES INVOLVED EXTORSION OF FUNDS AND SYSTEMATIC BEATINGS IF NO MONEY IS FOUND OR OBTAINED. ONE SHOPKEEPER WHO HAS YET TO BE ROBBED HAS ASKED TO MEET THE SECT CDR TO DISCUSS THIS DANGEROUS TREND.

(2) THE KIVUMU COUNSELLOR SAID THAT HE WAS ORGANIZING LDFs TO COUNTER THESE ARMED ATTACKS. THE PROSPECT OF UNARMED CIVILIANS, TRAINED BY THE RPA, TO DETER RPA ROGUE ELEMENTS FROM STEALING OFFERS A RATHER SINGULAR SITUATION.

(3) TWO OTHER SECTORS WERE VISITED AND THE SITUATION IS SIMILAR AS IN SECTOR KIVUMU.

(4) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO NYAKABANDA (6597) COMMUNE AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE JPJ INDICATED THAT EIGHT PRISONERS HAD BEEN FREED. TWO SECTORS WERE VISITED AND THE RPA IS PATROLLING EVERY NIGHT.

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4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

a. THE DIRECTOR OF THE KABGAYI NURSE SCHOOL HAS REQUESTED HELP TO MOVE FIREWOOD FROM NYAMABUYE COMMUNE TO THE SCHOOL. IT IS KINDLY REQUESTED THAT INDBATT PROVIDE ONE TRUCK FOR THIS TASK EARLY NEXT WEEK.

b. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1260, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1135 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS.VEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

8. MILOBS STATE.

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	06
PRESENT	17

9. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. AS REQUESTED YESTERDAY, YOUR GUIDANCE IS REQUESTED AS TO WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH THE MONEY FROM STOLEN ITEMS. IF

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YOU ALLOW IT, THIS HQ COULD MAKE A DONATION TO AN ORPHANAGE.

b. AS REQUESTED YESTERDAY, CIVPOL AND HR OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR VEHICLES IN RWANDA.

c. LAST NIGHT, THIS HQ'S NIGHT GUARDS HAVE REPORTED LIGHTS COMING FROM THE COMPOUND NEXT TO THE PETIT SEMINAIRE. UPON INVESTIGATION, IT APPEARS THAT THIEVES HAVE STOLEN PIPES FROM THE OLD MALI KITCHEN. IN DISCUSSION WITH THE FSO, HE AGREED TO NOW PROVIDE A DAY GUARD SO THAT THIEVES CANNOT EASILY "RECCE" THEIR TARGETED AREA OF OPERATION.

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I AM QUITE CONCERNED WITH THIS TREND OF THEFTS, ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED BY RPA SOLDIERS ATTEMPTING TO ROUND OFF THEIR IRREGULAR PAY SYSTEM. I WILL BRING UP THE MATTER WITH THE BDE CDR ON MONDAY.



R.V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

FROM:

DATE : 13 OCT 95

TO:

MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO:

FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATTSITREP COVERING
PERIOD 121800 SEP TO 131800B OCT 951. SITUATIONa. GENERAL. CALM.b. BORDERS. NTR.2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

a. POLITICAL. THE BELGIAN COOPERATION MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE GITARAMA PRISON TODAY WENT WELL. THE SECT CDR HAD NEVER SEEN SO MANY AUTHORITIES, BOTH CIVILIAN AND MILITARY, FOR A VISIT AT THE PRISON. THE MEETING WITH MONSEIGNEUR SIBOMANA COULD NOT TAKE PLACE SINCE HE WAS REPORTED VERY SICK WITH MALARIA.

b. MILITARY(1) RPA. NTR.(2) FRGE. NTR.(3) OTHERS. NTR.3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIESa. SECTOR HQ.

(1) THE SECT CDR ESCORTED THE BELGIAN DELEGATION IN THE GITARAMA PRISON. MR MOREELS, THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR COOPERATION, SAID THAT NOW THAT HE HAD SEEN, HE HAD TO ACT.

(2) IN DISCUSSING WITH PRISONERS, THE SECT CDR HEARD PRISONERS COMPLAINING THAT THEY ARE BEING BEATEN EVERY TIME THEY GO TO THE OUTSIDE COURT DURING WEDNESDAY

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VISITS BY RELATIVES. ONE INFORMANT EXPLAINED THAT THE BEATING STOPPED IMMEDIATELY WHEN THE SECT CDR REQUESTED AND WAS ALLOWED TO ATTEND VISITS ON 11 OCT 95. THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME THAT UNAMIR PERSONNEL WAS ALLOWED TO ATTEND THIS MOVING EXCHANGE BETWEEN THE PRISONERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

(3) THE SIX MEMBERS OF THE GHANA CONTINGENT WERE BRIEFED BY THE SECT CDR ON THE OVERALL SITUATION.

(4) THE SECT CDR HAD YET ANOTHER VISIT FROM THE PREFET TODAY AND THE LATTER EXPRESSED HIS GREAT SATISFACTION TO UNAMIR FOR ITS PRESENCE AND HELP IN THE GITARAMA PREFECTURE. HE HOPED THAT UNAMIR WOULD STILL BE REPRESENTED IN THE PREFECTURE PAST 9 DEC 95 AND SAID THAT HE WOULD WRITE A LETTER TO THIS EFFECT TO HIS AUTHORITIES.

b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED MUKINGI (7160) COMMUNE AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. IT WAS LEARNT THAT THREE WEEKS AGO DYSENTERY HAD BROKEN OUT IN THE COMMUNE AND KILLED TWO PEOPLE. THE DISEASE IS NOW UNDER CONTROL.

(2) TWO SECTORS MUHORORO (7458) AND NYAGASOZI (7361) WERE ALSO VISITED AND THE SECURITY SITUATION WAS CALM. THE PATROL LEARNT THAT ONE FAMILY OF TWO PEOPLE HAD RETURNED TO THE COMMUNE FROM TANZANIA ON 10 OCT 95.

(3) IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT, THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS HAS INCREASED FROM 94 TO 100 SINCE 11 OCT 95. OF ALL THE CASES, 80 ARE GENOCIDE RELATED.

(4) THE SECOND TEAM WAS TASKED WITH THE COORDINATION OF THE TRANSPORT OF NINE TONS OF FOOD FROM KIGALI TO THE REMERA-RUKOMA HOSPITAL IN TABA COMMUNE (8883). THE NECESSARY TRANSPORT WAS PROVIDED BY THE INDBATT.

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(5) THE THIRD TEAM WAS A JOINT CIVPOL/MILOBS/RPA PATROL WHICH FOLLOWED UP ON YESTERDAY'S REPORT ON THE ARREST OF THIEVES. CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATIONS HAVE YIELDED 74 BLANKETS, 90 SOAP BARS, NINE JERRYCANS OF FUEL (EIGHT FULL ONES), FIVE UTENSILS SETS, ONE OIL FILTER AND VARIED DRY AND CANNED FOODS. FIVE MORE ARRESTS WERE CONDUCTED, BRINGING THE TOTAL TO 11, INCLUDING THE LEADER OF THE THIEVES. 29 920 RWF WERE ALSO RECUPERATED FROM SOME SHOPS WHERE SOME OF THE MERCHANDISE HAD ALREADY BEEN SOLD. THIS HQ IS IN THE PROCESS OF DETERMINING HOW THE MONEY SHOULD BE DIVIDED BETWEEN UNHCR AND UNAMIR.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

- a. THIS HQ WOULD APPRECIATE A REPLY ON THE MEMISA'S REQUEST FOR THE LOAN OF A 10 000 L BLUE WATER TANK AS REPORTED IN THE LAST TWO SITREPS. A DISCUSSION WITH B & R PERSONNEL TODAY INDICATED THAT SMALL BLADDERS COULD BE EASIER TO OBTAIN. THIS WOULD ALSO SOLVE THE PROBLEM.
- b. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.
- c. SEE PARA 3.b.(4).

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS**. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1260, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1135 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. **BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES**. NA.

7. LOGISTICS**VEHICLE STATE:**

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

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8. MILOB STATE.

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	06
PRESENT	17

9. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. YOUR GUIDANCE IS REQUESTED AS TO WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH THE MONEY FROM STOLEN ITEMS. IF YOU ALLOW IT, THIS HQ COULD MAKE A DONATION TO AN ORPHANAGE.

b. AS REQUESTED IN THE LAST TWO SITREPS, YOU ARE REQUESTED TO ANSWER OUR QUERY YESTERDAY ON THE RADIO RWANDA TRANSCRIPT DATED 6 OCT 95 THAT A KILLER DISEASE WITH 847 PEOPLE INFECTED WAS IDENTIFIED IN BYUMBA PREFECTURE (COMMUNE MUHURA).

c. CIVPOL AND HR OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY COVERING UNAMIR VEHICLES IN RWANDA.

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. NTR.

R.V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

FROM : SECTOR IB HQ

DATE : 12 OCT 95

TO : MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI

INFO : FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 111800 SEP TO 121800B OCT 95

1. SITUATION

a. GENERAL. CALM.

b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

a. POLITICAL. THE BELGIAN COOPERATION MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE GITARAMA PRISON ON 13 SEP 95 HAS BEEN CONFIRMED TODAY. THE BELGIAN AMBASSADOR PHONED THE SECT CDR TODAY AND SAID THAT HE HAD INFORMATION THAT THE SITUATION IN THE PRISON WAS VERY TENSE AND THAT HE WAS AFRAID THAT A HOSTAGE SITUATION COULD DEVELOP IN THE PRISON. THE SECT CDR CONFIRMED THAT THE SITUATION WAS TENSE BUT THAT THE DECISION TO PROCEED WITH THE VISIT WAS THEIRS. THE AMBASSADOR DECIDED TO GO WITH THE PLANNED VISIT.

b. MILITARY

(1) RPA.

(a) TWO OFFICERS OF THE RPA WERE PART OF A HELIPATROL TO NTONGWE (9057) AND TAMBWE (7653) COMMUNES. THIS PATROL ALLOWED A MILOB TEAM TO SUCCESSFULLY NEGOTIATE THE TRANSFER OF A MENTALLY DERANGED PRISONER FROM KYUMBA CACHOT (7292) TO KABGAYI HOSPITAL.

(b) TWO RPA "INVESTIGATORS" HAVE VISITED THE PETIT SEMINAIRE FOLLOWING THE ARREST OF ONE OF THE ALLEGED CULPRITS BY MILOBS AND CIVPOL.

(2) FRGE. NTR.

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(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. SECTOR HQ.

(1) THE VISIT TO THE GITARAMA PRISON BY THE FC ON SATURDAY HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO THE SHORT TIME AVAILABLE TO REQUEST AN AUTHORIZATION FROM THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE. THIS WAS DISCUSSED WITH UNAMIR PAFFO WHO WILL HOWEVER CONTINUE PLANNING THE FILMING OF THE PRISON DURING THE WEEK 16 TO 20 OCT 95.

(2) THE SECT CDR, AS PART OF HIS DAILY EXERCISE, RECOGNIZED TWO OF THE ALLEGED THIEVES HE HAD PURSUED IN THE FOREST ON 7 OCT 95. HE REQUESTED THE HELP OF CIVPOL AND ONE OF THE TWO BOYS (15 YEARS OLD) WAS ARRESTED IN A "HOT PURSUIT" THROUGH THE KABGAYI MAZE. THE ALLEGED THIEF HAS BEEN HANDED OVER TO THE RPA AND THIS HQ WAS INFORMED THAT A CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION WAS LAUNCHED FOLLOWING THE INFORMATION GIVEN BY THIS BOY. AS A RESULT, SIX MORE WERE ARRESTED, NINE JERRY CANS OF FUEL AND FOUR CASES OF SOAP WERE RECOVERED AS WELL AS 5 000 RWF FROM THE SALE OF STOLEN GOODS. THE HEAD OF THE NETWORK, A MARRIED MAN, COULD NOT BE FOUND. THE HR HAS BEEN ASKED TO LIAISE WITH THE IPJ TO ENSURE THE LEGALITY OF THE ARREST PROCEDURES. THE CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION (A TOTAL OF 19 NAMES WERE OBTAINED) WILL CONTINUE TOMORROW AND THE CIVPOL WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN IPJ.

b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED NYABIKENKE (7292) COMMUNE AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM HAD A SPECIAL TASK OF TRANSFERRING THE SICK PRISONER FROM NYABIKENKE COMMUNE CACHOT. THE PRISONER WAS UNDER GOING TREATMENT AT THE KYUMBA SOUS-PREFECTURE CLINIC AFTER BEING BEATEN UP IN THE CACHOT. THE SAME PATIENT PRISONER TRIED TO ESCAPE FROM THE CLINIC LAST NIGHT AND WAS REAPPREHENDED BY THE RPA SOLDIERS WHO WERE

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GUARDING HIM AT THE CLINIC. THE SAME PRISONER PATIENT IS REPORTED TO HAVE DEVELOPED SOME MENTAL PROBLEM AS A RESULT OF SOME BEATINGS BY RPA IN THE CACHOT.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NTONGWE (9057) AND TAMBWE (7653) COMMUNES AND REPORTED THE SECURITY SITUATION AS CALM. THE PATROL WAS CONDUCTED BY HELICOPTER AND THREE RPA MEMBERS ON BOARD (SEE PARA 2.b.(1)(A)).

(3) IN NTONGWE, THE NUMBER OF GENOCIDE CASES IN THE CACHOT WAS LOWERED BY SIX (RELEASED) BUT SEVEN ARRESTS TOOK PLACE FOR COMMON CRIMES. CURRENT TOTAL NUMBER OF PRISONERS IS 313, THE HIGHEST IN THE PREFECTURE.

(4) IN TAMBWE, THERE WAS AN INCREASE OF TEN PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT SINCE 10 OCT 95. THE ASSISTANT TO THE NEW BOURGMESTRE ANNOUNCED THAT HE IS CONSIDERING ESTABLISHING LOCAL DEFENCE FORCES DUE TO THE HIGH LEVEL OF BANDITRY ACTIVITY.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

a. THIS HQ WOULD APPRECIATE A REPLY ON THE MEMISA'S REQUEST FOR THE LOAN OF A 10 000 L BLUE WATER TANK AS REPORTED YESTERDAY. AN ARRANGEMENT HAS BEEN MADE WITH INDBATT TO MOVE TWO TRUCK LOADS OF FOOD FROM KIGALI TO REMERA-RUKOMA HOSPITAL IN TABA COMMUNE (8883).

b. AS MENTIONED YESTERDAY, 95 CMSG IS REMINDED THAT THIS HQ IS STILL WAITING FOR A RECOVERY TEAM TO MOVE THE ABANDONED VAN TRAILER IN THE MUSAMBIRA HILL (8274).

c. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS**. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1231, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1135 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. **BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES**. NA.

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7. LOGISTICS. AS REPORTED YESTERDAY, THIS HQ HAS DRAINED THE 100 000 L WATER BLADDER AND IT IS READY TO BE PICKED UP.

VEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

8. MILOBs STATE.

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LEAVE/CTO	06
PRESENT	17

9. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. SIX MEMBERS OF THE GHANA CONTINGENT ARRIVED HERE TODAY FOR THEIR FAMILIARIZATION STAY.

b. AS REQUESTED YESTERDAY, YOU ARE REQUESTED TO ANSWER OUR QUERY YESTERDAY ON THE RADIO RWANDA TRANSCRIPT DATED 6 OCT 95 THAT A KILLER DISEASE WITH 847 PEOPLE INFECTED WAS IDENTIFIED IN BYUMBA PREFECTURE (COMMUNE MUHURA).

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I WOULD BE TEMPTED TO SAY THAT THESE ARRESTS OF THIEVES TODAY ARE GOOD NEWS BUT I AM PRUDENT SINCE THERE IS A RISK OF RETALIATION. QUI VIVRA VERRA.



R.V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

FROM : [REDACTED]
TO : MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO : FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

DATE : 11 OCT 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 101800 SEP TO 111800B OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESa. POLITICAL.

(1) THE SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR THE BOURGMESTRE OF KAYENZI (8389) COMMUNE TOOK PLACE TODAY. ONE MILOB TEAM ATTENDED.

(2) THE AMBASSADOR OF BELGIUM'S VISIT TO THE GITARAMA PRISON ON 13 SEP 95 HAS BEEN COORDINATED TODAY WITH THE RPA BDE CDR. MONSEIGNEUR SIBOMANA HAS ACCEPTED TO MEET THE DELEGATION IN KABGAYI AFTER THE PRISON VISIT.

(3) THE RPA BDE CDR INDICATED THAT THE "TEMPERANTS" PROBLEMS NEEDED MORE OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE SOLUTION THAN A JUDICIARY ONE. HE EXPLAINED THAT THIS PROBLEM ACTUALLY EXISTED BEFORE THE GENOCIDE AND THAT SOME OF THEIR ACTIVITIES, LIKE THE RECOMMENDATION OF BURNING BANANA TREES AND COFFEE PLANTS, COULD EASILY BE INTERPRETED AS ECONOMIC SABOTAGE.

(4) THE RPA BDE CDR INDICATED THAT MONSEIGNEUR SIBOMANA'S LIFE COULD BE AT RISK BECAUSE OF TENSIONS WITHIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH. HE SAID THAT THE LAST FAILED AMBUSH COULD BE THE CASE OF AN RPA SOLDIER "HIRED" TO DO THE JOB. COL NDEGEYINKA IS ATTEMPTING TO CONVINCE ALL OF HIS OFFICERS THAT MONSEIGNEUR SIBOMANA IS A KEY RECONCILIATION PLAYER AND THAT HE ACTUALLY NEEDS THE RPA'S SUPPORT.

b. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE SECT CDR MET THE NEW BDE CDR FOR THE FIRST TIME TODAY. COL NDEGEYINKA OFFERED HIS FULL COOPERATION AND THE FOLLOWING WAS LEARNT:

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✓ (a) LT-COL KAYONGA HAS YET TO BE APPOINTED TO AN OFFICIAL POSITION BUT THE BDE CDR EXPECTED THAT HE WOULD BE UNDER HIS COMMAND AND THAT HE HAD ACTUALLY REQUESTED THAT HE BE LEFT WITH THE BDE TO EASE THE TRANSITION PERIOD.

✓ (b) HE IS EXPECTING THAT A FOURTH BATTALION WILL BE ADDED TO HIS BDE. IT WOULD BE 67 BATTALION WHICH IS IN TRAINING IN RUBONA (BUTARE). THIS BATTALION'S TROOP IS ESSENTIALLY FROM THE FRGF BUT ITS CADRE IS 50/50 WITH RPF ELEMENTS. IT IS COMMANDED BY MAJOR MURENGIRANTWARI MATHIAS AND HIS 2IC WILL BE FROM THE RPF.

✓ (c) HE ALSO EXPLAINED THAT THE 99 BATTALION WHICH WAS THE FIRST "REFORMED" BATTALION ONLY HAD SOME ELEMENTS OF THE FRGF AS COMPARED TO 67 BATTALION WHICH WILL HAVE A MUCH HIGHER PROPORTION OF FRGF.

✓ (d) HE AGREED TO ASK THE "POLITICAL COMMISSAR" TO GIVE THIS HQ AND VARIOUS NGOS A BRIEFING ON THEIR "MODUS OPERANDI".

✓ (e) HE ACCEPTED TO TRANSFER A PRISONER FROM NYABIKENKE WHO WAS APPARENTLY BEATEN UP AND WHO NEEDS MEDICAL TREATMENT FROM THE KAGAYI HOSPITAL.

(f) HE WILL INVESTIGATE NUMEROUS LACK OF DISCIPLINE INCIDENTS THAT WERE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN THIS HQ'S REPORTS.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR MET WITH MONSEIGNEUR SIBOMANA TODAY AND WAS APPRAISED OF A TORTURE CASE IN MUKINGI COMMUNE (7160) WHICH WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO HR OFFICERS.

b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED MURAMA COMMUNE (6749) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM BUT THAT TEN PEOPLE WERE RECENTLY ARRESTED FOR GENOCIDE. HOWEVER FIVE HAVE SINCE BEEN RELEASED AFTER BEING FOUND NOT GUILTY. TWO RETURNEES WERE ACCOUNTED FOR IN THE COMMUNE ON 4 OCT 95. THE TWO CAME FROM ZAIRE.

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(2) THE TEAM ALSO LEARNT THAT CONCERN IS CONSIDERING EMPLOYING TWO COOKS TO PREPARE FOOD DONATED TO THE PRISONERS. THE CACHOT AS OF TODAY HOLDS 285 PRISONERS, OF WHICH 257 ARE OF GENOCIDE CASES.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED MUSAMBIRA (8274) COMMUNE AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM WITNESSED THE NEW BOURGMESTRE HOLDING A MEETING AIMED AT RECONCILIATION. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED THE CACHOT AND WITNESSED AN INCREMENT OF 4 GENOCIDE CASES THAT BROUGHT THE TOTAL FIGURE TO 136.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

a. A REPRESENTATIVE OF MEMISA CAME TO THIS HQ AND REQUESTED THE LOAN OF A 10 000 L BLUE WATER TANK SIMILAR TO ONE HELD HERE AT THE PETIT SEMINAIRE. THIS WOULD BE AN INTERIM MEASURE PENDING THE REPAIR OF THEIR WATER PIPELINE. MEMISA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REMERA-RUKOMA HOSPITAL IN TABA COMMUNE (8883) WHICH IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT IN THE OVERALL MEDICAL INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE PREFECTURE. A QUICK REPLY IS IMPERATIVE FOR THE WELFARE OF PATIENTS.

b. 95 CMSG IS REMINDED THAT THIS HQ IS STILL WAITING FOR A RECOVERY TEAM TO MOVE THE ABANDONED VAN TRAILER IN THE MUSAMBIRA HILL (8274). THIS TRAILER/CONTAINER IS TO BE MOVED TO THE MUSAMBIRA MARKET PLACE WHERE A WOMAN COOPERATIVE WILL USE IT FOR STORAGE. APPARENTLY, THERE WAS A FIRST ATTEMPT TO MOVE IT BUT 95 CMSG SAID THAT THEY WOULD DO IT WHEN THEY WOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY.

c. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS.** AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1231, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1135 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. **BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES.** NA.

7. **LOGISTICS.** AS DISCUSSED WITH 95 CMSG LOG OPS, THIS HQ HAS DRAINED THE 100 000 L WATER BLADDER AND IT IS READY TO BE UNEARTHED AND PICKED UP.

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VEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	02
SERVICEABLE	05

8. MILOBS STATE. MAJ ZEMANEK HAS REPORTED TO THIS HQ TODAY. HE HAS BEEN ALLOWED TO COMPLETE HIS HANDOVER IN BUTARE SO THAT HE WILL NOT HAVE TO BE RECALLED FROM HERE. SIMILARLY, THE FSO HAS TO BE PRESENT IN BUTARE TO COMPLETE THE STOCKTAKING THAT IS REQUIRED.

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	03
PRESENT	20

9. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. LAST NIGHT, THIS HQ WAS NOT VISITED BY THIEVES. THIS IS A GOOD SIGN THAT THE TWO NIGHT GUARDS HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE.

b. IT HAS BEEN LEARNT TODAY THAT THE EXPECTED MOVE OF PRISONERS ON 16 OCT 95 WILL NOT TAKE PLACE. APPARENTLY, EVERYONE IS AWAITING THE PRODUCTION OF A LIST OF TRANSFEREES AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL.

c. IT WAS LEARNT TODAY FROM YOUR RADIO RWANDA TRANSCRIPT DATED 6 OCT 95 THAT A KILLER DISEASE WITH 847 PEOPLE INFECTED WAS IDENTIFIED IN BYUMBA PREFECTURE (COMMUNE MUHURA). THIS NEWS HAS THE POTENTIAL OF CREATING A LOT OF WORRY IN UNAMIR TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES ABROAD. A SITREP WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I HAVE HAD A VERY POSITIVE FEELING FOLLOWING MY MEETING WITH THE RPA BDE CDR BUT WHAT WILL BE THE REAL TEST IS WHAT KIND OF FOLLOW-UP HE GIVES TO OUR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION.



R.V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

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① Case should be taken up with FTR for get.

② SEC/Write to FTR about the request for get. I should also mention it at the Senior brief, tomorrow. *[Signature]* 16/10

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UNAMIR - MINUAR

TO : MILOB GP HQ
MIL POLICE
CIV POL

FROM : SECTOR 1B (GITARAMA)

INFO : IND BATT

DATE : 10 October 1995

THEFT : SECTOR 1B (GITARAMA)

1. THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT ON NIGHT 09/10 OCT 95 A THEFT OCCURRED IN OUR SECTOR HQ AT KABGAYI. THE DETAILS ARE COVERED IN SUCCEEDING PARAS.


2. THE THIEVES BROKE THE GLASS WINDOWS OF ONE OF THE OUTER ROOMS, WHICH IS NOT BEING USED, TO MAKE AN ENTRY IN TO THE SECTOR HQ COMPLEX. THERE AFTER THEY BROKE THE GLASS WINDOW OF THE ROOM WHERE PETROL AND SPARE JERRICANS ARE KEPT. THE JERRICANS WERE ACQUIRED SO THAT IT COULD FACILITATE IN TRANSPORTATION OF DIESEL. THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE FOUND STOLEN :-

- (a) DIESEL : APPROX 1000 TO 1500 LITERS.
- (b) JERRICANS : SIX.
- (c) SPARE WHEELS : TWO.

3. IT IS ALSO SUBMITTED THAT THIS IS NOT THE FIRST INCIDENT OF THEFT IN OUR COMPLEX. EARLIER THE THEFTS WERE CONFINED TO SMALL ITEMS LIKE SOAPS, BLANKETS AND KITCHEN SETS BELONGING TO UNCHR, BUT NOW IT SEEMS THAT THE THIEVES HAVE BECOME BOLDER, BECAUSE THERE IS NO DETERRENCE.

4. THERE IS AN URGENT NEED FOR A NIGHT GUARD FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNAMIR PROPERTY HELD ON CHARGE OF SECTOR 1B. IT IS THERE FORE SUGGESTED THAT OUR REQUEST FOR A SECURITY GUARD SHOULD BE ACCEDDED IMMEDIATELY. IN THE MEAN WHILE IND BATT MAY PLEASE BE REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A GUARD FOR THE INTERVENING PERIOD.

5. WITH BEST REGARDS.


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FROM : SECTOR 1B HQ DATE : 10 OCT 95
TO : MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO : FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 091800 SEP TO 101800B OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

a. POLITICAL.

(1) THE SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR THE BOURGMESTRE OF MASANGO (6254) COMMUNE TOOK PLACE TODAY. ONE MILOB TEAM ATTENDED.

(2) THE AMBASSADOR OF BELGIUM IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT THE GITARAMA PRISON ON 13 SEP 95 AND ASKED TO BE ESCORTED BY THE SECT CDR. THEY WILL FIRST HAVE LUNCH AT THE "CENTRE DES FORMATION DES CADRES" DE MURAMBI IN GITARAMA. AFTER THE PRISON VISIT, THEY HAVE REQUESTED TO MEET MONSEIGNEUR SIBOMANA AND THE SECT CDR IS ATTEMPTING TO COORDINATE THIS MEETING (THE KABGAYI BISHOP IS NOT EASY TO GET A HOLD OF).

b. MILITARY

(1) RPA. IN A CONVERSATION WITH THE UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE IN GITARAMA, LT-COL KAYONGA REFERRED TO COL NDEGEYINKA AS "HIS BOSS". HE EXPLAINED TO HER THAT HE WAS A KIND OF "ASSISTANT" TO THE BDE CDR. THE SECT CDR WILL SEEK CLARIFICATION FROM BOTH OFFICERS AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. SECTOR HQ. THE SECT CDR IS ATTEMPTING TO COORDINATE A VISIT TO THE GITARAMA PRISON BY THE FC. THE UNAMIR PAFFO WILL FILM THE INSIDE OF THE PRISON AT THE SAME TIME. THIS IS AN "OLD" PROMISE FROM LT-COL KAYONGA WHICH THIS HQ WILL ATTEMPT TO REVIVE.

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b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED TAMBWE COMMUNE (7653) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM BUT FELT INCREASED TENSION AMONGST THE POPULATION. THE TEAM VISITED THE COMMUNE CACHOT AND REPORTED THAT THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS HAS INCREASED FROM 165 TO 168. THE NEW ARRESTS ARE FOR GENOCIDE. THE TEAM ALSO CONFIRMED THE ARRIVAL OF 145 RETURNEES.

(2) ON 7 OCT 95, AT ABOUT 2000 HRS, APPROXIMATELY 15 ARMED BANDITS IN UNIFORM CAME TO GIKUMBA CELLULE (8155) AND BEAT ONE FAMILY OF THREE PEOPLE. THEY ROBBED THEM OF TWO BICYCLES, A CAMERA AND SOME MONEY. THE THIEVES THEN WENT TO NTUNGANO CELLULE (8358) AND FIRED THREE ROUNDS IN THE AIR AFTER STEALING TWO MORE BICYCLES.

(3) THE TEAM ALSO VISITED TAMBWE (7956) AND BUHORO (7558) SECTORS AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

(4) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NYABIKENKE COMMUNE (7292) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM CONFIRMED THE ARRIVAL OF 148 REFUGEES. IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT, THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS HAS GONE UP FROM 74 TO 90 SINCE 3 OCT 95. THE NEW ARRESTS ARE FOR GENOCIDE.

(5) ON 28 SEP 95, ONE PRISONER WAS TORTURED IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT. AS A RESULT, HE WAS ADMITTED IN KİYUMBA HOSPITAL IN CRITICAL CONDITION. HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICERS HAVE BEEN INFORMED. THIS HQ WILL ALSO BRING THE MATTER TO THE ATTENTION OF THE RPA.

(6) THE TEAM ALSO VISITED NGOMA (7488), RUKARAGATA (7091) AND KIREWAGURU (7590) SECTORS AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1220, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1135 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

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7. LOGISTICSVEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	02
SERVICEABLE	05

8. MILOBS STATE. MAJ HATZENBICHLER HAS MET CDR SECT 3B AND HAS BEEN ALLOWED TO GO ON CTO/LEAVE. HE HAS HANDED OVER LOGISTIC RESPONSIBILITIES TO MAJ SABHARWAL PENDING THE ARRIVAL OF MAJOR ZEMANEK WHO IS CURRENTLY HANDING OVER HIS LOGISTIC RESPONSIBILITIES TO ANOTHER OFFICER IN HIS SECTOR. STATS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	02
PRESENT	21

9. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. LAST NIGHT, THIS HQ WAS AGAIN VISITED BY THIEVES. THIS TIME THEIR TARGET WAS DIESEL. THIS IS THEIR SEVENTH (COULD BE DIFFERENT GROUPS OF THIEVES) MISCHIEF IN A TWO WEEK PERIOD. THE DETAILS OF THIS LAST THEFT WERE FORWARDED TO YOU SEPARATELY. CIV POL IS CARRYING OUT AN INVESTIGATION WHICH WILL BE SENT TO YOU ONCE READY. WE HAVE RECEIVED THE AUTHORITY FROM THE FSO TO HIRE TWO NIGHT GUARDS WHO HAVE ALREADY BEGUN THEIR DUTIES.

b. IN THEORY, THIS HQ MAY BE ASKED TO COORDINATE THE TRANSFER OF 200 PRISONERS PER DAY STARTING MONDAY, 16 OCT 95. HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICERS ARE VERY PESSIMISTIC ABOUT THE LISTS BEING READY. EVEN IF THE LISTS ARE READY, HR OFFICERS FEEL THAT THE PRISONERS WILL REFUSE TO LEAVE THE PRISON. THIS HQ WILL HAVE A TOUGH CHALLENGE IN "ORCHESTRATING" THIS MOVE, ESPECIALLY IF THE RPA RECEIVES INSTRUCTIONS TO FORCE PEOPLE OUT OF THE PRISON. MORE TO FOLLOW.

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THERE IS NO WAY WE CAN CONCENTRATE ON ACHIEVING OUR MANDATE WHEN OUR PERIMETER SECURITY IS NOT STABLE. THOSE NIGHT GUARDS SHOULD GREATLY HELP US FOCUSING ON THE GITARAMA PRISON WHICH CERTAINLY BE THE "FLAVOR OF THE MONTH TO COME".


R.V. BLANCHETTE

LT-COL

COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

FROM : SECTOR 1B HQ
TO : MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO : FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 081800 SEP TO 091800B OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- a. POLITICAL. THE SWEARING IN CEREMONIES FOR THE BOURGMESTRE'S OF MUKINGI (7160), KIGOMA (7649) AND TAMBWE (7653) COMMUNES TOOK PLACE TODAY. THE NAMES OF THE NEW BOURGMESTRE'S HAS ALREADY BEEN FORWARDED TO YOUR HQ YESTERDAY.

- b. MILITARY

- (1) RPA. NTR.
- (2) FRGE. NTR.
- (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- a. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
- b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED MUGINA COMMUNE (9267) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED THE COMMUNE CACHOT AND REPORTED THAT THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS HAS INCREASED FROM 194 TO 220. AMONGST THE PRISONERS ARRESTED RECENTLY 20 ARE CHARGED FOR GENOCIDE. THERE ARE 13 WOMEN PRISONERS IN THE COMMUNE CACHOT AND IT IS LEARNT THAT THEY ARE BEING TORTURED, HUMAN RIGHTS HAS BEEN INFORMED FOR NECESSARY INVESTIGATION.

(2) IT IS LEARNT THAT THE RICH HUTU BUSINESSMEN ARE BEING FALSELY IMPLICATED ON CHARGES OF GENOCIDE, WITH A

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VIEW TO EVENTUALLY GRAB THEIR PROPERTY. MORE TO FOLLOW.

(3) THE SECOND TEAM WENT TO ATTEND THE SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF THE BOURGMESTRE'S OF MUKINGI, KIGOMA AND TAMBWE COMMUNES.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.

a. INDBATT PROVIDED TRUCKS FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF 15 TONS OF FERTILIZER FOR GITARAMA PREFECTURE FROM KIGALI.

b. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1179, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1094 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICSVEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	02
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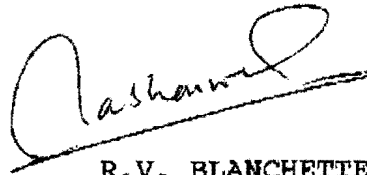
8. MILOBS STATE

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9. MISCELLANEOUS. IT HAS BEEN LEARNT FROM HUMAN RIGHTS THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE STATING THEIR DESIRE TO TRANSFER 1000 PRISONERS FROM GITARAMA PRISON TO NYANZA WITH EFFECT FROM 16 OCT 95, AT A RATE OF 200 PRISONERS A DAY. HOW EVER NO MENTION HAS BEEN MADE ABOUT THE ACTUAL CONDUCT OF TRANSFER INCLUDING ANY ASSISTANCE REQUIRED FROM UNAMIR. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE CONCERNED AUTHORITIES AT KIGALI MAY PLEASE BE CONTACTED SO THAT WE ARE NOT CAUGHT NAPPING AT THE LAST MOMENT.

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10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. NTR.



R.V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

FROM : SECTOR 1B HQ
TO : MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO : FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

DATE : 8 OCT 95

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 071800 SEP TO 081800B OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- a. POLITICAL. NTR.
- b. MILITARY

(1) RPA. TODAY MORNING RPA ESTABLISHED AN ADHOC CHECK POINT AT KABGAYI, ON THE ROAD GITARAMA BUTARE, VERY CLOSE TO SECTOR HQ. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT RPA ESTABLISHED CHECK POINT AT THIS PLACE. ON CHECKING FROM THE ADJUTANT OF RPA 11 BN, IT WAS REVEALED THAT IT WAS A ROUTINE CHECK POINT. THE CHECK POINT WAS HOW EVER REMOVED BY AFTERNOON. THIS HQ IS KEEPING A CLOSE WATCH ON THE ACTIVITIES OF RPA AND IF ANY THING UNUSUAL IS OBSERVED IT WILL BE REPORTED TO YOUR HQ.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

- a. SECTOR HQ. NTR.
- b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED BULINGA COMMUNE (6679) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO CONFIRMED THE ARRIVAL OF THREE RETURNEES FROM ZAIRE ON 07 OCT 95. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED BURAMBA (6883), BULINGA (6477) AND NYARUBAKA (8268) SECTORS AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. HOWEVER, LOCALS

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COMPLAINED ABOUT SHORTAGE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED KIGOMA COMMUNE (7649) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED MUKINGO (7345), NGWA (7249) AND KIRULI (7049) SECTORS AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. HOWEVER THE LOCALS COMPLAINED ABOUT SHORTAGE OF FOOD AND SEEDS.

(3) THERE WAS A CULTURAL PROGRAM ORGANIZED AT RUHANGO (7664) TODAY. AS THE MILOBS WERE INVITED, ONE TEAM WAS SENT TO ATTEND THE SAME. THE PROGRAM CONSISTED OF FOLK DANCES AND SHOWS PUT UP BY THE CHILDREN.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.

a. REFER PARA 3b ABOVE, THE MILOB TEAM WHICH WENT TO ATTEND THE CULTURAL PROGRAM TOOK Eatables FOR THE CHILDREN AS A GOOD WILL GESTURE.

b. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

5. **CIVIL AFFAIRS.** AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1179, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1094 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT SEPARATELY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

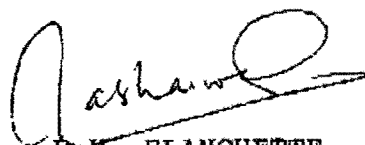
6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.**7. LOGISTICS****VEHICLE STATE:**

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

8. MILOBS STATE

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LEAVE/CTO	02
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9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. NTR.R.V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

FROM : [REDACTED] DATE : 5 OCT 95
TO : MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KISALI
INFO : FORCE HQ 54 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDRATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 041800 SEP TO 051800B OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

a. POLITICAL. ONE MILOB TEAM WITNESSED THE SWEARING IN CEREMONIES FOR NIAMABUKE (7570) AND MUSHUDATI (8570) COMMUNES. WE WILL FORWARD A LIST OF ALL NEW SOUVEREIGNESTRES AS SOON AS IT IS COMPLETED.

b. MILITARY

- (1) RRA. NTR.
- (2) INCE. NTR.
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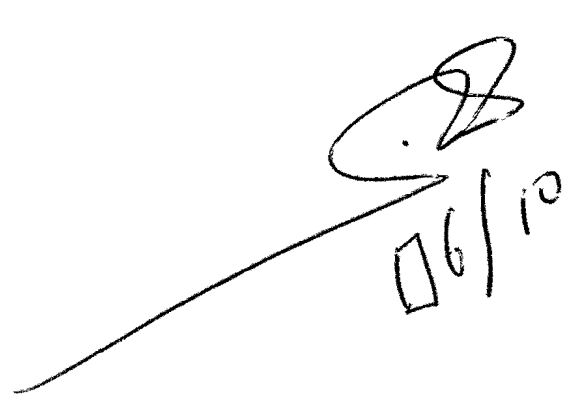
3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. SECTOR HQ. MILOB GP HQ STAFF COMPRISING OF OFFICIATING DCMO & SMPD, REP'S FROM OP, LOG AND PERS BRANCH VISITED THE SECTOR. THEY WERE BRIEFED BY THE SECTOR CDR ABOUT THE PREVAILING SITUATION IN THE SECTOR AND WERE GIVEN A FIRST HAND VIEW ABOUT THE FUNCTIONING OF THE VARIOUS BRANCHES IN THE SECTOR.

b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED MUKINGI COMMUNE (7160) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO CONFIRMED THAT THE NUMBER OF RETURNEES HAD INCREASED FROM 54 TO 86. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED THE COMMUNE CACHOT AND REPORTED THAT THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS HAD DECREASED FROM 96 TO 94.

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(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED TABA COMMUNE (8883) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM VISITED THE COMMUNE CACHOT AND REPORTED THAT THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS HAD INCREASED FROM 94 TO 110. MOST OF THE RECENT ARRESTS ARE FOR GENOCIDE. THE TEAM ALSO CONFIRMED THAT THE NUMBER OF RETURNEES HAD INCREASED FROM 39 TO 78.

(3) THE SAME TEAM ALSO FOLLOWED UP ON THE RECENT ARREST OF THE SCHOOL INSPECTOR. IT APPEARS THAT THERE IS A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY TEN PEOPLE, LED BY A SCHOOL TEACHER, WHICH IS FALSELY IMPLICATING MUTUS FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE GENOCIDE. THEY WOULD HAVE ACTUALLY PREPARED A LIST OF 415 TABA COMMUNE PEOPLE TO BE ARRESTED. THIS LIST WOULD HAVE MADE ITS WAY TO KIGALI. IT IS RUMORED THAT THIS SCHOOL INSPECTOR WAS EARMARKED TO BE THE NEXT BOURGMESTRE OF TABA COMMUNE, AND WAS A "VICTIM" OF THIS LIST. IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT TABA IS ONE OF THE THREE COMMUNES IN THE PREFECTURE WHERE A SWEARING IN CEREMONY HAS NOT BEEN PLANNED.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.

a. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTEBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

b. INDEBATT PROVIDED FOUR TRUCKS FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF FERTILIZER FOR GITARAMA PREFECTURE FROM KIGALI. INDEBATT NEEDS TO BE COMPLIMENTED FOR ITS RESPONSIVENESS AND TENACITY TO TAKE ON ADDITIONAL COMMITMENTS DESPITE THE FACT THAT ITS RESOURCES ARE HEAVILY OVER STRETCHED.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1159, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 1074 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES WAS SENT ON 30 SEP 95 AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICSVEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

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8. MILOB STATE

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	00
PRESENT	23

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.10. SECT. COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT.

a. THE VISIT OF STAFF OFFICERS FROM YOUR HQ WAS APPRECIATED. OUR HQ IS NOT FAR AWAY FROM YOURS, DO NOT HESITATE TO BOOK YOURSELVES FOR A LONGER STAY, EVEN TO GO ON PATROLS. THAT COULD GIVE ME A CHANCE TO ACCOMPANY YOU OUT TO THE COMMUNES WHERE I UNFORTUNATELY DO NOT GO OFTEN ENOUGH.

b. I ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR REQUEST TO HAVE RETURNEES STATISTICS AT THE SECTOR LEVEL (REF YOUR MILOB/CONF/7 DATED 20 AUG 95). HOWEVER, I WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING WHY YOU NEED THESE STATISTICS. AT MY LEVEL, I HAD INSTRUCTED THAT WE SHOULD NOT SPEND THE LITTLE TIME WE HAVE WITH CIVILIAN AUTHORITY TO UPDATE STATISTICS AT THE SECTOR LEVEL. MY INSTRUCTIONS WERE THAT LARGE CONCENTRATIONS SHOULD BE KNOWN WITHIN A COMMUNE BUT THAT FULL STATS AT SECTOR LEVEL ARE NOT REQUIRED BECAUSE TO UPDATE THESE STATISTICS IS VERY TIME CONSUMING. I WAS THEREFORE QUITE SURPRISED THAT YOUR HQ WOULD REQUIRE THEM EVEN AT THE COMMUNE LEVEL. NEVERTHELESS, I WILL GLADLY ADD MY TEARS TO CARRY ON THIS TASK BUT I WOULD APPRECIATE UNDERSTANDING MY NEED FOR THIS DETAILED DATA BANK AT YOUR LEVEL. WE HAVE TO REMEMBER THAT THE TIME WE WILL TAKE TO DO THIS COULD PERHAPS BE BETTER EMPLOYED IN OTHER SECTORS OF ACTIVITY.



P. V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

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FROM : SECTOR 1B HQ
TO : MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO : FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 031800 SEP TO 041800B OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

a. POLITICAL. THE SWEARING CEREMONIES FOR NEW BOURGMESTRES IN NYABIKENKE (7292) AND NYAKABANDA (6597) COMMUNES WENT WELL.

b. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE SECT CDR HAS REQUESTED AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE NEW RPA BDE CDR FOR FRIDAY, 6 OCT 95.

(2) FRGF. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. SECTOR HQ. THE FC VISITED THE SECTOR. HE WAS BRIEFED BY THIS SECTOR CDR ABOUT THE PREVAILING SITUATION IN SECTOR 1B, INCLUDING THE VARIOUS PROBLEMS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. THE FC CDR WAS VERY RECEPTIVE AND ENLIGHTENED THE AUDIENCE ABOUT THE GLOBAL SITUATION INCLUDING HIS PERCEPTIONS ABOUT THE THINGS TO COME IN THE COMING WEEKS/MONTHS.

b. TEAMS. IN VIEW OF THE FC'S VISIT THERE WERE NO PATROLS TODAY. HOWEVER ONE MILOB TEAM ACCOMPANIED THE PREFET TO NYABIKENKE AND NYAKABANDA FOR THE SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF THE NEW BOURGMESTRE'S. INFORMATION CONCERNING THESE BOURGMESTRES WILL BE SENT TO YOU SHORTLY.

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4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

a. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARDBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

b. INDRATT HAS KINDLY AGREED TO PROVIDE THREE OR FOUR TRUCK FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF FERTILIZER FROM NIGALI TO GITARAMA TOMORROW. WE WILL TRANSPORT A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE PREFECTURE'S TOMORROW MORNING TO GO TO INDRATT TO GUIDE THE CONVOY.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1079, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 994 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES WAS SENT ON 30 SEP AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICSVEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

8. MILORS STATE

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	04
PRESENT	19

9. MISCELLANEOUS. NTR.

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. THE FC DESCRIBED THE POSSIBILITY OF A MANDATE RENEWAL AS BEING 50/50, MOSTLY TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THAT DONOR COUNTRIES COULD TWIST THE GOVERNMENT'S ARM IN ACCEPTING A UN FORCE. HE IS NOT FAVORABLE TO A MILOB ONLY PRESENCE PAST 8 DEC 95. HIS ATTEMPT TO SECURE A REASONABLE SOMA WAS VERY WELL RECEIVED. I HAVE HAD A "HOT DEBRIEF" WITH ALL OFFICERS FOLLOWING THE VISIT AND ALL WERE EXTREMELY IMPRESSED WITH THE FC'S REALISTIC ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION.


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LT-COL

COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

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FROM : SECTOR 1B HQ
TO : MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO : FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
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SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 021800 SEP TO 031800B OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

a. POLITICAL. THE SWEARING IN CEREMONIES FOR NEW BOURGHESTRES IN NTONGWE (9257) AND MUGINA (9267) COMMUNES WENT WELL. OFFERING TRANSPORT TO OFFICIALS AND ATTENDING THE CEREMONY IS A GOOD WAY TO BETTER RELATIONS WITH CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES. THE PREFET EVEN CAME TO THIS HQ TO EXPRESS HIS GRATITUDE.

b. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED FROM THE RPA LIAISON OFFICER:

(a) HE NOW HAS AN OFFICE IN THE PREFECTURE BUILDING (WHICH IS A GOOD IDEA).

(b) THERE WERE RECENTLY NUMEROUS PROMOTIONS ANNOUNCED (SOME IN 305 BDE HQ).

(c) YOUR HQ MAY ALREADY HAVE THE INFO BUT THE 305 BDE IS COMPOSED OF THREE BATTALIONS. THE 31 (COMMANDED BY MAJOR MUEARAK) AND 9 BATTALION BOTH IN KIBUYE PREFECTURE AND THE 11 BATTALION IN GITARAMA PREFECTURE. IN THE SOUTH OF THE GITARAMA PREFECTURE, THERE ARE SOME ELEMENTS BELONGING TO THE 15 BATTALION OF THE 301 BDE. THESE ELEMENTS WILL SOON BE PULLED OUT TO BE REPLACED BY AN UNIDENTIFIED BATTALION WHICH IS STILL IN TRAINING

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AND WHICH WILL BECOME THE FOURTH BATTALION OF THE 305 BDE.

(2) FRGE. NTR.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. SECTOR HQ. THE NEW HUMAN RIGHTS MEMBERS WHO ARE PRESENTLY UNDERGOING ORIENTATION TRAINING AT KIGALI ARRIVED AT THIS LOCATION TODAY FOR FAMILIARIZATION. THE SECTOR CDR ADDRESSED THEM AND EXPLAINED TO THEM THE PREVAILING SITUATION IN SECTOR 1B.

b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED RUTOWE COMMUNE (7781) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO CONFIRMED THE ARRIVAL OF THE NEW BOURGMESTRE, MR NTAGANIRA WELLARS. HE WAS SWORN IN TODAY BY THE PREFET. THE NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN THE COMMUNE WAS ADJUSTED TO 163 FROM 161. THE COMMUNE HAS RECEIVED FOOD FROM WFP ON 30 SEP 95.

(2) THE TEAM ALSO VISITED NYAKABONGO (8655) AND NYABITARE (8455) SECTORS AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. LOCALS COMPLAINED ABOUT SHORTAGES OF SEEDS AND FARMING IMPLEMENTS.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED NYAKASANDA COMMUNE (6597) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM VISITED KIRWA SECTOR (6387) WHERE IT LEARNT THAT ON 28 SEP 95, ONE FAMILY WAS BEATEN BY TWO MEN IN UNIFORM AND ONE MAN IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES WHO THEN DEPARTED WITH HOUSEHOLD VALUABLES. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED KIBUMBA SECTOR (6494) AND CONFIRMED THE ARRIVAL OF 14 REFUGEES. IN SHAKI SECTOR (6400), SOME PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO PREACH NEW RELIGION UNDER THE THREAT THAT FAILURE TO CONVERT WILL BRING THE WRATH OF GOD.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES

a. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARDBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

b. THE GITARAMA PREFET HAS REQUESTED TRANSPORT FOR 47 TONS OF FERTILIZER FROM KIGALI TO GITARAMA. THIS HQ HAD

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DESCRIBED THIS TASK AS A LOWER PRIORITY IN HIS SITREPs DATED 12, 13, 14, 15 AND 16 SEP 95. THIS LOW PRIORITY HAS NOW BECOME A HIGHER PRIORITY WITH THE PROGRESS OF THE PLANTING SEASON. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF INDBATT COULD KINDLY FREE SOME TRANSPORT RESOURCES TO BEGIN THIS TASK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1079, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 994 SO FAR.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

8. MILOBs STATE

POSTED	23
LEAVE/CTO	04
PRESENT	19

9. MISCELLANEOUS

a. THE FORCE MEDICAL OFFICER SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT THE NAME OF THE MALI DOCTOR WHO WAS AT THIS HQ IN GITARAMA WITH THE TWO MALI CASUALTIES ON 1 OCT 95 WAS COMMANDANT ABDOULAYE DIALLO.

b. THIS SECTOR IS SET FOR THE FC'S VISIT TOMORROW.

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. NTR.



R.V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

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FROM : SECTOR 1B HQ
DATE : 2 OCT 95

TO : MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI ✓

INFO : FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
CO INDBATT
SECTOR 1A (KIGALI) ✓
SECTOR 2B (KIBUNGO)
SECTOR 3B (BUTARE)

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 011800 SEP TO 021800B OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIESa. POLITICAL

(1) THE RUTOBWE (7781) BOURGMESTRE HAS VISITED THE SECT CDR AND EXPLAINED THAT THE NOMINATION OF NEW BOURGMESTRES IS A VERY POSITIVE MOVE WHICH WILL ALLOW THEM TO MAKE MORE DECISIONS IN A TIMELY MANNER.

(2) A VERY RELIABLE SOURCE HAS INFORMED THE SECT CDR THAT THERE WOULD BE A SECRET "CREMATION OVEN" IN KIGALI CITY. IT IS REALIZED THAT INVESTIGATING THIS MATTER COULD BE VERY ARDUOUS.

b. MILITARY

(1) RPA. THE LOCAL RPA BATTALION CDR HAS INDICATED THAT LT-COL KAYONGA WILL LIKELY REMAIN IN GITARAMA EVEN THOUGH HIS SOLE RESPONSIBILITY IS NOW THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE WAR COUNCIL. HE HINTED THAT LT-COL KAYONGA WILL BE APPOINTED AS ASSISTANT TO COL NDEGEYINKA. THIS COULD BE A SERIOUS SETBACK IF THE OFFICER FROM THE

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FORMER REGIME BECOMES MORE OF A "FACADE" AT THE COMMAND OF THE BRIGADE.

(2) FRGF. THE RUTOBWE (7781) BOURGMESTRE CONTENTS THAT THE "TEMPERAST" RELIGIOUS SECT OPERATING IN THE PREFECTURE IS CLEARLY A DISGUISE FOR FRGF OPERATIONS. TO SUPPORT HIS POINT, HE RELATED A SUCCESSFUL ARREST CASE IN RUHENGARI WHERE A FORMER FRGF WAS IDENTIFIED IN A "PREACHING" GROUP. WEAPONRY WAS FOUND AT HIS HOUSE. HE IS CONVINCED THAT RECCES ARE CONDUCTED THROUGH THESE PREACHING GROUPS WHICH HAVE A COVER-UP TO CIRCULATE.

(3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. SECTOR HQ. THE SECTOR CDR MET THE KABGAYI BISHOP TODAY AND DISCUSSED THE FOLLOWING:

(1) MORE INFO HAS BEEN OBTAINED ON THE ATTEMPTED AMBUSH ON HIM ON 24 SEP 95 TO DETERMINE WHO COULD HAVE MASTERMINDED IT.

(2) HE IS NOW READY TO USE SOME OF HIS FUNDS (CARITAS) TO HELP THE SITUATION IN COMMUNE CACHOTS NOW THAT THE ENLARGEMENT WORK AT THE GITARAMA PRISON ARE ALMOST OVER. THIS QUESTION WILL BE STUDIED AT THIS HQ.

(3) THE RECENT WAVE OF ARRESTS AND THE NEED TO OBTAIN STATISTICS AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL (THIS SECTOR WILL PROVIDE HIM WITH STATS FOR THE PREFECTURE) TO CONFRONT AUTHORITIES.

(4) HE MENTIONED THAT THE RPA HAD VERY BADLY REACTED TO HIS INTERVIEW ON RADIO UNAMIR ON 16 SEP 95. THIS SECTOR HAS REQUESTED A COPY TO UNAMIR PAFFO TODAY AND A PROMPT REPLY WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

(5) HE IS VERY CONCERNED THAT UNAMIR AUTHORITIES HAVE YET TO ALLOW HIM TO KEEP THE 100 KW GENERATOR WHICH HE DEEMS IT TO BE THE LIFEblood OF KABGAYI.

b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED RUTOBWE COMMUNE (7781) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED THE COMMUNE CACHOT AND REPORTED 81 PRISONERS. ON 8 SEP, ONLY 49 WERE REPORTED. AMONG THE 81 PRISONERS, 66 ARE SUSPECTED GENOCIDE CASES AND 15 FOR COMMON CRIMES.

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AMONG THE 15 COMMON CRIME CASES, 9 WERE ARRESTED FOR DISTURBANCE OF PUBLIC PEACE BY MEANS OF PREACHING A DIVISIVE RELIGION (SEE PARA 2.b.(2)).

(2) THE TEAM ALSO VISITED THE TECHNICAL SCHOOL IN SHYANDA (7680) SECTOR. THE SCHOOL DIRECTOR COMPLAINED ABOUT THE LACK OF SCIENCE EQUIPMENT.

b. A VISIT TO THE GITARAMA PRISON WAS ORGANIZED AT THE LAST MINUTE TODAY FOR A GERMAN FILM CREW WHO WAS ACCOMPANYING THE GERMAN CIVPOL CONTINGENT COMMANDER. NO AUTHORIZATION HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND THE FILMING COULD NOT TAKE PLACE BUT ONE OF THE REPORTERS ACCEPTED TO GO INSIDE. HE HAD TO GET OUT QUICKLY BECAUSE OF DISCOMFORT.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES IS CONTINUING.

5. REFUGEE AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1077, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 992 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES WAS SENT YESTERDAY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICS

VEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	02
SERVICEABLE	05

8. MILCOBS STATE

POSTED	23
LEAVE/OTO	04
PRESENT	19

9. MISCELLANEOUS

a. AS REQUESTED YESTERDAY, YOU ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM THIS HQ OF WHAT DOCUMENTS YOU WANT TO INSPECT DURING YOUR VISIT ON THURSDAY, 4 OCT 95.

b. THE ITINERARY FOR THE PC'S VISIT WILL BE FAXED TO THE PC ADC TONIGHT (WE WILL SEND A COPY FOR YOUR INFO).

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c. YOUR VERBAL REFUSAL TO ACCEPT THIS HQ'S RECOMMENDATION NOT TO CHANGE LOGISTIC OFFICERS ONE FOR ONE WITH SECTOR 3B IS ACKNOWLEDGED. THIS HQ WILL LIAISE DIRECTLY WITH SECTOR 3B FOR THE COORDINATION OF THE TWO HANDOVERS WHICH WILL HAVE TO TAKE PLACE.

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I HAVE NOTHING TO SAY FOR NOW.



R.V. BLANCHETTE
LT-COL
COMMANDER SECTOR 1B GITARAMA

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FROM : SECTOR 1B HQ
TO : MILOBS GP HQ
FORCE HQ KIGALI
INFO : FORCE HQ G4 COORD (MILITARY)
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SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 301800 SEP TO 011800B OCT 95

1. SITUATION

- a. GENERAL. CALM.
- b. BORDERS. NTR.

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- a. POLITICAL. NTR.
- b. MILITARY
 - (1) RPA. NTR.
 - (2) FRGF. NTR.
 - (3) OTHERS. NTR.

3. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

a. SECTOR HQ. THE SECTOR CDR ATTENDED AN ENGAGEMENT CEREMONY IN MUSHUBATI COMMUNE (6970). ON HIS WAY BACK, AROUND 1715 HRS, HE PICKED UP A STRETCHER CASE WOMAN WHO WAS ABOUT TO GIVE BIRTH, WHO HAD MALARIA AND WHO HAD JUST BEEN BEATEN BY HER HUSBAND. WHEN HE ARRIVED AT KABGAYI HOSPITAL, RPA SOLDIERS GUARDING THE GITARAMA PRISON'S MEDICAL CASES INFORMED HIM THAT TWO UN SOLDIERS WERE RECEIVING TREATMENT FOLLOWING A ROAD ACCIDENT. THE ACCIDENT TOOK PLACE 41 KM FROM GITARAMA TOWARDS BUTARE. FOUR PASSENGERS WERE IN VEH UNAMIR 1158. THIS SECTOR HAS DISPATCHED A MILOB TEAM AT 1745 TO RECOVER THE VEHICLE AND THEY ARRIVED AT THE SCENE AT 1825 HRS. ONE PASSENGER WAS LEFT AT SCENE TO GARD THE VEHICLE. THE THREE CASUALTIES ARE WALKING BUT HAVE RELATIVELY SERIOUS HEAD WOUNDS.

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b. TEAMS

(1) ONE MILOB TEAM VISITED TAMBWE COMMUNE (7653) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED NYAMAGANA (7453) AND GITISE (7253) SECTORS AND CONFIRMED THAT THE SITUATION IS CALM. LOCALS COMPLAINED ABOUT THE SHORTAGE OF FOOD, SEEDS AND FERTILIZERS.

(2) THE SECOND TEAM VISITED KAYENZI COMMUNE (8389) AND REPORTED THE SITUATION AS CALM. THE TEAM ALSO VISITED FOUR SECTORS, CUBI (8092), KAYENZI, MARENKA (8091) AND KIRWA SECTORS. THE SITUATION WAS REPORTED TO BE CALM IN ALL THE SECTORS EXCEPT THAT THREE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED IN KAYENZI SECTOR ON 25 SEP 95. THE TEAM COULD NOT CONFIRM IF THE ARRESTS WERE FOR GENOCIDE OR COMMON CRIMINAL CASES AS THE COMMUNE OFFICES WERE CLOSED. IN CUBI (8092) AND KIRWA (8591) SECTORS, LOCALS COMPLAINS OF AN INCREASE IN CATTLE THEFT.

4. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. THE TASK OF DELIVERING CARTBOARDS OF SCHOOL FURNITURES TO VARIOUS COMMUNES DID NOT TAKE PLACE TODAY. BOTH THE PREFET OFFICES WHERE THE ITEMS ARE KEPT WERE CLOSED AS WELL THE COMMUNE OFFICES WHERE THE ITEMS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE DELIVERED.

5. CIVIL AFFAIRS. AS PER THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES IN SECTOR 1B IS 1077, BUT WE HAVE ONLY CONFIRMED 992 SO FAR. THE BREAKDOWN BY COMMUNES HAS BEEN SENT TODAY AS PART OF THE WEEKLY REPORT.

6. BORDER CROSSINGS BY RETURNEES. NA.

7. LOGISTICSVEHICLE STATE:

ON CHARGE	07
UNDER REPAIR	01
SERVICEABLE	06

8. MILOBs STATE

POSTED	24
LEAVE/CTO	04
PRESENT	20

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9. MISCELLANEOUS. YOU ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM THIS HQ OF WHAT DOCUMENTS YOU WANT TO INSPECT DURING YOUR VISIT ON THURSDAY, 4 OCT 95.

10. SECT COMMANDER'S ASSESSMENT. I AM EXPECTING SOME INTERESTING INFORMATION FROM MY MEETING WITH THE KABGAYI BISHOP TOMORROW MORNING. I WILL ALSO ATTEMPT TO HAVE AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE NEW RPA BDE CDR. INTERESTING WEEK AHEAD WITH THE FC'S VISIT ON WEDNESDAY AND YOUR STAFF OFFICERS' VISIT ON THURSDAY.



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