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UN RESTRICTED**TO: ALL SECTORS****FILE: OPS/1122.24****FROM: MILOB GP HQ****DATE: 29 NOV 95****SUBJECT : DAILY SITREPS**

1. It has been observed that most sectors forward copies of above-mentioned reports to some branches/cells within UNAMIR HQ. Much as it is good for these branches to know at first-hand what is happening in all sectors, it creates a problem which does not augur well for peaceful co-existence of Staff Offrs at the HQ.
2. It is therefore directed that all sectors desist from giving information copies of Milobs SITREPs to any Branch or Cell at the UNAMIR HQ forthwith. Your SITREPs should be forwarded direct to Milob Gp HQ.
3. Accept for immediate implementation.

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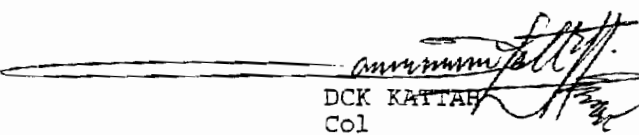
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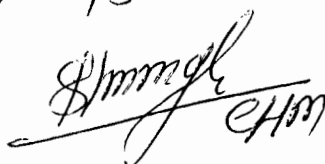
TO: ALL SECTORS**DATE: 28 NOV 95****INFO: BRANCH HEADS****FROM: MILOB GP HQ****SUBJECT: SECURITY AND REPORTING OF INFORMATION**

1. Attached, please find a copy of the self-explanatory letter for your information.
2. You are requested to bring these to the notice of all under command.
3. Please accept for information.
4. Best regards.



MD AHSANULLAH
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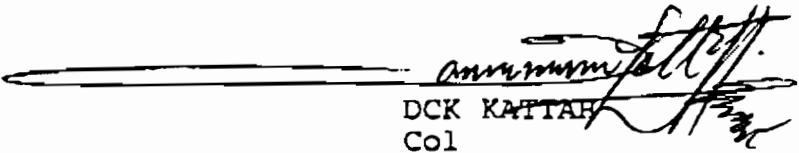
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FILE: SECT 5C/OPS
DATE: 27 NOV 95
TO: MILOBS GP HQ//SOO//
FROM: SECTOR COMD 5C KIBUYE
SUBJECT: MILOB FINAL REPORTS - SECTOR 5C KIBUYE
REF: MILOB Gp HQ 1273/Ops dated 25 November 1995

GENERAL

1. The aim of subject reports is not to reiterate events as described in our daily SITREPS which amply and clearly defines them. Rather, the following headings will summarize the resultant affects of MILOBS operations in the Kibuye Prefecture as we are, probably, concluding our mandate:

- a. Military observation operations.
- b. Humanitarian operations.
- c. UN agencies/NGO cooperation.
- d. Local authorities/Military cooperation.

MILITARY OBSERVATION OPERATIONS

2. MILOBS operations have only been partially successful. Although the Kibuye Prefecture is geographically small, it is very hilly with not one metre of paved roads. These roads are extremely poorly maintained, owing to the economic difficulties of the region, and deteriorate rapidly during the rainy seasons. This resulted in our inability to physically reach certain areas by road. Thankfully, UNAMIR Hel Ops was most cooperative with our helicopter requests to visit the most far reaches of our AOR, and we are most grateful for their support.

3. However, in the long run, we began to and are still limited in operational capability due to our depleted vehicle resources. These vehicles, the majority being Toyota 4X4, did not, in the long run, really stand up to the poor road conditions. Their constant unserviceability due to wear and tear diminished, but did not at any time prevent our patrol programme.

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4. Communications by line and radio was very good, owing to the fine work accomplished by the det of Indian Signals Coy co-located with us. They did wonders in maintaining good and effective communications which were vital to our operational capability in this remote sector.

5. The number of MILOBS available to work in this sector was sufficient, averaging a strength of twenty-five (25) members. This sector deployed an average of no less than two (2) daily patrols any given week, which allowed us a reliable, constant observation of events developing in this sector. We found the local population and some of the local authorities most cooperative, even eager at times to orient our observations of the security conditions in the communes of the Prefecture. Regrettably, we achieved very limited success, and at times outright failure, when dealing with the local governmental authorities and, especially, the RPA.

HUMANITARIAN OPERATIONS

6. Humanitarian operations were generally considered a success. MILOBS monitored closely the living conditions of the local population; however, the overall quality of life for people in Kibuye was poor, but slowly improving. There remain significant challenges to humanitarian ops because of our poor quality of roads and great distance from Kigali. Despite these challenges the HAC was very cooperative in coordinating support in this Prefecture. The recent grouping of a UN medium lift truck for our use provides improved flexibility for us in providing humanitarian support. We would like to continue to bring in the maximum number of blankets, medications, food stocks, school supplies, and other support as possible while UNAMIR resources are available to assist this very deprived Prefecture.

UN AGENCIES/NGO COOPERATION

7. UN agencies. Our relationship with the UN agencies and NGOs operating in our AOR was a frank success. We enjoyed a very good rapport and participated closely with the activities of UNHCR and UNHDP. This helped us throughout the mandate, and they provided for us some very good sources of information towards which we would orient our patrols. We mutually shared our communications and transportation assets in the execution of our duties.

8. NGOs. There again, a success. They cooperated with us fully, especially in moments of deteriorating security conditions. They attended regularly our weekly security briefings and were, on the most part, a valuable source of information. Our Humanitarian efforts were best focused when we benefited from the involvement of the NGOs.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES/MILITARY COOPERATION

9. Local authorities. Our relationship with the local authorities was a failure. This is due mainly to the attitude and policies, real or implied, of the Préfet de Kibuye. This gentleman is an extremist in his views and methods of dealing with the local population and the returnees from Zaire. The bourgmeistres are mainly, especially in the southern communes, reactionaries who make no attempt at cooperating with MILOBS, save for when they desire assistance or resources that we can obtain for them.

10. Otherwise, some local authorities have even issued orders that those who even communicate with UNAMIR are to be punished. Repeated efforts on our part to get the local authorities to allow MILOBS to have free and open access to observation and information as per the agreed mandate have been met with objections, and at time outright refusal.

11. Military. Our relationship with the local military, 9TH BN RPA which is the known main RPA organization in the Prefecture, was also a failure. All our efforts at rapprochement with them, especially the BN CO, was met with non-compliance: to date, I have yet to meet him, although this was formally requested. The BN DCO, and other officers did come, but only when they required assistance from us.

12. The RPA LO, a Cpl, was, we believe, deliberately involved in maintaining us in the dark, while attempting to gain as much information from us as possible. The RPA LO claimed that there were nine coys and one Bn HQ of RPA in this Prefecture. However, when we asked about their disposition, strength and tasks, he did not inform us, and as yet to give us any information for that matter. Mr. le Préfet, when we asked him if we could get any of this information, recommended: "have your higher HQ ask our higher HQ for this information". Although our teams occasionally got information that there are platoon or section size organizations in commune centres or villages, we could never obtain the certification of this disposition from the RPA itself.

13. The general population, either pacified or subdued, lives in constant fear of arrest or harassment by the RPA who is their actual, national armed force. In fairness, we had an amicable relationship with certain individuals in the RPA, a useful thing when it comes to contributions to their weddings. The RPA was never outwardly hostile to our presence, except in a few isolated incidents which were really local initiatives. However, they really only barely tolerated our presence. We believe that, along with the local government, the RPA was and is involved in a campaign of repression of the mainly HUTU population and returnees because of the events of 1994. Our observation of this behaviour was annoying to them.

CONCLUSION

14. In conclusion, the MILOBS mission in the Kibuye Prefecture enjoyed some success, particularly in the Humanitarian aspect of the mission. However, we were limited and at times denied, by the local authorities and the RPA, the execution of our mandated task. In retrospect, the atmosphere in our sector could be compared to an observer mission in Vichy France, 1943.



Webster Chomba
Lieutenant-colonel
Sector Comd 5C
Kibuye

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FROM : SECTOR 5C, KIBUYE FILE : OPS/GEN/95

TO : MILOB GP HQ DATE : 16 NOV 95

SUBJECT : REPORT ON TREATMENT OF PATROL AT KARENGERA-
16 NOV 95

1. A PTL OF 3 MILOBS AND AN INTERPRETER LEFT KIBUYE LZ BY HEL AT 1200HRS ON PTL TO KARENGERA (QT 1350) TO ASSESS THE GEN SIT AT THE HEALTH POST. THE HEL LANDED ON A HILL, CLOSE TO THE HEALTH POST. WHILE PTL WAS GOING DOWN HILL TO THE HEALTH POST, THEY MET THE CONSEILLE. AS SOON AS PTL STARTED TALKING TO HIM, THREE (3) RPA SOLDIERS ARMED WITH AK 47 RIFLES, CAME RUNNING TO MEET THEM, DEMANDING THEIR MISSION. THEY WERE TOLD THAT THEY CAME TO VISIT THE HEALTH POST. THE SOLDIERS THEN ESCORTED THEM TO THE HEALTH POST, AND STAYED WITH THEM THROUGHOUT THEIR STAY THERE.

2. AS THE PTL WAS LEAVING THE HEALTH POST TOWARDS THE HEL, SOMEONE WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS THE LOCAL RPA COMD AND SEVEN (7) OTHERS MET THEM. THE SAID COMD INSISTED THAT THE PTL SHOULD HAVE INFO HIM BEFORE COMING. THE PTL LDR EXPLAINED THAT THEY WOULD HAVE PASSED THROUGH THE BOUGREMESTRE'S OFFICE IF THEY HAD COME BY RD BUT THAT WAS NOT POSSIBLE BY HEL. THE SAID COMD AND HIS TPS FOLLOWED THE PTL TO THE HEL.

3. ON ARRIVAL AT THE LANDING PT, THEY MET FOUR (4) OTHER SOLDIERS SURROUNDING THE HEL. THEY HAD TWO (2) RPG AND TWO (2) AK 47. THE SAID COMD INSISTED THE HEL SHOULD NOT TAKE OFF. HE REPORTEDLY SAID THEY SHOULD WAIT TILL THEY LICK THEIR OWN SWEAT. WHEN THE PILOT EXPLAINED THAT HE HAS TO PICK SOME SNR OFFRS FROM ELSEWHERE, THE RPA COMD REPORTEDLY SAID, "IF THEY ARE SNR OFFRS, I AM ALSO THE COMD ON THE GROUND". HE THEN ALLEGEDLY INSTRUCTED THE SOLDIERS TO SHOOT DOWN THE AC IF IT ATTEMPTS TO TAKE OFF. THE SOLDIERS THEN CORKED THEIR WPNS.

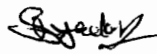
4. THE PILOT AGAIN EXPLAINED THAT ALL FLIGHT PLANS ARE CLEARED WITH THE RPA LO IN KIGALI BEFORE TAKE OFF. THE COMD THEN RETORTED THAT ARRANGEMENT IS IN KIGALI AND THAT THEY WERE PRESENTLY IN HIS DOMAIN. THE PILOT AT THIS STAGE ENTERED THE AC TO INFO KIGALI ABOUT THE DEVELOPMENTS BUT WAS ORDERED OUT OF THE AC. OUR INTERPRETER WAS AT THIS STAGE THREATENED TO SHUT UP OR ELSE BE BEATEN.

5. THE PTL WAITED AROUND THE AC FOR ABOUT 45MINS WHEN THE RPA COMD IN RWAMATAMU AND THE BOUGREMESTRE TOGETHER WITH FIVE (5) OTHER ARMED SOLDIERS WERE BROUGHT IN. THIS MADE THE TOTAL NUMBER OF TPS TO 20, ABOUT 16 OF THEM ARMED.

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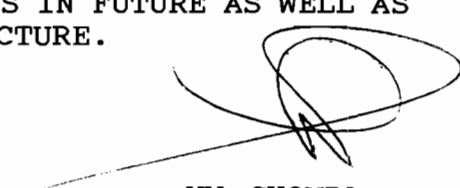
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6. THE BOUGREMESTRE DEMANDED TO KNOW WHY HE WAS NOT INFO BEFORE THE ARRIVAL OF THE PTL. THE PTL LDR AGAIN EXPLAINED THAT IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE BY HEL. HE WANTED TO KNOW THE QUESTIONS THAT THE PTL ASKED THE CONSEILLER. THE PTL LDR THEN TOLD HIM THAT THEY ONLY ASKED FOR THE SECURITY SIT AND HE SAID EVERYTHING WAS CALM. THEY INSISTED THAT THIS WAS NOT TRUE AND BROUGHT IN THE CONSEILLER AND INTERROGATED HIM IN THEIR PRESENCE. THE CONSEILLER ADMITTED THAT HE WAS ASKED WHETHER ARRESTS ARE GOING ON IN THE AREA AND WHO MAKES SUCH ARRESTS AND WHETHER THOSE ARRESTED ARE BEATEN. THE PTL DENIED THIS AND INSISTED THAT THE CONSEILLER WAS ADMITTING THOSE THINGS OUT OF FEAR.

7. AT THIS STAGE, THE BOUGREMESTRE INDICATED THAT THEY WERE BRIEFED DURING THEIR LAST SECURITY MEETING AT KIBUYE THAT ALL MILOB PTLs WILL FIRST SEEK CLEARANCE FROM THE BOUGREMESTRES BEFORE ENTERING ANY COMMUNE. THE PTL LDR STILL INSISTED THAT IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE BY HEL. THE BOUGREMESTRE THEN ADVISED THAT, NEXT TIME, THE PTL SHOULD HOLD A WRITTEN PERMIT FROM THE PREFECT OF KIBUYE BEFORE COMING TO THE COMMUNE. THE PTL WAS THEN RELEASED AT 1420HRS,

8. COMMENT. THERE APPEARS TO BE A COMMUNICATION BREAKDOWN BETWEEN THE RPA LIAISON OFFICE IN KIGALI AND THOSE IN THIS PREFECTURE. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE PROCESS OF PASSAGE OF INFO BETWEEN THEM BE STREAMLINED TO AVOID SUCH INCIDENTS IN FUTURE AS WELL AS FACILITATE THE JOB OF MILOBS IN THE PREFECTURE.



WM CHOMBA
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SECTOR CMD

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TO : THE PREFECT OF KIBUYE FILE: OPS/GEN/95

FROM : MILOB GP SECTOR COMMANDER DATE: 16 NOV 95
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SUBJECT : COMPLAIN ON THE ATTITUDE OF THE BOUGREMESTRE OF MUBUGA

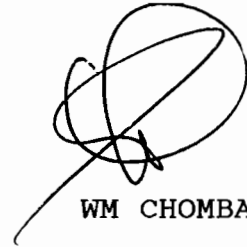
1. On 9 Nov 95, I sent a patrol to MURAGARA to assess the general situation. The patrol, as usual, passed through the Commune office at MUBUGA to pay a courtesy call on the Bougrementre. He was then away in KIBUYE attending a workshop on Arrest and Detention so they spoke to the Assistant Bougrementre, who gave them an RPA escort to the area. They found the general situation to be calm. They however found some malnourished people who were also suffering from boils. Upon interrogation, the patrol found out that they were Returnees from Zaire, who entered the country through unapproved routes and were therefore not registered by UNHCR. They claim there are 20 families in all who entered through unapproved routes. They are poor and are not catered for by any relief agency because they are not registered. The team took seven (7) families to the MUBUGA Health Post and left 1500 Ruwandese Francs for their food whilst being treated. Every action of the patrol took place in the presence of the RPA escort and was reported to the Assistant Bougrementre in the presence of the escort.

2. On 25 Nov 95, the same patrol was tasked to check on the progress of registration of the returnees. They again passed through the MUBUGA Commune Office, but this time met the Bougrementre, who became very annoyed with the team leader upon knowing their mission. The Bougrementre told the team that their report was false and that UNHCR had registered all the returnees. The Bougrementre told the team that the MILOBS report will indicate that his administration is not working efficiently.

3. I wish to formally register my complaint to you sir. I have tried to do what we discussed at the Security Meeting but to no avail. To some Bougrementres, MILOBS are not wanted, when in actual fact, they can be of tremendous help to them. The Bougrementres should try to use MILOPBS as much as possible instead of treating them as spies. Such hostile behaviour has a negative impact on the system for smooth operation. It will not be in anybody's interest for the MILOBS to report that they are being prevented from performing their mandated duties.

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4. I submit this in order that the situation be looked into and possibly corrected.

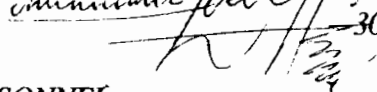
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WM CHOMBA

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Sector Commander

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FROM : A/COS  3000.10(OPS)
TO : MILITARY & CIV PERSONNEL
INFO : SRSG
MA TO FC
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SUBJECT : MORNING BRIEFING FOR
TUESDAY 07 NOV 95

1. All are informed that above briefing will not come on rather there will be FC's briefing to the UNA - USA visiting team from 0800 - 0830 hrs same day.
2. All are to note.

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MILOB GP HQ//OPS//

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DATE: 04 ~~DEC~~ 95

INFO: FORCE ENGR COY//OPS//
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FROM: SECTOR COMD 5C KIBUYE

SUBJ: ENGINEER SP/RECOVERY REQ -
MINE INCIDENTS OF KIBUYE PREFECTURE ON 31 ~~NOV~~ 95

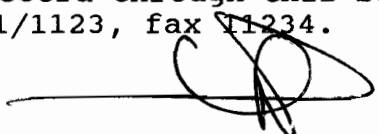
REFS: A. Our SITREP 299 dated 31 Nov 95
B. Our SITREP 300 dated 01 Nov 95
C. Our SITREP 301 dated 02 Nov 95

1. Further to subject mine explosion incidents reported in our SITREPS at reference A and B, and the un-official requests forwarded in our SITREP reference C, we formally request, at the insistence of the local government and the RPA the fol:

a. Mine clear/proof request. UNAMIR Force Engr Coy assets to clear/proof the mine detonated/suspect area where the bus was damaged at UWINGABO BRIDGE (QT 205580), and where the anti-pers mine were blown/sown on the foot path at (QT 20455825).

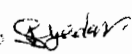
(2) Heavy recovery request. 95 CMSG hy recovery assets to recover the vehicle, a 40 pax green bus, with the front right wheel blown off. This veh is presently astride in the middle of the rd, and is blocking all effective wheeled tfc for commerce and RPA replenishment. If possible, the veh should be recovered to the KIBUYE TOWN (QT 2772) RPA garrison workshop.

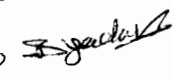
2. The requests, if approved, can be coord through this Sector's Ops O, Capt Manton, C/S CSO, tel 11231/1123, fax 11234.


Webster Chomba
Lieutenant-Colonel
Sector Comd 5C
KIBUYE

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UNAMIR - MINUAR

TO : MILOB GP HQ

FROM : Sector 5C//Sector Comd//

Date : 31 Oct 95

SUBJECT : INCIDENT REPORT -

RPA OFFICER THREATENING LIFE/ATTEMPTING THEFT OF VEH

1. Today, at 0930 hrs, we were informed by SM Mehar Singh, the NCO/IC of our Indian Sigs Det the following:

- a. At 0250hrs this morning, the duty signaller who lodges in the Ops Office for the purpose of surveillance of the telephone electronic apparatus, was awoken by an unk RPA Capt who was knocking at the door.
- b. This officer, whom the signalman claims was obviously in a state of drunkenness, ordered him to open the door and give him the keys to one of our veh. To add pressure to his demand, he yielded a knife, fixed to the end of a stick, through the broken window pane of the door, and threatened the signalman that he would kill him if he did not do as he ordered.
- c. The signalman refused, and instead called on the telephone up to his SM's room for assistance. The latter came down to see what was going on.
- d. By then, the RPA officer was engaged in a conversation with one of our MILOBS.

2. Capt Maswaure, who was unaware of the above situation relates the following:

- a. He was awakened by the commotion and went outside. The RPA officer was in the parking lot, as well as one armed soldier. The RPA officer appeared under the influence of alcohol. He exclaimed, emphatically : "This thing disturbs my mind! Did I hear someone cock a weapon?" He repeated this several times, as though to be heard by all who could hear him. The Signalers on the deck of the Hotel exclaimed back : "UNAMIR, we don't have weapons!".
- b. He greeted the RPA Capt, with whom he is acquainted with, who then stated that he had a problem with his car. He then said that he wanted to see the Duty Officer, to explain his problem.

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c. He pointed him towards the duty room and went back to bed.

3. The Signallers then claimed that the RPA Capt wandered in the Hotel, but never did get the Duty Officer. As indicated in the enclosed statement of the Signaller, he eventually left and came back later to get his vehicle.

4. To our knowledge, this incident is the first of this kind to have occurred to the Kibuye MILOBS. We account subject behaviour on drunkenness, and not as a premeditated act.

5. We attempted to contact the RPA Bn Security Officer, but his telephone did not respond/work. The RPA LO has not showed up today. We will further investigate on this matter, and report our findings as soon as possible.



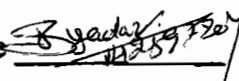
Webster Chomba
Lieutenant-Colonel
Sector Comd 5C

Enclosure : 1

STATEMENT

I, Signelman Jaswant Singh of Force Sig Coy am attached with Sector 5C Kibuye for communication duty. During the night of 30-31 Oct 95 I was on duty in the Ops Room, next to the VSAT terminal. At about 0250 hrs one RPA Capt knocked on the door and ordered me to open the door and give him the keys of a veh. I told him that I was not the Duty offr and that I belonged to the Signals Detachment, but he insisted that I give him the keys else he would kill me. He threatened me with a knife tied to a stick by pushing the stick through the broken glass pane of the door. I immediately rang up my Detachment Commander. When the Detachment Commander and Signelman Rajput rushed down, he asked them for the keys to a vehicle saying that his own vehicle was off road. When he was told that no vehicle could be given, he left leaving his own vehicle close to the Ops Room and returned to collect his vehicle in the morning at 0715 hrs.

This statement is submitted for your info and necessary action please.

Signature 
No 14259720Y
Rank Signelman
Name Jaswant Singh
Date : 31 Oct 95

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Sector Commander 5C

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Noms... Lieutenant-Colonel Chomba
Profession... Commandant des MICOSS - MINUAR - Secteur SC - Kibuye
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Motif... Visite de liaison et arrangements pour un rendez-vous avec le Major Général Toussaint, Général en Chef de la MINUAR
Signature... [Signature]
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TO: MILOB GP HQ//DCMO//

DATE: 30 ^{OCT}~~AUG~~ 95

FROM: SECTOR COMD 5C KIBUYE

SUBJECT: SECURITY MEETING WITH THE
PREFECT OF KIBUYE ON 27 OCTOBER 1995

REF: Our SITREP 295 dated 27 Oct 95

1. On 27 October 1995, at about 1400 hrs, I received word through the local Gendarmerie Commanding Officer that the Prefect was holding a security conference in the Prefecture Conference room and that I was required to attend. I quickly jumped on the Commanding Officer's motor bike after his offer of taking me to the meeting.

THE MEETING

2. At the meeting, which was already in session, I found the Prefect with all the Bourgmeistres of the Prefecture, along with two RPA officers (one a Maj Mubarak). I was briefly introduced to those present. After this brief introduction, and without any preamble, the Prefect wanted the following from me:

- a. Why my MILOBS do not collaborate with the Bourgmeistres in the commune.
- b. What are the MILOBS roles in the Prefecture.
- c. Who is the officer who made the report that a woman in the Gisovu commune had been killed with her genitals cut off.
- d. Who made the report that a man had been caught and hanged in the Gisovu commune.
- e. Who reported that 107 people were arrested in the Gisovu commune.

3. The Prefect then mentioned the fact that he was not very happy with the helicopter patrol reports.

4. I explained to all present the need for us to co-operate since our interests are to ensure the situation in RWANDA returns to normalcy. I further explained that MILOBS have UN tasks of visiting communes to get population details, availability of food, agriculture implements, health, check on orphanages, etc.. I further assured that meeting that their concerns about the purported reports were unfounded as no such reports have been made.

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5. On the question at para 2 c. above, the RPA Major in charge of Gisovu commune wanted to find out how we came to know that 107 males were in prison in this area. I explained to them that ever since I reported to this area, I have been trying to create confidence and lessen suspicion. To that effect, I have involved the RPA Liaison Officer in MILOBS patrols, as in other Prefectures, and that he is the one who had authorized that the prison in Gisovu be opened for the MILOBS. I explained that checking on prisons is one of the tasks of the MILOBS.

THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS

6. After my explanation, they recommended the following:
- a. Before going anywhere, the patrols must first report to the commune office and see the Bourgmeistre.
 - b. After their patrols, the MILOBS must on their way to their base inform the Bourgmeistre of their findings.
7. I explained that they should not have anything to fear from the MILOBS. I further told the gathering that MILOBS will check with the Bourgmeistres on certain issues and will not have to explain to them about the findings during their patrols, unless it is of specific issue, as doing so will be contrary to the MILOBS tasks in the Mandate. After this, I left the gathering so that they could continue with their meeting.

OBSERVATIONS

8. My observations are as follows:
- a. My being summoned was not planned but as a result of queries raised by the Bourgmeistres and the RPA officers.
 - b. This was not a security meeting, because earlier in the day I had been with the Prefect to arrange a meeting between him and the Force Commander. He never mentioned that I will be required at a security meeting.
 - c. Earlier in the morning our team, which went to Gisovu by helicopter, came back in less than 15 minutes because everyone at the landing point ran away from them in fear.
 - d. During the same morning my Ops Officer, Capt Manton, took advantage of the presence of the DCO of our local 9th RPA Battalion at our office to inquire as to why the population in the Gisovu commune, who had been very co-operative before, scamper away at our sight.
 - e. Maj Shumba, the DCO, indicated that he did not know what was happening in that area.

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- f. Maj Shumba had to report this conversation to the Prefect who quickly took advantage of the Bourgmeistres' presence at his office to include the security aspect on his agenda.
- g. For the Prefect to have even a slight inkling of what we report means that our local workers, or more still our location in this EDEN ROC HOTEL are posing a security risk of information.
- h. For the Prefect to be overly concerned about the MILOBS duties here, and in particular the Gisovu commune indicates that the earlier information we got in the area is almost true (it was written in Kinarwandese and later translated).
- i. The local population is very fearful in the Gisovu commune.
- k. Some of our interpreters may be suspect. Interaction between RPA, Prefect and ourselves has been virtually non-existent.

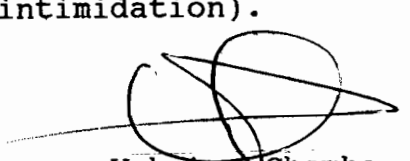
RECOMMENDATIONS

- 9. The following is recommended:
 - a. We shall try to dispel the prevailing distrust by insisting on interaction between all parties concerned without compromising our duties.
 - b. We shall try to normalize the relationship by encouraging monthly security meetings.
 - c. Change our patrol strategy by increasing the number of road patrols.
 - d. Request the swapping of our interpreters.
 - e. Continue to establish why the population in Gisovu area is suddenly so fearful.

CONCLUSION

10. All in all, the situation seems to be normal, although the local population, which has been our source of information in certain areas, has started being fearful and indications are that they are afraid of something (i.e. RPA intimidation).

11. For your records.


Webster Chomba
Lieutenant-Colonel
Sector Commander 5C

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FROM: ANNAN, UNATIONS, NEW YORK
DATE: 19 October 1995
NUMBER: 3315
SUBJECT: UNAMIR Mandate

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OFFICE OF THE SRSG
UNAMIR

Following our telephone conversation of 19 October, I wish to confirm our understanding regarding the rotation of UNAMIR Milobs whose tours of duty are due to expire prior to 8 December. We will ask the governments concerned to extend the tours of these observers until 8 December, by which time we will know the future status of the mission. Milobs whose governments are unable to extend their tours will be repatriated without replacement.

Best regards.

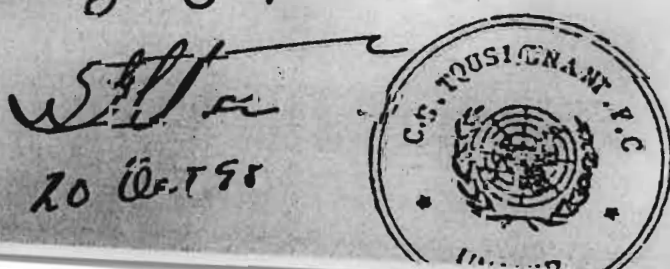
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We should keep
our M.LOBs until
8 Dec. Perceptions are
everything and we should
not send a signal that
we are giving up the game.

The rotation is
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not rotated). Grateful to you
views.

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TO: ALL MILOB SECTORS

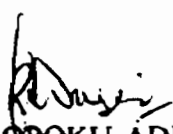
DATE: 26 OCT 95

FROM: MILOB GP HQ

TEL: 11090

SUBJECT : SUGGESTION BY UNHCR IN TANZANIA FOR MILOBS TO
CROSS TO TANZANIAN SIDE FOR LIAISON

1. Attached is a self-explanatory letter on above-mentioned subject for your study and subsequent compliance. You may contact this office by the mentioned telephone number to clear any doubts that might bother you.
2. I am directed to request you to inform all Milobs under your command for immediate compliance.
3. Best regards.


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

DATE: 23 OCT 95

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

SITREP COVERING
PERIOD 221800 OCT TO 231800 OCT 95

1. SITUATION

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

2. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. 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 KYNJARWANDA 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) FRFG 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 IPJ

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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TO : LIST A, B, C, D, E, F
 FROM : COL KS SIVAKUMAR
 COS
 DATE : 16 Oct 95
 SUBJECT : REMINDER - SECURITY GENERAL

1. For the past three weeks or so, a number of theft cases involving personal property, UNAMIR Vehs and Veh Tools, working Tools and POL especially from Brown and Roots premises have been reported.
2. The indications are that we (UNAMIR Personnel) and other workers of UN AGENCIES and NGOs are becoming a little too careless with the security of our property or the perpetrators of these thefts are becoming more aggressive and are outwitting our security systems.
3. As a reminder, security is every body's concern, and all are therefore being asked to be more security conscious.
4. All are to reinforce the underlisted measures forthwith.
 - a. Safety of UN ID Cards.
 - b. Use of Security Systems issued to vehs.
 - c. Securing of safes, Cabinets and lockers at all times.
 - d. Securing/Locking of all office and living accommodation doors and placing the keys with Guards or in key boxes.
 - e. Thorough search and inspection of vehicles leaving UN/UNAMIR premises after work as well as personnel leaving work carrying large carrier bags or tool boxes.
 - f. Enforcement of perimeter patrols to ensure that no perimeter fencing is breached through which items could be stolen.
5. It is envisaged that some of these measures will antagonize certain personalities, but it is hoped that all will understand the rationale behind the measures and Co-operate so as to lessen the incidents of thefts.

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UNAMIR - MINUAR

FROM : MILOBS SECTOR 5C - KIBUYE DATE: 07 OCT 95
TO : MILOB GP HQ//SOO// FILE: NEWBOURG.001/OPS O
INFO : MILOB GP //SMPO/SLOGO//
SUBJECT : APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOURGMEISTRES - SECTOR 5C

REF: MILOB/OPS/68 dated 03 Oct 95

1. As per your reference request, please find enclosed subject information correct as of 07 Oct 95.

2. Regards.

Webster Chomba
Lieutenant-Colonel
Sector Commander
Sector 5C, Kibuye

Enclosure :1

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POLITICAL APPOINTMENTS AND HIERARCHY
KIBUYE PREFECTURE - MILOB SECT 5C

AS OF 07 OCT 95 :

1. **PRÉFET :** **M. KAREBA ARIEL**
2. **ADJOINT-PRÉFET :** **M. BANYAGA IGNACE**
3. **BOURGMEISTRES :**
 - A. **GITESI** **M. NKURUNZIZA VIANNEY (Not confirmed)**
 - B. **GISHYITA** **M. GAKWERERE ABIAS**
 - C. **MABANZA** **M. ABIMAMA MATHIAS**
 - D. **RUTSIRO** **M. KARANGWA PIERRE**
 - E. **MWENDO** **M. KAYIGAMBA VINCENT**
 - F. **BWAKIRA** **TWAGIRAMUNGU ZACHARIE**
 - G. **KIVUMU** **M. NSANZABAGAMWA THÉODESE**
 - H. **GISOVU** **M. NDAMAGE CORNEILLE**
 - I. **RWAMATAMU** **M. KARARA APPOLINAIRE**

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FROM : DCOS OPS *[Signature]* 5000.5(OPS)

TO : LISTS 'D'
MILOB GP HQ
UN CIVPOL

INFO : MA TO FC
MA TO DFC
COS

DATE : 4 Oct 95

SUBJECT : AWARENESS OF MINES/EODs FOUND IN RWANDA

1. In the recent past there have been a number of incidents of mine blasts in the UNAMIR AOR. As a result of these incidents a need has been felt to educate the troops, various UN agencies, NGOs and local authorities about mines/EODs. A team from Force Engr Coy will visit various sectors as per the programme given below to deliver lecture cum demonstration on mines and explosive ordnance devices found in Rwanda. All Sector Commanders are requested to earmark a place in their sector and invite representatives from various organisations in their sector for education in mine awareness:-

(a) Sector 2 - 09 Oct 95 1000 Hrs

(b) Sector 3 - 16 Oct 95 1000 Hrs

(c) Sector 4 - 18 Oct 95 1000 hrs

(d) Sector 5 - 20 Oct 95 1000 Hrs → *Sect Comd's Conf (we hat!!!)*

(e) Sector 1 - 23 Oct 95 1000 Hrs Location Force Engr Coy

2. Any query in this regard may be addressed to Force Engr Coy (Tele - 11262/11261).

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*Requests, See notes above.
Alternative?*

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Agreed 20/10/95.

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*1. Take note and
Make Arrangements.
We have enough time.*

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