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Political Advisers' Case Files - Browne, Captain William Richard 09/03/1961 - 25/05/1962

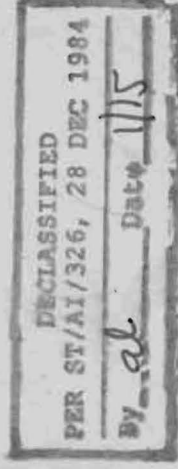
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Note: Also called:

R.W. Browne  
Richard Browne  
Brown  
George Brown

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S 191605Z

FM ONUC LEO

TO ONUC ELI

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S E C R E T EV860

IVAN SMITH RAJA FROM LINNER.

REFERENCE YOUR ELLEO 414 RECORD HERE DO NOT INDICATE ANY EVIDENCE

OF CAPTAIN BROWN HAVING BEEN ON UNION MINIERE PAYROLL AT ANYTIME.

OBRIEN RAJA REPORTS DEALS WITH GENERAL QUESTION OF MERCENARIES BEING  
PLACED ON UNION MINIERE PAYROLL WITHOUT SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO ANY

INDIVIDUALS. AS FAR AS IS KNOWN BROWN MADE TWO OF THREE TRIPS OF VERY  
SHORT DURATION TO ELISABETHVILLE AFTER HIS FIRST REPATRIATION. EXPECT

YOUR WILL GIVE US WHATEVER INFORMATION YOU HAVE ON MATTERS REFERRED  
TO IN SECOND SENTENCE IN OUR EV 818

455/19/HM/191830Z DEC 61

S 151407Z

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TO ONUG ELI

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S E C R E T EV818 IVANSMITH RAJA FROM LINNER.

REUR ELLEO 370 WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR INFORMING US WHAT EN 697 HAVE  
THAT CAPTAIN BROWNE HAS RETURNED ON UNION MINIERE PAYROLL. ALSO  
IMPORTANT RECEIVE NAMES OF OTHER MERCENARIES KNOWN TO BE ON UNION  
MINIERE PAYROLL AND SOURCES YOUR INFORMATION ON THIS MATTER ON  
MANUFACTURING OF ARMoured CARS AND AERIAL BOMBS BY MINIERE

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327/15/W/151135Z DEC 61

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

DATE 15DEC61

SECRET - PRIORITY - ELLEO 414 - LINNER FROM URQUHART

YOUR EV 818 AM INFORMED HERE AND ALSO RECOLLECT THAT CAPTAIN BROWN WHEN HE BRIEFLY RETURNED TO KATANGA WAS FOUND TO BE ON UNION MINIERE PAY ROLL. SUGGEST KANAKARATNE CHECK RECORDS OF MERCENARIES INTERROGATION. MY RECOLLECTIONS ARE FROM CABLES READ IN NEWYORK AND O'BRIEN RAJA REPORT OF 23 OCT ALSO INDICATES THIS STATE OF AFFAIRS.

S 141730Z

FM ONUC LEO

TO ONUC ELI

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S E C R E T EV813 IVAN SMITH FROM LINNER

YOUR ELLEO 370 PARA 2 FROM WHAT SOURCE DO YOU HAVE THAT CAPTAIN  
BROWNE IS ON UNION MINIERE PAYROLL QUERY

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327/14/WRM/150155Z DEC 61

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FROM ONUC EVILLE  
TO ONUC LEO  
DATE 10 NOVEMBER 61

SECRET - PRIORITY - ELLEO 126 - LINNER FROM O'BRIEN

REUR EV 626 WE CAN CONFIRM THAT LASIMONE WAS ARRESTED, IMPRISONED AND LEFT THE COUNTRY. THE REASON FOR THIS ARREST WAS THAT HE WAS SUSPECTED OF BEING IN CONTACT WITH THE UN. SINCE MISS ERFIELD'S DEPARTURE FOR LEOPOLDVILLE HE HAS BEEN SUSPECTED ON THIS GROUND AND COLONEL FAULQUES HAS BEEN URGING HIS REMOVAL AS A SECURITY RISK. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT HIS RECENT CONTACTS WITH US BECAME KNOWN. HE WAS ARRESTED BY THE GENDARMERIE PROBABLY ON FAULQUES' ORDERS. THE ARREST OF LASIMONE, LIKE THE EARLIER ARREST OF BROWN, DOES NOT REPEAT NOT IMPLY ANY CHANGE IN THE ATTITUDE OF KATANGESE AUTHORITIES TOWARDS THE EMPLOYMENT OF MERCENARIES. BOTH BROWN AND LASIMONE WERE REGARDED AS SECURITY RISKS AND BOTH HAD PERSONAL ENEMIES IN THE MERCENARY ESTABLISHMENT.

C O P I E

ETAT DU KATANGA  
Cabinet du Président

Elisabethville, le 24 octobre 1961

No 10.I/802

A Monsieur le Ministre de l'Intérieur

Diffusé à: Monsieur le Commandant en Chef  
des Forces Armées du Katanga  
Monsieur l'Administrateur Général  
de la Sûreté

Monsieur le Ministre,

Des informations me sont parvenues au sujet de la conduite déplorable du sieur BROWN, de nationalité Sud-Africaine, aincien membre de la Gendarmerie Katangaise.

L'intéressé est revenu illégalement au Katanga et se fait remarquer actuellement à Elisabethville dans les bars et autres lieux publics par ses beuveries et propos incohérents tenus devant des tiers, notamment des représentants de la presse internationale.

Il est à noter à ce sujet que BROWN se proposerait de voler des avions katangais pour les revendre au Copperbelt.

L'intéressé se montre très aigri du fait qu'il ne parvient pas à obtenir un nouveau contrat à la Gendarmerie Katangaise, et sa conduite devient de plus en plus dangereuse pour la sécurité de l'Etat du Katanga.

De plus, BROWN serait constamment porteur de deux pistolets pour lesquels il n'a sûrement pas obtenu une autorisation de port-d'armes.

Je vous prie de bien vouloir donner des instructions en vue de mettre fin aux agissements de l'intéressé et de prendre une mesure d'expulsion à son égard.

Le Président de l'Etat du Katanga,

SECRET

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

DATE 13 AUGUST 1961

PRIORITY - ELLEO 716 - LINNER FROM TOMBELAIN

1. REOUR ELLEO 715 - HERE IS BROWNES ADDRESS :  
RICHARD BROWNE HALFWAY HOUSE, PRETORIA ROAD, JOHANNESBURG.  
TELEPHONE 33.



SECRET

FM ONUC EVILLE  
TO ONUC LEO  
DATE 12 AUGUST 1961

PRIORITY - ELLED 715 - LINGER FROM TOMBELAIN

HERE IS PRELIMINARY ANSWER TO YOUR EV-367. HUYGHE LEFT FOR PARIS BY UAT ON 3 AUGUST. AS FOR BROWNE I BELIEVE THAT HE IS STILL AT HIS HOME IN JOHANNESBURG AND THAT LAST NEWS OF HIS PRESENCE IN EVILLE WAS ERRONEOUS. I WILL CHECK ON THESE TWO AND ON THE PILOTS AND WILL SEND YOU MORE DETAILS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. MAY I ALSO SUGGEST THAT TIGRE WHO HAS BEEN FOR YEARS MUNONGO'S RIGHT HAND MIGHT BE OF INTEREST TO INVESTIGATION COMMISSION. HE IS LEAVING KATANGA ON 15 AUGUST AND I SHALL INFORM YOU OF HIS DESTINATION.

P 121225Z

FM ONUC LEO

TO ONUC ELI

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SECRET EV367 TOMBELAINE FROM LINDNER.

REUR 670 AND 677 INVESTIGATION COMMISSION HAS REQUESTED SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT HUYCHES DESTINATION. ALSO PERSENT WHEREABOUTS OF BROWNE WHOM COMMISSION IS ANXIOUS TO INTERROGATE IN GENEVA.

GRATEFUL FOR INFORMATION BY CALBE. COMMISSION ALSO WISHES TO KNOW PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF ONE CAPTAIN DIXON REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN THE PILOT OF THE PLANE WHICH CONVEYED MR LUMBISA TO ELISABETHVILLE ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPER REPORTS. ALSO PLEASE ASCERTAIN IF POSSIBLE ANY INFORMATION RELATING TO ONE CAPTAIN BAUWENS OF AIR CONGO. THIS INFORMATION IS TO BE TREATED AS CONFIDENTIAL

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6/12/AP/121655Z AUG 61

SECRET

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

DATE 1 AUGUST 61

PRIORITY - ELLEO 670 - LINNER MACEOIN FROM CRUISE O'BRIEN

PRESS CIRCLES HERE HAVE AN UNCONFIRMED BUT FAIRLY CIRCUMSTANTIAL REPORT THAT THE REBOUNDED MERCENARY GEORGE BROWN OF WHOSE RETURN WE HEARD RUMOURS - SEE OUR 653 - HAS BEEN ARRESTED BY THE GENDARMERIE ON A CHARGE OF ESPIONNAGE FOR THE UN IN CONNECTION WITH THE INQUIRY INTO THE DEATH OF LUMUMBA. THIS SEEMS NOT IMPROBABLE AND IS LIKELY TO BE THE WORK OF HUYGHE. ✓ WE ARE INVESTIGATING THE RUMOUR AND, IF IT IS TRUE, WILL ASK THE GENDARMERIE TO HAND OVER BROWN TO US FOR EXPULSION. WE SHALL NOT PRESS VERY HARD HOWEVER AS A GOOD FRIGHT AT THE HANDS OF THE GENDARMERIE IS PROBABLY THE BEST WAY OF BRINGING HOME TO BROWN THAT HE HAS NO REAL FUTURE IN KATANGA. HUYGHE HIMSELF IS SAID TO BE PLANNING DEPARTURE BUT WE HAVE NO DEFINITE INFORMATION ON THIS. IF YOU WISH HIM HELD IN CONNECTION WITH THE LUMUMBA CASE WE CAN APPREHEND HIM AND SEND HIM TO YOU.

Mil Info

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MEMORANDUM

MIL INFO 5/A/3-9

HQ ONUC LEOPOLDVILLE

17 JUL 61

HQ ONUC

SOUTH KATANGA

ELISABETHVILLE

BROWNE

1. Further to our Ops 1186 dated 17 Jul 61.
- 2.



3. Please return at your convenience.

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Major

Acting Chief Military Information

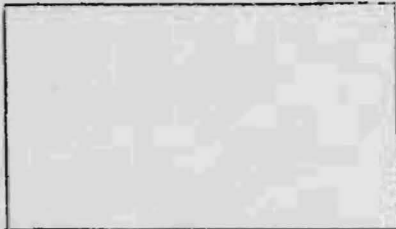
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CONGO  
INTERROGATION TEAM  
MILITARY INFORMATION

FILE...24/2.....  
DATE 14 April 1961

QUESTIONNAIRE

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CASE NO. 1.....

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

1. NAME.....BROWNE William Richard.....
2. DATE - YEAR OF BIRTH....21 February 1926.....
3. PLACE OF BIRTH.....BLANDFORD, ENGLAND.....
4. MARRIED/SINGLE. Elisabeth Catherine. - British.....  
3 children 9-5-2 boys - 1 born Malaya
5. NATIONALITY 2 born S. Africa  
a. PREVIOUS.....BRITISH.....  
b. PRESENT..Not lived in England since 1947.....

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PERSONAL PARTICULARS (continued)

6. LANGUAGES
- a. MOTHER TONGUE.....ENGLISH.....
- b. OTHERS..MALAYAN AFRIKAANS (not fluent). little school french
7. EDUCATION.....SCHOOL CERTIFICATE.....
- .....(Secondary School).....
- .....
8. RELIGION....CHURCH OF ENGLAND.....
9. EMPLOYMENT
- a. PAST...NAVY (Ex Midship) 1943-46 - Army Police Force
- 1947-55 Malaya - Salesman Freelance French Jewelers
- Johannesburg - FISIONS Chemicals - Union Safeguards
- Financial Security Consultant against theft.....
- b. BEFORE JOINING.....
- FINANCIAL MAIL
- .....
10. LOCATION OF FAMILY (nationality)...Outside Johannesburg
- P.O. Half Way House, Johannesburg
- .....
11. HEIGHT.....6'1 1/2".....
12. WEIGHT.....220 lbs.....
13. COMPLEXION.....Dark Brown.....
14. EYES.....Grey-Green.....
15. HAIR.....Brown.....
16. DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL MARKS...Scar Right forearm...
- and Elbow/Tattoo Right forearm scottish thistle (Malta)
- MOUSTACHE
17. STATE OF HEALTH.....GOOD.....

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PERSONAL PARTICULARS (continued)

18. NEXT OF KIN, RELATIONSHIP, ADDRESS.....  
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REGIMENTAL PARTICULARS

1. REGT NO. .... Compagnie Internationale.....  
2. RANK..... Army Captain.....  
3. MILITARY SERVICE.....  
    Signed contract February 3rd in South Africa 1 week  
    early March.  
.....  
4. LOCATION RECRUITING CENTRES... Read advertisement in  
    Johannesburg - signed in E-ville Ave Kambour, Katanga  
    Gendarmerie......  
5. IDENTIFICATION RECRUITING PERSONNEL.....  
    None  
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6. CONDITIONS OF SERVICE  
    a. CONTRACT..... 6 months signed 3 Feb. 1961....  
    b. PAY..... £ 180 per month.....  
    c. MEDICAL AND DENTAL..... Yes.....  
    d. PENSION... Insured against invalidity and death  
7. TRAINING... 1 night in SHINKOLOBWE and ELISABETHVILLE  
    On range in SHINKOLOBWE  
8. EQUIPMENT (weapons - transport etc)... Automatic Rifle FL  
    US - British-Belg Jeeps and Volkswagen  
    .....  
    Mounted machineguns Browning and FN Mg on VW Kombe  
    .....  
9. IDENTIFICATION..... Passport British.....  
10. CLOTHING... Gendarmerie Uniform with Yellow and red neckchief

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REGIMENTAL PARTICULARS (continued)

- \*\*Total Strength 1. \*\*UNIT (include experience)..... COY INTERNATIONALE.....
- Fighting Unit PIANA - reconnaissance against MANONO - Kitomba Tomba on road to  
38-40. Never met MANONO - 4 points of resistance MANONO - MUYUMBA ambush 1st  
rest at SHINKO - class well concealed - 1 man wounded - back to MANONO - KONGOLO  
3 capt and 2 Lts 10 minutes DC3 and Ammo + Dr + rations - KABALO  
earmarked
12. NAMES OF OFFICERS IN CHARGE.... CRIVICOUR.....  
... MATHYS CAPT PROTION CAPT PIRRE and LT.....  
.....
13. NAMES OF NCOs IN CHARGE.... SGT MACARTHUR and SGT.....  
ORBORNE - same pay as rest - Rank.....  
... given by Capt Browne.....

POLITICAL PARTICULARS

1. AFFILIATION..... Conservative (in SA none).....  
Anti-Apartheid - very progressive - against race discrimination  
and associate with Indian
2. MOTIVATION.....  
Anti-nationalist. Anti-communist feelings.  
2 children invalid owing to ambush of mother by communists  
during pregnancy... Brother Conservative Member of Parliament  
for Nth Devon. "Would be good idea if Verwoerd was knocked off"

GENERAL PARTICULARS

1. DATE OF ENTRY INTO THE CONGO.....  
DURATION OF STAY IN THE CONGO.....
2. TRANSPORTATION FROM HOME COUNTRY TO SITE OF  
CAPTURE/SURRENDER..... UAT AIRCRAFT DC8  
Independent French Airline/Sabena - South African Airway
3. DATE AND PLACE OF CAPTURE/SURRENDER.....  
.....
4. BY WHOM CAPTURED/TO WHOM SURRENDERED.....  
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GENERAL PARTICULARS (continued)

5. PASSPORT

BRITISH

- a. ISSUING NATION.....P.O..BOX 500 CAPE TOWN.....
- b. NUMBER.....
- c. DATE ISSUED...recently - January 1961.....
- d. AUTHENTICATED.....Cape Town authorities.....
- e. VISAS.....South African Exit Visa.....  
No entry visa - said he was going to E-Ville on  
'business'.....
- f. CURRENCY ANNOTATIONS.....  
approx £ 10 nothing else.....

Signatures

COL. B. EGGE

Interrogator

W R BROWN

Person being interviewed

DATE..... 11 April 1961.....  
TIME..... 1400 hrs.....  
PLACE..... KAMINA.....

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REMARKS BY  
INTERROGATION TEAM  
ON  
CASE NO.....1.....

1. Summarize your views
  - a. Motivations of person being interviewed
  - b. Cooperation of person being interviewed
  - c. Sincerity of person being interviewed
  
- a. Family trouble + economic
- b. Cooperative after initial reluctance
- c. Some information dubious  
Did not give all facts  
Felt let down by Belgians  
Advised KABALO ops to be cancelled  
Advice taken by Lt Col CREVICOUR and Maj MATHYS  
but disregarded by Maj DELVILLE  
Disappointed at the whole adventure.

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REPATRIATION PARTICULARS

DATE REPATRIATED.....  
FROM..... TO.....  
MEANS OF REPATRIATION.....  
PASSAGE PAID BY.....

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FROM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

DATE 15 JULY 1961

ROUTINE - ELLEO 563 - LINNEN MACEOIN FROM CRUISE O'BRIEN AND EGGE.

STRONG RUMOURS IN TOWN OF EX-MERCENARY CAPTAIN R.W. BROWNE'S FOURTH  
RETURN TO EVILLE. HAVE ISSUED ORDERS TO ARREST HIM IF SIGHTED.  
GENDARMERIE COOPERATES AND IS SEARCHING TOWN BY PATROLS TO PICK HIM  
UP. IF SUCCESSFUL, WE WILL SEND HIM TO LEO FOR INTERROGATION AND  
FURTHER PROCESSING. STOP ENDALL.

FM ONUC ELISABETHVILLE

TO ONUC LEOPOLDVILLE

24 JUNE 1961

*Browne*

PRIORITY ELLEO 462 LINNER MACEOIN FROM OBRIEN EGGE

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE INFORMED US TODAY THAT EX-MERCENARY CAPTAIN BROWNE REAPPEARED IN ELISABETHVILLE WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE. AFTER HAVING ENTERED KATANGA ILLEGALLY BY ROAD WITHOUT PASSPORT, BROWNE HAD DYED HIS HAIR GREY AND SHAVED OFF HIS MOUSTACHE BUT WAS RECOGNIZED AND APPREHENDED BY THE GENDARMERIE. BROWNE WAS EXPELLED BY KATANGESE AUTHORITIES AND PUT ON THE ~~same~~ PLANE TO JOHANNESBURG THE SAME DAY. UUNN HAD NO CONNAISSANCE OF THIS BEFORE THE INFORMATION REACHED US TODAY.

SECRET

PRIORITY NATIONS

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

13 JUNE 1961

LINNER MACEOIN FROM BRACKENBURY EGGE.

EGGE HAD MEETING WITH HUYGHE TODAY AND INFORMED HIM HIS PRESENCE WANTED LEO TO EXPLAIN CERTAIN POINTS OF INTEREST TO UN. NO SPECIFIC SUBJECT MENTIONED. HUYGHE UNWILLING COMMIT HIMSELF GO LEO WITHOUT FIRST DISCUSSING WITH MUNONGO AND OF COURSE REQUESTED GUARANTEE SAFE RETURN EVILLE. EGGE WAS CONFIRMED IN HIS ASSESSMENT THAT HUYGHES INFLUENCE MUCH EXAGGERATED. CHARGES AGAINST HUYGHE LARGELY BASED ON BROWNE'S AND CARGILL'S STATEMENTS, WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN EXAGGERATED DUE TO JEALOUSY ON BROWNE'S PART AND FEAR OF DETECTION ON CARGILL'S PART WHO HAD IMPROPERLY USED KATANGA GOVERNMENT MONEY ENTRUSTED TO HIM. WE FEEL THAT INTERROGATORS SHOULD COME EVILLE AS HE IS PREPARED TO BE INTERROGATED. DECISION ON WHETHER TO ARREST HIM OR NOT COULD THEN BE DEFERRED UNTIL RESULTS OF INTERROGATION ARE KNOWN.

BRACKENBURY

*Browne*

PRIORITY NATIONS

021440Z

FM ONUC LEO

TO ONUC ELI

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S E C R E T EV223 BRACKENBURY KJELLGREN FROM LINNER MACEOIN

RE TOUR ELLEO 384. AGREE YOU DELAY ACTION ON BROWN UNTIL MONDAY NIGHT IF HE HAS  
NOT ALREADY LEFT BY THEN

BT

08/C21525Z JUN 61

*Brown*

SECRET

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

2 JUNE 1961

ROUTINE ELLEO 389 FOR LINNER MACBOIN FROM BRACKENBURY

BROWN LEFT BY TRAIN FOR RHODESIA MIDDAY TODAY

BRACKENBURY



SECRET

Browne

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

1 JUNE 1961

PRIORITY ELLEO 379 FOR LINNIE MACBOIN FROM BRACKENBURY

REUR EV220 - TIGNEE HAS JUST INFORMED ME BROWNE IS LEAVING TODAY OR TOMORROW.

REQUEST YOU AUTHORIZE KJELLGREN DELAY ACTION PARA 2. YOUR CABLE UNTIL SATURDAY.

I SAW BRITISH CONSUL YESTERDAY AND EMPHASIZED THAT BROWNE MUST LEAVE. IN

DISCUSSION WITH TIGNEE IM EMPHASIZED URGENCY OF BROWNE'S DEPARTURE AND HE AGREED

OBTAIN EXPULSION ORDER. HE NOW INFORMS ME THAT DUE CONSUL'S INTERVENTION BROWNE

IS GOING TODAY OR TOMORROW. I BELIEVE GOVERNMENT, AND ALSO CONSUL, HAVE ACTED

IN GOOD FAITH THROUGHOUT BUT A GENUINE MISUNDERSTANDING AROSE DURING AN INTERVIEW

BETWEEN TIGNEE AND CONSUL REGARDING ATTITUDE OF CONSUL TO BROWN'S EXPULSION.

BRACKENBURY

SECRET

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

1 JUNE 1961

PRIORITY ELLEO 384 FOR LINNER FROM BRACKENBURY

*Browne*

REMY ELLEO 379 I FIND NO PLANE JOHANNESBURG BEFORE SUNDAY. THEREFORE NO USEFUL  
PURPOSE WAITING ~~SET~~TURDAY AND INTEND PICK-UP BROWNE TOMORROW UNLESS HE CROSSES  
FRONTIER TO RHODESIA. BROWNE PHONED ME TODAY ASKING FOR TIME UNTIL MONDAY WHICH  
I REFUSED BUT THING HE GENUINELY INTENDS LEAVING

BRACKENBURY

SECRET

*Browne*

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

DATE 26 MAY 1961

PRIORITY ELLEO 365 FOR LINNER AND MACEIN FROM DUMONTET KJELLGREN

YOUR EV 218 WHEN WE RECEIVED YOUR MESSAGE I WAS ABOUT TO INFORM YOU THAT UK CONSUL HAD DISCUSSED CARE OF BROWNE WITH ME AND I RAISED IT WITH MUNONGO TWO DAYS AGO. MUNONGO AGREED THAT HE SHOULD BE EXPELLED. ON RECEIPT OF YOUR CABLE I CALLED MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND LEARNED THAT NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE. TODAY BEING DAY OFF FOR KATANGA OFFICIALS MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO DO ANYTHING. I HOPE TO OBTAIN FINAL DECISION TOMORROW MORNING. IF NOT COL KJELLGREN WILL TAKE ACTION ACCORDING YOUR INSTRUCTIONS.

DUMONTET

PN OII935Z

FM ONUC LEO

TO ONUC ELI

BT

S E C R E T EV 222 BRACKENBURY FROM LINNER MACEOIN

REYOUR ELLEO 379 AGREE YOU DELAY ACTION AS PER PARAGRAPH 2 OF EV220 UNTIL  
SATURDAY IF BROWNE HAS NOT LEFT BY THEM

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02/OI/HR/OI2105Z MAY 61

*Browne*

R 301900Z

FM ONUC LEO

TO ONUC EVILLE

BT

Browne

S E C R E T EV220 KJELLGREN FROM LINNER MACEOIN. RETOUR OPS I52.

1. THE UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNEMENT HAS STATED PUBLICLY THAT IT WILL WITHDRAW THE PASSPORTS OF ALL MERCENARIES AND OTHER BRITISH NATIONALS WHOSE PRESENCE IN THE CONGO IS CONTRARY TO A-2 OF 21 FEBRUARY RESOLUTION. AFTER BROWNES CAPTURE AND BEFORE HIS HANDING OVER TO THE BRITISH EMBASSY IN LEO FOR REPATRIATION, THE GOVERNEMENT OF BOTH UK AND SOUTH AFRICAN UNION CONFIRMED THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO PREVENT THE RETURN OF MERCENAIRES EXPELLED FROM THE CONGO. A FAILURE TO FULFILL THESE OBLIGATIONS MAY HAVE SERIOUS EFFECTS IF REPORTED TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL. YOU MAY BRING THESE POINTS TO THE CONSULS ATTENTION IN CASE HE IS NOT AWARE OF THEM.

2. IF NO ACTION TO EVACUATE BROWNE FROM KATANGA IS TAKEN WITHIN 48 HOURS OF THE RECEIPT OF THIS SIGNAL YOU WILL ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARA C OF YOUR OPS I52

BT

03/31/HR/310705Z/ MAY 61

P 252130Z

FM ONUC LEO

TO HQ ONUC SOUTH KATANGA ELISABETHVILLE

INFO HQ ONUC NORTH KATANGA ALBERTVILLE

BT

S E C R E T EV218 FOR DUMONTET AND KJELLGREN FROM LINNEN AND MACEOIN.

MERCENARY CAPTAIN BROWNE REPORTED TO HAVE RETURNED TO ELISABATHVILLE. DUMONTET WILL APPROACH MINISTER OF INTERIOR MUNONGO AT ONCE WITH A VIEW TO EXPEL BROWNE FROM KATANGA. IF BROWNE IS NOT EXPELLED BY KATANGESE AUTHORITIES YOU ARE DIRECTED TO ARREST AND DESPATCH HIM IMMEDIATELY TO LEO. NORTH KATANGA HQ HAS BEEN GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS TO ARREST BROWNE IF HE APPEARS IN NORTH KATANGA COMMAND AREA. PLEASE INFORM FORCE COMMANDER AND CHIEF MILITARY INFORMATION OF DEVELOPMENTS.

BT

05/260750Z MAY 61

BROWNE

S E C R E T

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

20 APRIL 1961

ROUTINE ELLEO 287

ABBAS EGGE FROM DUMONTET

TOMBELAINE HAS AGAIN SEEM LT. SUTART WHO HAS GIVEN HIM A LETTER FOR CAPT. BROWN. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT CAPT. BROWN RECEIVES THE LETTER AND IS ABLE TO ANSWER IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BEFORE HE IS FREED SINCE IT MIGHT BE DIFFICULT TO REACH HIM AFTERWARDS. WILL ADVISE YOU WHEN LETTER AND OTHER MAIL ARE SENT TO LEO.

G. DUMONTET

BROWN

Z 111430Z

FM INTERROGATION TEAM KAMINA

TO HQ ONUC ELISABETHVILLE

INFO HQ ONUC LEOPOLDVILLE

BT

S E C R E T 1084 FOR ABBAS MACEOIN DUMONTET KJELLGREN FROM EGGE

1. FORWARD ALL INFORMATION CONCERNING A BRITISH OR SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL BY NAME OF EVANS ALLEGEDLY ATTACHED TO BRITISH CONSULAR SERVICE. THIS INFORMATION URGENTLY REQUIRED IN KAMINA IN CONNECTION WITH INTERROGATION OF CAPT BROWN CAPTURED AT MABALO.

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12/112040Z APR 61



PRIORITY

SECRET

FM SOUTH KAT

TO INTERROGATION TEAM KAMINA

INFO ONUC LEO

ELLKA 115 ELLEO 270

FROM DUMONTET TO EGGE KAMINA, ABBAS MACEOIN LEO

REUR SECRET IO34

EVANS HAS BEEN UK CONSULGENERAL IN EVILLE FOR THREE YEARS. HE LEFT LAST SUNDAY 9 APRIL FOR NEW APPOINTMENT PRETORIA. DID NOT HIDE HIS INCLINATION IN FAVOUR TSHOMBE'S REGIME. HOWEVER ANY REFERENCE TO EVANS BY BROWN SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH GREAT RESERVATION. SEE ALSO MESSAGE OF 11 APRIL TO CAPRAEIO ELIKA 114

BROWNE

SECRET

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

27 MARCH 61

PRIORITY

ELLEO 253 ABBAS FROM MACEOIN WARD

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TSHOMBE SAID THAT HE RECOGNIZED THE NEED FOR CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE UN. WE RAISED WITH HIM THE MATTER OF THE USE OF MERCENARIES IN THE GENDARMERIE, PARTICULARLY THE GROUP OF SOUTH AFRICANS NOW LED BY AN ENGLISHMAN, CAPT BROWN. HIS REACTION TO THIS WAS THAT IF CAPT. BROWN DID ANYTHING WRONG HE WOULD HAVE HIM IMMEDIATELY REMOVED. HE MADE NO REPLY WHEN IT WAS POINTED OUT TO HIM THAT THESE MERCENARIES WOULD BECOME A GRAVE EMBARRASSMENT NOT ONLY IN THE INTERNATIONAL SENSE BUT TO MR TSHOMBE HIMSELF.

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General Maceoin

SECRET

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

27 MARCH 61

PRIORITY

ELLED 253 ABBAS FROM MACEOIN WARD

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TSHOMBE SAID THAT HE RECOGNIZED THE NEED FOR CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE UN. WE RAISED WITH HIM THE MATTER OF THE USE OF MERCENARIES IN THE GENDARMERIE, PARTICULARLY THE GROUP OF SOUTH AFRICANS NOW LED BY AN ENGLISHMAN, CAPT BROWN. HIS REACTION TO THIS WAS THAT IF CAPT. BROWN DID ANYTHING WRONG HE WOULD HAVE HIM IMMEDIATELY REMOVED. HE MADE NO REPLY WHEN IT WAS POINTED OUT TO HIM THAT THESE MERCENARIES WOULD BECOME A GRAVE EMBARRASSMENT NOT ONLY IN THE INTERNATIONAL SENSE BUT TO MR TSHOMBE HIMSELF.

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General Maceoin

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REGARDING MANONO. FURTHER TO OUR ELLEO 236 REPORTING TSHOMBES STATEMENTS AND OUR ELLEO 250 REPORTING CREVECOEUR REPLIES TO OUR CHIEF OF STAFF QUESTIONS ADDITIONAL DETAILS WHICH DO NOT TALLY WITH PRECEDENT DATA AND ARE DEFINITELY SUBJECT TO RESERVATION ARE AS FOLLOWS : CAPTAIN BROWN UK EXSERVICEMAN (SEE ELLEO 213) AND ABOUT 60 WHITE MERCENARIES MOSTLY SOUTH AFRICANS, WELL TRAINED AND WELL EQUIPED, ARE REPORTED TO HAVE ARRIVED OR ARRIVING IN PIANA. THIS GROUP WOULD BE READY TO GO TO ACTION TOWARDS MANONO NEXT MONDAY OR FOLLOWING DAYS. BROWNS PLAN WOULD BE TO ADVANCE ONLY AT NIGHT. APPROPRIATE CHECKING IS BEING MADE. PARA THIS IS GIVEN AS BADGROUND INFORMATION : VOLUNTERS FROM SOUTH AFRICA CONTINUE TO ARRIVE MOSTLY BY AIR, SOME BY ROAD. 35 ARE EXPECTED NEXT SUNDAY. BEING ODDLY RECRUITED THROUGH FALLACIOUS ADVERTISEMENT BY AGENT WHO GETS 10 POUNDS FOR EACH MAN A NUMBER OF THEM ARE NOT FIT AND ARE REJECTED ON ARRIVAL HERE. THOSE RETAINED ARE TRAINED AT SHINKILOKWE, NEAR JADOTVILLE, NOT WITHOUT TROUBLE (MUTINY TOOK PLACE LAST MONDAY ON PRETEXT OF BAD FOOD). THEY FORM "ELITE CORPS" EXCLUSIVELY COMPOSED OF WHITE ENGLISH-SPEAKING MEN AND OFFICERS. NO BELGIANS ADMITTED. BROWN IS EAGER TO PROVE VALOUR OF THESE MERCENARIES WHO ARE OFTEN DESCRIBED BY THE PRESS AS BUNCH OF ADVENTURERS, DRUNKARDS AND EVEN CRIMINALS. BROWN HIMSELF EASILY IDENTIFIABLE : 40-42 YEARS OLD, OVER 6 FEET TALL, OVER 200 POUNDS, BURLY, WEARING MOUSTACHE, SPEAKING ONLY ENGLISH WITH VERY DEEP VOICE. PRETENDS TO VOLUNTER TO FIGHT COMMUNISM BUT QUICKLY ADMITS HE IS HERE FOR MONEY. HOWEVER, IT IS A QUESTION WHETHER THEY ARE IN FOR REAL FIGHT. END

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FOR MACEOIN FROM KJELLGREN. ACCORDING TO DISCUSSION WITH COL. CREVECOEUR, WE OBTAINED FOLLOWING INFORMATION. a) THERE ARE NO SWEDES IN KATANGA GENDARMERIE. b) COL CREVECOEUR DID NOT GIVE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING CAPT BROWN'S MISSION TO KATANGA c) RE RECRUITMENT FROM SOUTH AFRICA, COL CREVECOEUR REFUSED TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ON THIS MATTER, BUT GAVE HIS WORD THAT NO "FOREIGN LEGION" IS BEING OR WILL BE ORGANIZED IN KATANGA. d) RE REINFORCEMENT UN TROOPS IN KATANGA, CREVECOEUR INFORMED US THAT IF TROOPS WERE "INDIANS OR ARABS" IT WAS HIS VIEW THAT THERE WOULD BE "CIVIL WAR IN KATANGA".

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FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

12 MARCH 1961

ZZZ FLASH ELLEO 213 ABBAS FROM DUMONTET

YOUR EV 145 TOMORROW MORNING MONDAY WILL SEE AUTHORITIES REGARDING TWO POINTS IN SEC GEN INSTRUCTIONS JUST RECEIVED.

LEARNED LAST NIGHT FROM UK CONSUL THAT "BROWN" STATED TO HIM HE EXPECTS TO RECRUIT 250 SOUTH AFRICANS. SAME BROWN WAS HEARD SAYING IN TOWN LAST NIGHT HE WANTS 500 RECRUITS FROM COMMONWEALTH TO BUILD UNIT AND EXPECTS AMONG OTHER AUSTRALIANS AND NEWZEALANDERS. 30 SOUTH AFRICANS EXPECTED TODAY DID NOT ARRIVE BECAUSE REGULAR FLIGHT SABENA BOEING DELAYED HERE DUE TO MECHANICAL TROUBLE ON ITS WAY TO JOHANNESBURG. BROWN PLANS ROUND TRIP BY THIS AIRCRAFT LEAVING EVILLE TONIGHT OR TOMORROW TO BRING BACK BUNCH OF 30. BASIC PAY, WITHOUT SUBSTANTIAL EXTRA ALLOWANCES, FOR PRIVATES SO RECRUITED IS SAID TO BE 114 POUNDS PAYABLE 40% KATANGESE CURRENCY AND REST ANY OTHER CURRENCY PAYABLE AS DESIRED. INDICATIONS ARE THAT BROWN INTENDS TO STAY HERE BRINGING HIS WIFE IN APRIL. UNDERSTANT HE WAS IN ROYAL NAVY UP TO 1945 THEN FOR A WHILE IN MALAYAN POLICE

G DUMONTET

SECRET

FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

10 MARCH 1961

FLASH ELLEO 210 DAYAL FM DUMONTET

1. TWENTY SEVEN SOUTH AFRICANS, COMPRISING 4 OFFICERS AND 23 NCOS, HAVE ARRIVED HERE. THIRTY MORE ARE DUE SUNDAY 12 MARCH. THEIR ARRIVAL IS HANDLED BY EX-SERVICEMAN BROWN CAPTAIN IN KATANGA FORCES, FORMERLY IN POLICE, RESIDENT OF SOUTH AFRICA, CLAIMING A BROTHER MEMBER OF UK PARLIAMENT, FATHER MAGISTRATE. ACTUALLY HIS WIFE OPERATES IN JOHANNESBURG AS WELFARE OFFICER FOR VOLUNTEERS LEAVING FOR ELISABETHVILLE. AM ALSO INFORMED THAT THIRTY WHITE POLES GATHERED IN BRUSSELS TO COME HERE. SABENA WOULD HAVE REFUSED TO TRANSPORT THEM. ACCORDING TO SOME CIRCLES HERE, INTENTION OF TSHOMBE WOULD BE EITHER TO SET UP A FOREIGN COMPANY OR TO HAVE A SORT OF PRETORIAN GUARD IN CASE OF DEFECTION OF GENDARMERIE. I SUBMIT THAT RECRUITMENT OF SOUTH AFRICANS AND OTHERS SHOULD BE TACKLED AT SOURCES.
2. EUROPEAN MINE WORKERS' UNION HAS NOTIFIED UNION MINIERE THAT EVACUATION OF ALL WHITE WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILY SHOULD BE ARRANGED WITH SABENA BEFORE AND IF BELGIAN OFFICERS ARE WITHDRAWN FROM GENDARMERIE. TWO THOUSANDS WHITE WORKERS, WITH THEIR FAMILY ABOUT FIVE THOUSAND PERSONS, WOULD BE AFFECTED.
3. COLONEL KJELGREN AND I WENT TO JADOTVILLE YESTERDAY. VISITED MOROCCAN TROOPS AND PREMIER BOURGEMESTRE. MOROCCANS ARE RATHER NERVOUS IN VIEW DELAY OF THEIR RAPATRIATION. APPROPRIATE MEASURES TAKEN TO AVOID INCIDENTS BETWEEN TROOPS AND POPULATION. BOURGEMESTRE DID NOT PRESENT ANY COMPLAINT. SITUATION CALM AT PRESENT.
4. GENUINE EFFORT AUTHORITIES TO REPULSE TRINQUIER PROVED BY FACT THAT COLONEL WEBER IS TRYING TO ARRANGE WITH BRITISH AUTHORITIES IMMEDIATE "REPOULEMENT" OF TRINQUIER THROUGH RHODESIA BORDER.

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FM ONUC EVILLE

TO ONUC LEO

9 MARCH 1961

IMMEDIATE ELLEO 208 DAYAL FM DUMONTET

REUR EV 142

I LEARNED THAT A UK EX-SERVICEMAN UNDER ASSUMED NAME OF BROWN, WITH RANK OF CAPTAIN IN KATANGA FORCES, MET 5-6 SOUTH AFRICANS CIVILIANS AT AIRPORT ON 6 MARCH AND SAID OPENLY THEY WERE VOLUNTEERS AND MORE WERE EXPECTED. NO DOUBT ABOUT PRESENCE EX-SERVICEMAN ALTHOUGH UK OFFICIALS DO NOT "KNOW" HIM. WILL TRY FURTHER CHECKING AND ARRIVALS BY AIR FROM JOHANNESBURG WILL BE WATCHED.

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INFORMATIONS POUR LE BULLETIN DE RENSEIGNEMENTS N° 250 du 020861  
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I. VILLE D'ELISABETHVILLE

a) Le nommé BIRNBAUM, ex-conseiller de l'ATCAR, fort des hautes relations qu'il entretient dans les milieux de l'ONU, ne craignit pas de menacer Mr FRENAY, l'animateur de la Foire exposition d'Elisabethville, de la faire expulser par ses protecteurs. Une surveillance établie à l'égard de Mr BIRNBAUM permit d'établir que celui-ci fréquente assidument les bureaux de l'organisation.

*perquisitionner* Il fut alors décidé de perquisitionner au domicile de Mr BIRNBAUM. Un dossier relatif à l'ATCAR fut saisi ainsi que deux rapports opérationnels rédigés par des officiers blancs de la Gd Katangaise ayant trait aux activités des F.K. dans le Nord du Katanga. L'un de ces écrits était destiné à l'E.M. des Forces Katangaises à Albertville.

Mr BIRNBAUM, outré qu'on l'ait traité comme un vulgaire péquenot, scruta attentivement la signature apposée au bas du mandat et promit d'en faire expulser l'auteur s'il advenait qu'il fut un blanc. Il s'est précipité chez ses bons amis de l'Onu après le départ des enquêteurs.

b) Le nommé KAYUKWA Ferdinand, ancien étudiant à l'Université d'Elisabethville, communiste notoire qui s'était rendu notamment à Moscou et à Pékin, est libéré depuis plusieurs jours.

c) Le nommé TSHIMANGA Jean, qui s'était évadé de la prison de Kamina le 21 juin dernier, vient d'être appréhendé à Elisabethville.

2. VILLE DE JADOTVILLE :

a) L'agent d'affaires GEURTS et son épouse, qui entretiennent d'excellentes relations avec M. O'Brien, se sont rendus à Elisabethville le 02 août pour déjeuner avec cette personnalité.

b) Le bruit court dans les milieux originaires du Sud-Kasaï que l'Onu ne tarderait pas à mettre en exécution les décisions du Conseil de Sécurité relatives à l'expulsion des conseillers politiques blancs. Ils prévoient que ce départ sera le signal de l'exode général de tous les autres Européens. Ils escomptent ensuite l'invasion du Katanga par l'A.N.C. et la généralisation des troubles dans ce pays: c'est pourquoi, disent-ils, ils se prépareraient eux aussi à émigrer en masse vers l'Etat Minier.

c) Le nommé KISHALA Félicien, ex-policier supplétif, originaire de Kayemebe dans la circonscription de Kazembe ( Rhodésie du Nord ) s'est évadé de la prison de Mitwaba.

3. DISTRICT DU LUALABA :

Dans la soirée du 02 août, une violente bagarre a opposé de nouveau des para-commandos aux civils dans un bar du C.E.C.- Ces derniers ont eu deux blessés légers dont le député local, M. MUYUMBA Prosper. Les autorités de la police expriment leur inquiétude au sujet de la tranquillité dans les jours à venir car le député MUYUMBA, élu par la population locale, est très populaire et ses partisans tenteront de la venger.

Des démarches devraient être faites auprès des autorités des Forces Katangaises pour parer à cette éventualité.

4. EXTERIEUR :

b) RADIO BRAZZAVILLE :

Emission du mercredi 02 août 1961 - 08,00 H.

" Monsieur Cyrille ADOULA a été désigné hier pour former le nou- " veau Gouvernement. "

" Dans une lettre adressée au Conseil de Sécurité, le délégué " par intérim de l' U.R.S.S. à l' Onu, Monsieur Platon MOROSOV, " affirme que le Secrétariat de l'Onu ne remplit pas ses engage- " ments en ce qui concerne la protection des parlementaires con- " golais réunis à Lovanium. M. MOROSOV fait valoir en ce sens " que selon des informations en provenance du Congo ex-belge, le " secrétaire de l' Onu manque à ses obligations du fait qu'il " n'a pas procédé au désarmement des unités militaires et de la " police à Léopoldville et dans les localités avoisinantes. "

" De son côté, le représentant du Mali à l' Onu vient d'annoncer " que sur instruction de son gouvernement il a demandé la réunion " des délégués des pays africains dits " de la Conférence de Ca- " sablanca " afin d'établir les conditions dans lesquelles l'Onu " assure la sécurité de la session du Parlement congolais à Lo- " vanium . "

" Le Capitaine Richard BROWN, ancien commandant des mercenaires " britanniques des Forces Katangaises lors de l'opération de Ka- " balo, a été arrêté la semaine dernière à Elisabethville par " les autorités katangaises. Il est accusé d'espionnage au pro- " fit de l' Onu. Il lui serait reproché d'avoir remis à l' Onu " un rapport sur la mort de Patrice Lumumba, indiquant notamment " l'identité du meurtrier de l'ancien 1er Ministre. "

" Confirmée de bonne source, l'arrestation du Capitaine BROWN a " été démentie par l' Etat-Major Katangais. "

c) PRESSE :

Selon le " Soir " du 27 juillet, les informations publiées récem-  
ment par certains journaux occidentaux ~~selon~~ lesquelles une mis-  
sion katangaise se rendrait prochainement à Belgrade, où elle né-  
gocierait des accords économiques, financiers et culturels, sont  
démunis de tous fondements déclare l'Agence TANYOUG, qui rappelle  
que le Gouvernement Yougoslave ne reconnaît que le " gouvernement  
légal du Congo " dont le siège se trouve à Stanleyville et avec  
lequel la Yougoslavie entretient des relations diplomatiques ré-  
gulières.

Browne

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LETTER



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## Arrestation du Capitaine Richard Browne accusé d'espionnage

Elisabethville, (A.F.P.) — Le capitaine Richard Brown, ancien commandant des mercenaires britanniques de l'Armée katangaise lors de l'opération de Kabalo, dans le Nord du Katanga, a été arrêté la semaine dernière à Elisabethville par la sûreté katangaise. Il est accusé d'espionnage au profit de l'O.N.U.. Et cette nouvelle est confirmée de bonne source.

Le capitaine Brown, âgé d'une quarantaine d'années est le frère

d'un député conservateur de la Chambre des Communes.

Il s'était rendu aux éthiopiens des Nations Unies, à Kabalo, à la mi avril avec plusieurs de ses hommes. Après un interrogatoire à l'Etat-Major de l'ONU à Léopoldville, il avait été reconduit par les soins des Nations Unies à Johannesburg, son lieu de résidence. Le capitaine était néanmoins revenu en civil au Katanga peu de temps après. Après quelques jours passés à Elisabethville, il avait été prié de quitter le pays par le gouvernement katangais.

Malgré l'expulsion de l'O.N.U. et l'interdit katangais, il était revenu deux nouvelles fois dans la capitale katangaise.

Il a été arrêté à son quatrième voyage. Il lui serait reproché d'avoir remis à l'O.N.U. un rapport sur la mort de Patrice Lumumba indiquant notamment l'identité du meurtrier de l'ancien Premier Ministre, qui serait, selon lui, un sujet belge. Depuis son arrestation, aucune nouvelle du capitaine Brown n'a été communiquée à personne. D'autre part un belge membre de la sûreté katangaise, M. Debiel, a été arrêté samedi dernier puis expulsé.

M. DEMIERBE

*Courrier d'Afrique*

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