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UNCLAS 311330Z CIV. 120 DAYAL FROM DURAN. YOUR SV118 FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE REQUESTED REPORT:

1. THE EIGHT CHASSEURS D'ARDENNES NOW DETAINED IN THE CENTRAL PRISON OF STANLEYVILLE, ARRIVED BY ROAD FROM GOMA ON 15 JANUARY. IMMEDIATELY AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL THE ONUC REPRESENTATIVE APPROACHED MR VALENTIN LUBUMA, THE CHEF DE CABINET OF MR GIZENGA, AND FIRMLY EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE PRISONERS WOULD BE TREATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLES FIVE TO ELEVEN OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. MR LUBUMA GAVE THE ONUC REPRESENTATIVE A FORMAL GUARANTEE (BOTH ON HIS AND ON MR GIZENGA'S BEHALF) THAT THE DETAINEES WOULD

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BE TREATED "AS PRISONERS OF WAR" AND THEREFORE WITH ALL THE "RESPECT AND CONSIDERATION TO WHICH SUCH PRISONERS ARE ENTITLED"

2. ON 17 JANUARY , THE PRISONERS WERE VISITED BY MR. GILBERT LAMAZANI, THE CHIEF EDITOR OF THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER UHURU. MR LAMAZANI REPORTED TO THE ONUC REPRESENTATIVE THAT THE EIGHT MEN HAD BEEN PROVIDED WITH BEDS, THAT THEY WERE GIVEN THEIR REGULAR DAILY RATIONS AND THAT THEIR ONLY DUTIES WERE THE WASHING OF THEIR LAUNDRY AND THE CLEANING OF THEIR CELLS. THE MEN LACKED SHOES, HOWEVER, AND A CHANGE OF CLOTHES. MR LAMAZANI REQUESTED THAT THESE ARTICLES BE PROVIDED TO THEM BY MR CLAUDE ROYERE THE FRENCH CONSUL . THE REQUEST WAS IMMEDIATELY PASSED ON TO MR ROYERE BY THE ONUC REPRESENTATIVE.

3. ON 18 JANUARY THE ONUC REPRESENTATIVE FORWARDED TO MR GIZENGA A MESSAGE FROM THE REPRESENTATIVE IN LEOPOLDVILLE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS IN WHICH THE LATTER INVOKED THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE THREE OF THE GENEVA CONVENTION AND REQUESTED AN AUTHORIZATION TO VISIT THE PRISONERS. ON 24 JANUARY THE ONUC REPRESENTATIVE RECEIVED A REPLY FROM MR GIZENGA IN WHICH MR GIZENGA STATED THAT "LES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE (I.E. THE EIGHT CHASSEURS) SONT TRAITES COMME TELS" NO MENTION WAS MADE IN MR GIZENGA'S REPLY OF THE REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION

4. ON 19 JANUARY, THE CHASSEURS WERE VISITED BY MR ROYERE WHO DISTRIBUTED

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TO THEM SHOES AND SHIRTS (OTHER ARTICLES OF CLOTHING WERE SUPPLIED FROM ARMY STORES , BY COLONEL ATHANASE VANGOIE THE COMMANDANT OF THE ANC'S THIRD GROUPEMENT). MR ROVERE ASSURED THE ONUC REPRESENTATIVE THAT THE PRISONERS WERE WELL TREATED AND PROPERLY FED.

5. ON 21 JANUARY , THE NEWSPAPER UHURU PUBLISHED A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE EIGHT CHASSEURS . THE PRISONERS APPEARED TO BE IN GOOD HELTH AND WERE OBVIOUSLY ADEQUATELY CLAD AND SHOD.

6. ON 24 JANUARY AND AGAIN ON 28 JANUARY, THE PRISONERS WERE VISITED BY THE PRISON'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN. THE CHAPLAIN CONFIRMED MR ROVERE'S REPORT THAT THE PRISONERS " SONT COVENABLEMENT TRAITES PAR LES AUTORITES MILITAIRES CONGOLAISES QUI METTENT UN POINT D'HONNEUR A NE DONNER PRISE A AUCUN REPROCHE ". THE CHAPLAIN FURTHER REPORTED THAT " LEUR SANTE ET LEUR MORAL SONT BONS ET ILS DEMANDENT DE RASSURER LEURS FAMILLES . LEUR NOURRITURE EST SUFFISANTE QUOIQUE MAL ADAPTEE A LEURS HABITUDES ALIMENTAIRES. ILS RECOIVENT QUELQUES CIGARETTES PAR JOUR. LES CONDITIONS D' HYGIENE SONT ACCEPTABLES ET ILS SONT BIEN TENUS".

8. IN VIEW OF THE INVARIABLY POSITIVE NATURE OF ALL REPORTS RECEIVED ON THE SUBJECT, THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE UN FORCE IN STANLEYVILLE AND THE ONUC CIVILIAN REPRESENTATIVE HAVE NOT PRESSED THE STANLEYVILLE AUTHORITIES FOR AN AUTHORIZATION TO VISIT THE PRISONERS.

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IN PARTICULAR THE UN REPRESENTATIVES DID NOT FEEL THAT THE AUTHORITY
-IVE TESTIMONY OF A ROMAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN AND OF THE CONSULAR
AGENT REPRESENTING THE BELGIAN INTERESTS IN ORIENTALE PROVINCE SHOULD
STAND IN NEED OF CORROBORATION BY THEM

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UNCLAS 05/1630Z CIV STO DAYAL LINNER AND DURAN FROM MICUTA.

1. THIS MORNING AT 01100 HAD AN HOUR TALK WITH THE CHIEF OF GIZENGA CABINET YUMBU. HE ASKED MY OPINION ON IMMEDIATS CONOMIC POLICES I ADVICED HIM TO IMPROVE CONDITION OF WORK OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY

OF THE PROVINCE BY CESSATION OF ARBITRARY ARRESTS AND TREATMENT OK LOCAL BUSINESSMEN AS PRISONERS OR HOSTAGES. I INVLTED HIM TM DRESS THE PROVISIONAL BUDGET FORTHE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE COMING THREE MONTHS AND TO TRY TO BALANCE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES. FINALLY I DREW HIS ATTENTION TO POSSIBILITIES OF COMMERCIAL EXCHANGES WITH UGANDA AND SUDANM I ALSO RENEWED MY REQUEST FOR/RELEASE FROM PRISON BONIFACE

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ENTREPRISES PRIVEES UNQUOTE

3. FRENCH CONSUL CAME TO TELL ME THAT GIVEN THE HIGH NERVOUS TENSION

OF EUROPEAN COMMUNITY HE FEARS THAT ANY NEW INCIDENTS MAY RESULT

IN EXPLOSION OF PANIC AND IN A MASS DEMAND OF ONU PROTECTION AND

EVACUATION OF EUROPEAN POPULATION OF STANLEYVILLE.

4. LOCAL PAPER PUBLISHED TODAY TWO SLANDEROUS ARTICLES AGAINST ONU.

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I PROTESTED TO GIZENGA AND ASKED FOR MEASURES TO PREVENT APPEARANCE

OF SIMILAR ARTICLES IN FUTURE. COLONEL WOLDE YOHANNES WILL PROTEST

TO LUNDULA.

5. HUNDRED SIXTY ONE MOBUTU PRISONERS WERE BROUGHT TO-DAY TO

STANLEYVILLE. INTERVENTION OF ETHIOPIAN OFFICERS SAVED THEM FROM

SERIOUS ILLTREATMENT. END.

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UNCLAS 041930Z CIV 7 DAVAL, LINNER AND DURAN FROM MICUTA.

THE CENTRAL BANK IN LEOPOLDVILLE DID NOT MAKE AVAILABLE EVEN FUNDS NECESSARY FOR JANUARY PAYMENTS OF OLD AGE AND INVALIDE PENSIONS IN THE ORIENTAL PROVINCE. THE WAGES AND SALARIES FOR PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SOLDIERS AND GENDARMES ARE BEING PAYED FROM FUNDS REQUISITIONED FROM THE STATE TAX COLLECTOR. THE LOCAL BRANCH OF THE CENTRAL BANK WAS NOT ASKED AS YET TO MAKE ANY PAYMENTS TO THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT. THE STOCK OF CASH IN THE CENTRAL BANK FOR TO-DAY AMOUNTED TO ABOUT 130 MILLION C.F.

2 IT IS REASONABLY ESTIMATED THAT THE CURRENCY ON STOCK AND IN CIRCULATION

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CULATION WOULD ANSWER THE NORMAL NEEDS OF MARKET EXCHANGES FOR THE NEXT 5 TO 6 MONTHS. HOWEVER IT IS CLEARLY UNADEQUATE TO COVER THE GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES. IF BLOCKADE IN FINANCIAL AND REAL TERMS CONTINUES THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOULD BE FORCED TO LOOK FOR FOREIGN CREDITS OR OTHER FORMS OF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FROM ABROAD.

3 THE FIRST EXPORT AND IMPORT LICENCIES WERE GRANTED TODAY BY PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT TO THE PAKISTANI FIRM ESTABLISHED IN STANLEYVILLE FOR TRADE WITH UGANDA. COMMODITIES WILL CROSS THE FRONTIER AT KASENVI OR ARU. EXPORTS REFER TO COTTON AND RUBBER AND IMPORTS TO ESSENTIAL FOOD AND CLOTHING. THE VALUE OF EXCHANGES ON THE BOTH SIDES AMOUNT TO 369.000 CF. ETHIOPIAN TROOPS WOULD LOOK FOR SECURITY OF TRANSPORT ON THE ORIENTAL PROVINCE TERRITORY.

4 THE RUANDA URUNDI, S AUTHORITIES CUT SUPPLIES OF ELECTRIC POWER TO GAMA. GENERAL LUNDULA ASKS EAGERLY FOR YOUR INTERVENTION AND RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF NORMAL SUPPLY. IT WOULD HELP TO NORMALIZE THE CONDITIONS AT THE FRONTIER AREA. END.

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1. WOULD LIKE TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO CONSEQUENCES OF RIVER
BLOCKADE FOR THE HARVEST OF COFFEE AND COTTON WHICH SHOULD BE CONCLU-
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CONSIDERABLE PART OF THIS YEAR HARVEST STOP GROSS DEALERS ARE READY
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1. RE UNCLAS OPS 2 FROM DCOS CONCERNING AGREEMENT OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES INCLUDING ANC FOR VISIT OF CONSULAR STAFF OF VARIOUS EMBASSIES TO SEE THEIR NATIONALS IN BURAVU. GENERAL LUNDULA AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH CIZENGA

INFORMED ETHIOPIAN TROOPS LAST NIGHT THAT THEY HAVE NO OBJECTIONS TO SUCH A VISIT. ANC TROOPS IN BURAVU AND GONA ARE INFORMED ACCORDINGLY LUNDULA RECOMMENDS HOWEVER THAT THE FLIGHT IS NOT DONE IN AIR CONGO OR SABENA CRAFTS AS AFTER THE RECENT EVENTS ANC SUSPECT SUCH PLANES TO CARRY BOBUTU'S SOLDIERS.

2 COULD YOU CONSIDER INTERVENTION WITH THE NATIONAL SECURITY IN LEOPOLDVILLE TO GRANT PERMISSION TO NUMEROUS WIVES WHOSE HUSBANDS ARE TO PRESENT IN STAN TO LEAVE LEOPOLDVILLE. MANY OF THOSE WIVES ARE WITHOUT MEANS OF SUBSISTANCE SOME ARE PREGNANT. THIS DE FACTO TO ARREST IS AS ARBITRARY AND NONSENSICAL AS THAT APPLIED TO MANY EUROPEANS HERE. I PREFER NOT TO DRESS THE LIST OF SUCH WIVES AS NOT TO STIR VAIN HOPES BUT I CAN DO IT IF YOU JUDGE IT APPROPRIATE. THE PRESENCE OF THOSE LADIES IN STAN WOULD CALM TEMPER OF THEIR POLITICALLY MINDED MEN FACILITATE POSSIBLE RECONCILIATION AND MAKE OUR LIFE HERE EASIER.

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