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OUTGOING CLEAR

1961 DEC 28 AM 11:58

ROUTINE

LEOPOLDVILLE  
28 December 1961

[O.N.U.C.]

UNATIONS NEWYORK

L-562

SECGEN from LINNER

*Lin*

Following letter, dated 27 December, received to-day from Longerstaey:

"J'ai l'honneur de vous annoncer la réouverture de l'Ambassade de Belgique à Léopoldville, suite à la reprise des relations diplomatiques entre mon pays et la République du Congo.

"J'assume, à partir de ce jour, les fonctions de Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

"Je suis persuadé que la normalisation des rapports belgo-congolais permettra à l'Ambassade de Belgique d'entretenir des relations fréquentes et confiantes avec l'Organisation des Nations Unies au Congo. Salutations."

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OUTGOING CODE

ROUTINE

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 28 December 1961  
No. : L-561.

*Lin*

**SECRET**

Following received from Englund (1385). Quote. At the end of last week the Provincial Govt sent a letter to Gizenga asking him to leave Stan immediately. No time limit was given. Gizenga had a meeting with the Provincial Govt Friday morning. ~~It is apparent that also the Provincial Govt has finally began to realize the danger of Gizenga's presence here.~~ We have further been told that Provincial Govt has refused to pay salaries and other expenses for Gizenga and his Cabinet here.

We have learnt from a Belgian source ~~of~~ information that Lundulla summoned the Provincial Govt after his return from Bukavu telling them that he disliked Gizenga's attempt to take over the command of ANC and that he, Lundulla, was still Commander. Lundulla is further said to have warned the Provincial Ministers that they would be arrested if they tried to conspire with Gizenga. During my discussion with Lundulla yesterday Lundulla denied having made these statements but on the other hand he once more expressed his disappointment with Gizenga for prolonging his stay in Stan. Unquote.

*JP*  
JP:ln

28 December 1961



OUTGOING CLEAR

PRIORITY

LEOPOLDVILLE  
28 December 1961

UNATIONS NEWYORK

L- 560

SECGEN from LINNER

*Lin*

Following broadcast by RNC evening 27th:

"Les milieux gouvernementaux de Léopoldville accueillent avec satisfaction l'arrivée probable des sénateurs et députés katangais du sud. Ce qu'annonce le communiqué officiel publié par le cabinet de la présidence du conseil. Le communiqué déclare en substance Quote Le Gouvernement central de la République note avec satisfaction la volonté du président de la province du Katanga de respecter l'accord auquel il a librement souscrit à Kitona en autorisant les sénateurs et les députés originaires du sud Katanga de se rendre à Léopoldville le 27 décembre 1961 afin de prendre part aux travaux des hautes assemblées du pays. Cette nouvelle qui cadre avec les principes de la déclaration de M. Tshombé mérite d'être accueillie avec joie. Ainsi, poursuit le communiqué, le gouvernement espère que les milieux parlementaires réserveront un accueil fraternel à nos compatriotes du Sud-Katanga qui ont accepté de venir à Léopoldville, conscients de la responsabilité qui leur incombe dans l'évolution du jeune et vaste Etat congolais. Enfin, termine le communiqué officiel, le gouvernement souhaite \_\_\_\_\_ qu'ils participent activement aux débats du parlement<sup>et</sup> qu'ils accomplissent leurs devoirs jusqu'à la clôture de la session."

SL/cc



OUTGOING CODE

OK  
J Brach

PRIORITY

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 28 December 1961  
No. ....: L-559.

*Lin.*

Received today copy for my information of telegram from Englund to Hamid Malayan Commander at Kindu. Quote. Hamid info Linner from Englund. The mixed Kindu Commission will proceed from here to Kindu- shortly. Before doing so we need all necessary information about the situation in Kindu enabling us to consider the question of security and accommodation. Should appreciate if you could give us detailed information about the situation in Kindu. We are particularly interested in the strength of the ANC and our troops and the position of the respective military units. We further want to know whether Pakassa is still in Kindu. Regarding the question of accommodation please note that the Commission will number about 15 persons. Your prompt reply appreciated. Unquote. Following despatched by me to Englund in reply. Quote. Reur 1390. Visit of Commission to Kindu must be very carefully prepared in advance particularly in regard to security arrangements. It will be most desirable for written confirmation to be obtained from responsible Congolese Authorities regarding safety and guarantee of freedom of movement for Commission. Lundula's dual position as Member of Commission as well as Commander of ANC Forces in that area places special responsibility on him to ensure such safety and give such guarantees. Malayan Unit at Kindu is not in our opinion sufficient by itself to ensure proper security without unreserved cooperation from ANC Forces.

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Please bring this to attention of Ennafla as well as other Members and inform me earliest of their views. Unquote.

Copy of memorandum on Kindu Commission's work addressed to me by Ennafla being pouched together with copy of note on interrogation of two European quote witnesses unquote who refused to divulge identity.

NTPK:ln

27 December 1961



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PRIORITY

KK  
J. Krawley

*J. Krawley*

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 27 December 1961  
No. : L-558

Following from ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Urquhart (Elleo 638).  
Quote. Aircraft with reps took off approximately 1545 hrs.  
9 reps were on board namely makonga ~~mi~~ Minister for External  
Commerce Nyembo Minister of Information and Civil Service and  
4 Parliamentarians Yav Rodolphe, Zongwe, Chifulo and Bulundwe  
and 3 Assistants Mkwembe Kabeyo and Lugunda. Munongo came  
airport to see party off and Dumontet now talking to him inter  
alia about 4 Swedes and BCK Personnel arrested this morning.  
Party was brought by consuls to ONUC HQ and taken in convoy to  
airport. Unquote.

cc Force Commander

JP:ln

27 December 1961

OUTGOING CODE

PRIORITY

OK  
Hershey

*Paymaster*

To ; SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 27 December 1961  
No. : L-.....<sup>557</sup>

Following from Ivan Smith (Elleo 633). Quote.  
<sup>INC</sup>  
Evidence accumulated Government moving gradually and quietly  
to Kipushi. Bank Congo funds are said to have gone and Favre's  
white Shoebox may have been part operation. Unquote.

JP:ln

27 December 1961



OUTGOING CODE

IMMEDIATE

TK  
Barry

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 27 December 1961  
No. : L-~~555, 556~~

*Linner*

555, 556

The departure of first batch of ANC for Kamina scheduled for this morning was delayed at the last minute following a request made by Adoula whom I saw last evening and who indicated to me he would like to go slow on the question of ANC participation in Katanga.

He referred to Tshombé's commitment in Kitona to place the Katanga Gendarmerie under the authority of the Head of State and felt he was entitled to expect a public statement to that effect from Tshombé. In <sup>THE</sup> ~~any~~ event this statement is made and should its implementation follow without delay Adoula indicated it would perhaps not make much sense to send ANC troops into Katanga as part of the ONUC Force. Consequently he suggested we should revert to this matter after this particular issue had been clarified.

Much to my surprise, however, I have now received following letter from Adoula dated 26 December: Quote. Monsieur le Chargé de Mission, J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre GVT-38/61 en date du 19 décembre 1961. Je maintiens mon offre de faire participer des contingents de l'Armée Nationale Congolaise aux opérations actuellement en cours au



Katanga. Je crains toutefois que la mise à disposition pure et simple de nos contingents dans les conditions que vous exposez dans votre précitée ne réponde pas exactement aux intentions de mon Gouvernement.

En effet, vous limitez leur intervention aux objectifs assignés à l'ONUC. Sans préjuger de l'avenir, il n'est pas exclu que ces objectifs s'écartent à certains moments des nôtres qui sont:

- a) le maintien de l'ordre sur toute l'étendue de la République;
- b) le rétablissement de la légalité et de l'autorité du Gouvernement central dans toutes les provinces;
- c) éviter l'usage des armes, sauf en cas de légitime défense.

La déclaration faite à Kitona par le Président du Gouvernement provincial katangais reconnaissant l'autorité du Gouvernement central permet implicitement les mouvements de l'Armée Nationale Congolaise au Katanga. Toute opposition à ces mouvements constituerait une violation à la parole donnée. X

JTC J'estime donc que mon Gouvernement et son Armée doivent garder leur liberté d'action. C'est pourquoi il me paraît souhaitable non pas d'intégrer nos contingents à la Force de l'ONUC, mais de coordonner leur action avec la vôtre.

Dans ce but, je vous saurais gré - comme vous le proposez d'ailleurs - de m'aider à déployer dès maintenant les contingents congolais au Katanga.

D'après le Commandement de l'Armée Nationale Congolaise, le premier objectif à atteindre serait l'occupation de la région de KAMINA, où la population est en majorité BALUBA, ce qui laisserait espérer un rapide ralliement au Gouvernement central.



Pour réaliser cette opération, le Quartier Général de l'ANC dispose d'une brigade comportant trois bataillons de commandos ou d'infanterie, un escadron de reconnaissance, de mortiers lourds et d'éléments du Génie de combat. Ces troupes sont prêtes à faire mouvement par air dans un délai de 24 à 48 heures.

L'aide dont ces troupes ont principalement besoin se limite au transport aérien des hommes, du matériel et éventuellement du ravitaillement lourd. Je souhaiterais que vous mettiez ces moyens aériens à notre disposition et que le mouvement débute à bref délai.

Il nous serait par la suite possible d'étudier l'organisation d'un organe de liaison entre les deux commandements ou d'un commandement commun, de façon à coordonner l'action de toutes les troupes suivant un plan unique et à assurer leur appui logistique aux moindres frais.

Comme nos troupes doivent à tout moment pouvoir reprendre les opérations à leur propre compte, elles devront conserver leur matériel propre, leur armement et leurs chaînes de ravitaillement.

En outre, je me permets de vous rappeler les termes de ma lettre No 1768/61 en date du 21 septembre 1961, à propos du cessez-le-feu.

J'espère, Monsieur le Chargé de Mission, que dans le but d'atteindre au plus tôt nos objectifs communs, il nous sera possible de trouver rapidement une solution à ce problème.

Veuillez croire, Monsieur le Chargé de Mission, à l'assurance de ma très haute considération. Le Premier Ministre et Ministre de la Défense Nationale, Cyrille Adoula. Unquote.

Force Commander's and my comments on above letter will follow.

Adoula's letter of 21 September was sent to you in my A-2246.

cc Force Commander

JP:ln 27 December 1961



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1961 DEC 27 PM 4:15  
ROUTINE  
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NEOPOLDVILLE

27 December 1961

UNATIONS NEWYORK

L-554

SECGEN from LINNER

*Kimba*

Following broadcast by AFP Paris, 27th December:

"M. Tshombé, je l'affirme solennellement, n'a pas signé les huit points de M. Adoula, a déclaré M. Evariste Kimba, Ministre katangais des Affaires étrangères qui se trouve actuellement à Paris. Le Parlement katangais, a-t-il ajouté, statuera le trois janvier sur les huit points et sur la contre-proposition que M. Tshombé a faite à M. Adoula. C'est sur les résolutions que votera le Parlement que le Gouvernement d'Elisabethville fixera son attitude. Il serait absurde que l'on nous reproche de respecter les règles démocratiques. Nous pouvons tout faire contre le Katanga puisqu'il n'a que les Katangais pour le défendre. Nous ne pouvons lutter contre Gizenga puisqu'il est soutenu par un grand nombre de puissances communisantes, tel est le propos que m'avait tenu M. Mahmoud Khiari, représentant de l'ONU, a dit encore M. Kimba. Ce propos, a-t-il ajouté, me semble toujours valable et me paraît expliquer l'attitude des responsables de l'ONU et des Etats-Unis. Ceux qui pensent abattre le Katanga pour empêcher M. Gizenga de prendre le pouvoir se font de dangereuses illusions. Le Katanga abattu, M. Gizenga, déjà socialiste, tentera de s'emparer du pouvoir central. Le Gouvernement Adoula ne sera alors plus qu'un souvenir. Le Ministre katangais a ajouté : avec les moyens mis en oeuvre, on peut certainement s'emparer militairement d'Elisabethville, mais tenir le Katanga sous le joug, c'est une autre affaire. M. Tshombé pouvait en juillet 1960 avoir des ennemis au Katanga. Aujourd'hui, l'action de l'ONU et l'attitude des Etats-Unis ont fait naître un véritable sentiment national katangais, Elisabethville prise, a conclu M. Evariste Kimba, la lutte se poursuivra dans la brousse, mais le Katanga, je l'affirme, ne se rendra pas."

SL/cc



OUTGOING CODE

PRIORITY

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france*

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 27 December 1961  
No. : L-553

*Linner*

Following received from Ivan Smith (Elleo 630): Quote Have passed following text also got Colonel Hogan for enquiry. (Hogan is C.O. of 26th Irish Battalion). The Rep of Belgian Consulate who brought letter and garment admitted to me personally he had his doubts about story of this kind. 2 men involved with 2 women. 1 man is alleged to have undressed to point of leaving his vest in house and evidence that alleged crime was done by Irish is that garment was made in Ireland. Nevertheless we shall do all we can to take depositions from the ladies and get more information Quote Monsieur le Representant faisant suite a notre entrevue d'hier j'ai l'honneur de vous donner ci-dessous les renseignements concernant les deux dames de nationalite Belge qui dans la nuit du 24 au 25 decembre ont ete gravement importunees par deux militaires Irlandais. Il s'agit de Madame Mathot Elise Veuve de Aranson Hyman et Madame Marguerite Marie epouse Natalis Leonard habitant un immeuble Rue de Campine no. 5 chez Monsieur Peitro. L'affaire s'est deroule entre 21 et 23 heures trente. Je joins a la presente un objet d'habillement laisse sur les lieux par un des militaires en cause. Comme vous le remarquerez, la marque indique l'origine Irlandaise. Je vous serais tres reconnaissant de prescrire l'enquete qui s'impose dans ce cas particulierement grave en donnant a l'affaire tout le benefice de l'urgence, les deux dames en question ayant manifeste le desir de rejoindre la Rhodesie dans le plus bref delai. Frederic Vandewalle Unquote.

cc: Force Commander

*JP/db*



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1961 DEC 27 PM 4:45  
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ROUTINE

LEOPOLDVILLE  
27 December 1961

UNATIONS NEWYORK

L- 552

SECGEN from LINNER

*Min.*

1. The Congolese and Belgian Governments have to-day decided in principle to establish Embassies in their respective capitals.

2.2. As a result of discussions held recently in Leo between Mr. Senoussi, Secretary-General of the Moroccan Ministry of Information, and the Central Government it has been decided in principle to have diplomatic missions established in Leo and Rabat.

In these discussions the question of possible technical assistance from Morocco to the Central Government was also ~~also~~ referred to.

SL/cc



OK  
Brandy

OUTGOING CODE

PRIORITY

To : SECRETARY GENERAL, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 27 December 1961  
No. : L-.551.

*Linier*

Reference Ivan Smith's letter to Tshombé reported in L-535 following now from Smith (Elleo 628). Quote. An almost identical letter was sent by Tshombé to ~~the~~ US French and British Consuls; each Consul has replied. Although I have only seen that from the American Consul I am told that the other replies are almost identical. Text of American Consul letter follows Quote Dear Mr President; I refer to your letter of December 26, 1961 requesting my Government's intervention in the matter of security for Katangan Parliamentarians as well for their families, scheduled to leave on December 27, 1961 for Leo.

Since this is a subject primarily between the Government of Katanga and the United Nations, my Consular Colleagues and I have consulted local Representatives of the latter Organization who have made available to us the assurances which they have been able to extend under circumstances. We have read, for example, the letter of 26 Dec 61 from Mr Ivan Smith to your Excellency and we are advised that the assurances embodied therein are the maximum possible. Moreover I am heartened by the recent manifestations of good will on both sides in this present project, and believe that the Government of



Katanga would accordingly be well advised to accept the assurances contained in that letter as sincerely meant.

It is regretted that the US Government does not possess security means in the Congo to make possible the formal guarantees which you seek. On the other hand, I note the satisfactory protection accorded your Excellency recently at Kitona by United Nations and Congolese Government security units and accordingly have increased confidence that they likewise prove adequate.

As you know, my Colleagues and I continue to stand ready to facilitate the maintenance of peace in your country. May I congratulate your Government on this despatch of Parliamentarians to Leo in ~~the~~ pursuance of your conversations with M Adoula. I am confident that wholehearted negotiations at Leo will advance the cause of peace both here and ~~and~~ elsewhere in the Congo and will add to the security which you seek in your present letter.

I take this opportunity to renew to your Excellency assurance of my highest consideration. Sincerely yours, Lew Hoffacker  
Unquote.

cc Force Commander

Chief OPI



JP:ln

27 December 1961



OUTGOING CLEAR

IMMEDIATE

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 27 December 1961  
No. : L- 550

*Linner*

Flight Information Center informs us DC 6 left E'ville with  
Ten Parla~~m~~entarians and Ivan Smith. ETA Leo 1741 Z

cc: Force Commander  
Chief, OPI

*[Signature]*  
JP/db

1961 DEC 27 PM 2:54  
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OUTGOING CLEAR

PRIORITY

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 27 December 1961  
No. : L- 549

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Following from Ivan Smith (Elleo 631 and 632): Quote We have been in contact with President Tshombe and have arranged for the group of Consuls to bring the Parliamentarians to our HQ at 1330 local. Have also arranged convoy with Ferretts to go to airport for 1400 local takeoff. President does not yet know how many Parliamentarians will appear but says they plan to takeoff with those present. He asked for further assurances concerning travel to Leo and to meet that point following letter was sent: Quote Monsieur Le President, j'ai l'honneur d'accuser reception de votre letre S.R.2635 en date du 25 decembre 1961 relative aux representants que vous etes dispose a envoyer a Leopoldville le 27 december. Les Nations Unies ont le plaisir de vous donner les assurances formelles que toutes les mesures necessaires seront prises pour garantir leur securite durant leur voyage et leur sejour a Leopoldville et pour garantir leur retour a Elisabethville lorsqu'ils en manifesteront le desir. J'ai deja demande que l'avion qui leur sera necessaire soit prepare et je serai heureux de prendre toutes les dispositions detaillees aussitot que je recevrai tous les renseignements au sujet de ce voyage. Je vous prie etc. Unquote ... Have arranged come over with Parliamentarians spend one day with you. Fact I was going in plane also had good effect in number directions. Unquote.

cc: Force Commander

JP/db



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Bozale

OUTGOING CODE

ROUTINE

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 27 December 1961  
No. : L- 548

*Lin*

Further to our L-482.

Upon his return from Kitona, we questioned Hager and found out that he was due to go to the airport with <sup>Mr.</sup> Hammarskjold's party. However soon after having left HQ, one of the cars had a flat tire and came back, while the passengers moved into the other cars. Because of lack of space in these cars, Hager was unable to proceed to N'Djili.

The Provost Marshal informs us that, according to his records, no Military Police team was on duty at N'Djili when the SecGen's plane took off.

The rest of the names given to you in our previous cable remain unchanged.

GF/db





1961 DEC 27 AM 11:41  
OUTGOING CLEAR  
O. N. U. C.

PRIORITY

LEOPOLDVILLE


27 December 1961

UNATIONS NEWYORK

L-547

SECRETARY GENERAL from LINNER. *H*

Your 9049 was not conveyed to Elisabethville  
since we were informed, in the meantime, that Knecht's trip  
was being provisionally cancelled because of Siordet's arriving<sup>AL</sup>.

  
JP:ln  
27 December 1961



OUTGOING CODE

TO : SECGEN, New York  
FROM: LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date: 27 December 1961  
No. : L- 546

*Lin*



Further to my L-483. Second batch of non-Congolese personnel apprehended by ONUC during recent hostilities in Katanga arrived Leo from Eville 25. They are:

1. BELVI Joseph
2. JACOBY Charles
3. PIETERS Clément
4. BAECKELANDT Jacques
5. BAETENS Rémy
6. BETTENDORF Joseph Charles.

All Belgian nationals except last named who is from Luxemburg. Further information will follow on conclusion of interrogation.

Also transferred from Eville to Leo are 11 Katangese military personnel, one captain and ten men.

c.c. Mr. Kanakaratne  
NK/mb



OUTGOING CODE

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PRIORITY

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 27 December 1961  
No. : L- 545

**SECRET**

Following received from Ivan Smith (Elleo 621): Quote Urquhart spoke to Tshombe at 1700 hours on 26 December. We informed him our reply concerning deputies was en route. He raised question of joint patrols against looting and we asked him to instruct Chief of Police Sapwe to coordinate patrols. We asked what time his representatives wanted to leave tomorrow and he said about 1400 hours. Consuls report there will be 19, but other information from presidency suggests only 5. We have not yet answered second letter about meeting on 3rd January of Provincial Assembly and would appreciate your comments. Tshombe also asked about Kapona where he alleges U Nations troops and ANC have attacked. We denied this. He also asked for return of his private car taken from Congo Motors during operation. View of 1 observer in contact with Tshombes advisers is he will go through with Kitona arrangement provided UNATIONS does nothing to humiliate him during next few days. No consuls have been able to see Tshombe and he appears to prefer talking direct with us. Munongo has also asked from meetings with Raja and Ivan Smith, and has agreed to joint UN police patrols provided we guarantee police will not be arrested. Kibwe today asked Colonel Maitra to accompany him to inspect his house. Maitra did this and Kibwe much gratified said that all Eville owed much to Maitra. Unquote.

cc: Force Commander

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PRIORITY

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 27 December 1961  
No. : L- 544

*Lin*  
**SECRET**

Your 9100.

This morning met Adoula who was rather unhappy about the commitment given to Tshombe. However, after a long and difficult discussion he finally accepted to write me the following letter which I have immediately transmitted to Smith:

"Je me permets de vous confirmer notre conversation de ce matin relativement au sujet rappelé en marge (Parlementaires katangais).

"Il m'est revenu que l'Organisation des Nations Unies s'est engagée à assurer le retour des parlementaires katangais à Elisabethville, à leur simple demande.

"Le point de vue exprimé dans ma lettre d'hier ~~(me)~~ reste inchangé. Toutefois, je ne veux pas m'opposer formellement à l'engagement que les Nations Unies ont pris car j'ai la conviction que les parlementaires du Katanga qui ont accepté de se rendre à Léopoldville, conscients de la responsabilité qui leur incombe, participeront activement aux débats du Parlement et qu'ils accompliront leur devoir jusqu'à la clôture de la session.

"Salutations.."

Once agreement was reached on this point I obtained his approval of two suggestions: (a) that he should make a public statement today to the effect that the Katangese parliamentarians were coming to Leo as friends and were to be treated as such by the population; (b) that he suggest to the Presidents of the Chamber and of the Senate to send a delegation to Ndjili to meet the Katangese parliamentarians.

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OUTGOING CLEAR CABLE

1961 DEC 27 PM 8:47  
PRIORITY  
O.N.U.C.

LEOPOLDVILLE

27 December 1961

UNATIONS NEW YORK .

L- 543



SECGEN FROM LINNEN . Re my L- 539 . Following is text of  
Ivan Smith's reply (Elleo 620) : Quote Monsieur le Président , j'ai l'honneur de  
vous remercier pour votre nouvelle lettre demandant des garanties pour la  
protection des familles de vos représentants pendant la mission d'une si  
haute importance qu'ils ont à remplir à Leopoldville. Nous éprouvons tous ici  
le plus grand respect et la plus profonde sympathie pour le souci de vos  
honorables représentants. C'est une préoccupation que partagent les familles et  
les Gouvernements de tous ces hommes du monde entier qui sont venus dans la  
République du Congo pour servir les Nations Unies . La tranquillité qui a  
caractérisé ces quelques derniers jours et les indices de bonne foi qui se  
reflètent dans ce qui a été accompli en coopération par les Katangais et les  
Omusiens en vue de remettre en fonctionnement les services centraux sont une  
preuve de notre ardent désir de voir le Katanga revenir aussi vite que  
possible à une vie normale.

Le Général Raja se joint à moi pour vous assurer que les opérations  
de l'ONUC au Katanga continueront à être dominées par notre désir de maintenir  
la tranquillité, l'ordre et la légalité. Nos opérations ont eu seulement pour  
but d'assurer la protection du personnel de l'ONUC et la liberté de mouvement



qui nous était nécessaire pour nous acquitter efficacement des responsabilités qui nous incombent aux termes de la Résolution du Conseil de sécurité.

Je suis sûr que toutes les parties intéressées continueront de faire preuve de la réserve qui a été évidente de tous côtés au cours des quelques derniers jours et qu'il en résultera , bien entendu, un calme prolongé.

J'ai l'honneur de vous informer qu'un avion DC6 spécial des Nations Unies va se mettre en route et sera prêt demain matin à emmener vos représentants à Léopoldville. Nous serons heureux de prendre toutes les mesures pratiques nécessaires pour assurer leur sécurité sur le trajet de l'aérodrome aussitôt que nous connaîtrons à quelle heure et dans quelles conditions vos représentants seront prêts à prendre le départ .

Formule de politesse . Unquote .

Above was received prior to your 9099 .

cc Force Commander

JP/ sl



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SECRET

To : SECGEN, NEW YORK

From : LINNER, LEO

Date : 26 December 1961

Nº : L- 542

Have just received following letter from Adoula Reference 3375/61 of 26 December QUOTE Comme vous le savez, M. Tshombe a convoqué pour ces prochains jours l'Assemblée provinciale katangaise, en vue d'examiner la déclaration qu'il a faite à Kitona. PARA Je me permets d'attirer votre attention sur le fait que le Gouvernement central entend que l'Assemblée provinciale katangaise se réunisse au complet, donc avec la participation des élus provinciaux du Nord Katanga. Ladite réunion devra se tenir selon la légalité et il faut qu'elle puisse bénéficier de la protection de l'ONU - si nécessaire - et que chaque participant soit assuré qu'il peut s'exprimer librement. PARA Le Gouvernement central souhaiterait que la prochaine réunion de l'Assemblée provinciale katangaise ait lieu ailleurs qu'à Elisabethville, - sous la protection de l'ONU, afin que puissent y participer sans risque tous les députés provinciaux et notamment ceux du Nord Katanga. Ceci sans préjudice du point de vue du Gouvernement central selon lequel l'Assemblée provinciale katangaise ne peut siéger à propos de questions dépassant sa compétence, comme la discussion de l'application ou de la non-application de la Loi fondamentale. PARA En vous remerciant à l'avance de vos bons offices en cette nouvelle circonstance, je vous prie d'agréer, etc.. UNQUOTE

The above should be read in conjunction with my L-541. Your earliest guidance appreciated.

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26 December 1961

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L- 541

SECGEN from LINNER

PRIORITY  
1961 DEC 26 PM 6:37  
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Following from Ivan Smith (ELLEO 618) QUOTE Following letter just received from Tshombe "J'ai l'honneur de porter à votre connaissance que l'Assemblée Nationale du Katanga se réunira le 3 janvier 1962. PARA. Pour les députés se trouvant en territoire de Jadotville, Dilolo, Lubudi, Kamina, Sandoa, Sakania, Kambove, Kapagna, Kongolo, Kolwezi, Kaniama, Mitwaba, Pweto et Baudoinville, le Gouvernement du Katanga mettra à leur disposition un moyen de transport, soit par voie aérienne, soit par route. PARA En conséquence, je vous demande de donner des instructions afin que ces transports ne soient pas attaqués par les Forces de l'ONU. PARA Pour les quatre territoires suivants, je vous saurais gré de bien vouloir assurer le transport des intéressés: Territoire d'Albertville Chef Monikabwe Chef Tumbwe Muninunga Mr Kapinga, Luc Germain Territoire de Bukama Mr Banza Ismel Brackets se trouve actuellement à Léo (Territoire de Kabalo) Mr Kipaiko Polydor, Mulungoy Polydor. Territoire de Malembankulu Mr Njulu Mafuta Ladiwlas Mr Ngoy Gabriel Mr Katendo Kilundu Mr Mabila Mikombi Pierre. PARA D'autre part, le Président de l'Assemblée ~~Général~~ Nationale du Katanga me prie également de vous demander des garanties pour que durant le séjour des députés à Elisabethville, il n'y ait pas de reprises d'hostilités. PARA Je vous prie de bien vouloir me confirmer votre accord à ce sujet et, dans l'attente de votre réponse, je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur le Représentant, l'expression de ma haute considération.

cc: Force Commander  
Chief, OPI

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IMMEDIATE

To : SECGEN, NEW YORK

From : LINNER, LEO

Date : 26 December 1961

Nº : L-540

*Parmentier*  
**SECRET**

Re my L-535 I have just received following letter from Adoula under Reference 3374/61 dated 26 December, subject Parlementaires katangais QUOTE Vous m'avez informé que les parlementaires du Katanga avaient sollicité, de la part de Monsieur Tshombe, la protection de l'ONU lors de leur déplacement d'Elisabethville vers Léopoldville, en vue de participer aux travaux du Parlement. Ces mêmes parlementaires ont demandé que l'ONU les ramène à Elisabethville dès qu'ils en exprimeront le désir. PARA. Si le Gouvernement central ne voit pas d'objection à ce que votre Organisation accorde les facilités nécessaires au voyage des parlementaires katangais, il ne saurait accepter que ces mêmes parlementaires regagnent Elisabethville, à leur simple demande, n'importe quand, au cours de la session parlementaire. PARA. En effet, nos parlementaires ont pour obligation de prendre part aux travaux du Parlement jusqu'à la clôture de la session à laquelle ils participent. Il n'est donc pas question que certains d'entre eux quittent Léopoldville avant la fin des travaux.

Veuillez croire, etc. UNQUOTE

The above is in obvious contradiction with assurances already given by Smith and your urgent instructions will be appreciated.

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SECRETARY GENERAL from LINER.

Further mycoded message of today following from Ivan Smith (Elleo 617). Quote. We have just received following letter from President Tshombe quote subsidiairement à ma lettre du 25 Décembre 1961, j'ai l'honneur de vous informer que les Députés se rendant à Léopoldville me prient de vous demander des garanties supplémentaires pour leurs familles/

En effet, ils demandent que les troupes de l'ONU ne recommencent pas les hostilités durant leur absence, ce qui mettrait leurs familles en danger. Dans l'attente de votre réponse à ce sujet, je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur le Représentant, l'expression de ma haute considération. Unquote. Of course I must send immediate reply text of which will follow soon. Unquote.

cc Force Commander

JP:ln

26 December 1961



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PRIORITY

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To : SECRETARY GENERAL, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville *Linner*  
Date : 26 December 1961  
No. : L-538

Ivan Smith informs me (Elleo 613) he has had another telephone conversation with Tshombe today during which latter claimed he had just received information his Gendarmes at Kapona were being attacked by joint UN and ANC troops. He added his Deputy<sup>4</sup> were waiting ready to go to Leopoldville but were complaining that at such moment Katangese were being attacked at Kapona.

Our Military Representatives in Albertville have reported that Captain Mika had stated his troops were mounting an attack against Kapona beginning early this morning. We have however no information that this offensive was <sup>ACTUALLY</sup> ~~officially~~ launched.

There are no UN troops in Kapona.

*J*  
Jacques Poujoulat:ln

26 December 1961



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**SECRET**

TO : SECGEN, New York

FROM: LINNER, Leopoldville

Date: 26 December 1961

No. : L- 537

The Swedish Consul here has <sup>been</sup> requested <sup>by his Government to ask</sup> me to transmit through Ivan Smith the following cable which the Swedish Prime Minister <sup>has already sent</sup> ~~is addressing~~ to Tshombe <sup>through commercial channels</sup> and which has so far not been published. This message reads:

"Son Excellence Monsieur Moïse Tshombe, la Présidence Elisabethville.  
Au cours des incidents survenus à Elisabethville au début de ce mois la Gendarmerie katangaise appréhende dix citoyens suédois, militaires, techniciens, spécialistes et personnel médical au service de l'ONU. Au cours de la nuit entre le deux et le trois décembre sept d'entre eux furent amenés par force de leurs quartiers aux installations de la Gendarmerie, tandis que trois, dont un médecin et deux infirmiers, furent arrêtés au cours d'une mission dans l'après-midi du trois décembre quand ils cherchaient à secourir les victimes d'une embuscade. Aucun motif militaire légitime ne pourrait être invoqué pour justifier leur détention. Depuis près de quinze jours nous sommes sans aucune nouvelle de leur sort. Je vous cite ci-dessous leurs noms, grades et fonctions:

Commandant Hasselstroem	Bataillon suédois
Lieutenant Sandstroem	Groupe de techniciens
Captaine Modig	Receveur des Postes
Lieutenant Hedenskog	Médecin
Sergeant Gustafson	Photographe
Sergeant Huldberg	Bataillon suédois
Sergeant Brage	Bataillon suédois



Sergeant Westin	Bataillon suédois
Sergeant Feldt	Infirmier
Soldat Lindblad	Chauffeur

Le onze de ce mois Kimba a reçu le Gérant du Vice-Consulat de Suède à Elisabethville. Ce dernier a demandé à cette occasion la permission de visiter les prisonniers. Cette requête est restée sans réponse. Maintenant que le calme est revenu à Elisabethville et que les hostilités ont cessé je me permets au nom de mon Gouvernement et du peuple suédois, qui attachent une importance toute spéciale et particulière au sort de nos compatriotes de faire appel à votre Excellence pour qu'ils soient immédiatement libérés. Leur détention ultérieure ne peut nullement être justifiée. Dans le groupe des prisonniers se trouvent deux citoyens norvégiens, le Lieutenant Frdrikssen et le Sergeant Skaret, arrêtés en même temps que les Suédois, je vous prie de bien vouloir les inclure dans le groupe de prisonniers à libérer. A l'attente de votre réponse, très haute considération. Erlander, Premier Ministre de Suède."

I have deferred transmission of the above message until I receive your concurrence since the request was not made through you.

Another way of achieving its quick transmission would be for me to advise the Swedish Consul here to have the message routed through the International Committee of the Red Cross, in which case it would be sent by de Preux here to either Senn or Melcher. This latter means would, I think, be more appropriate and in keeping with the International Red Cross responsibilities



*Please*

~~You should~~ note, in this respect, that the Norwegian Government has requested on 13 December the assistance of the ICRC in order to secure the early and safe release of its two nationals now in the hands of the Katangese.

The Swedish Consul also told me that the Swedish military authorities were instructing Waern to take all measures to obtain the liberation of the Swedish prisoners with the exception of such measures which can be considered as having political implications on which he would have to consult with the Swedish Consul in Leo. Even with these reservations, I think the Swedish military authorities should be informed they cannot issue Waern with any such direct instructions which would clearly place him in a most embarrassing position.

Your earliest reactions appreciated.



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To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 26 December 1961  
No. : L- 536

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**SECRET**

Further to our L-512, the following has been received from Ivan Smith (Elleo 592): Quote Difficult give accurate appreciation but following summary present position. Water supply now restored. Hope electricity supply restored within 2 days. Maximum cooperation being given. Believe local technical personnel adequate at present unless new wave panic strikes them. Petrol and oil supply very short due burning Socopetrol. Are assisting Mobiloil representative use his stocks. Food situation reported by Senn to be not too bad though complete lack fresh meat and bread due partly arrest Brettendorf who bakes more than half Eville bread and has strong paramilitary sideline. Eville situation greatly complicated by deserted houses inviting looters and gendarmerie terror in African communes causing mass exodus African population. Hope cooperation with police may improve situation. We also cooperating fully with Judiciary and Procureur d'Etat on investigations and fact finding on missing persons and incidents. Redcross sending medical supplies from Rhodesia. Post Office telex still out but believe Post Office open for other work. Manager BCK visiting 1130 today discuss resumption rail services. Sabena representative was despatched to airport 0830 this morning and being given full cooperation. All teachers still here. Have advised them not open schools until 28 Dec./


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Probable that school opening in communes will be even later. Believe Lumumbashi installations not seriously damaged except for possible damage main administrative office. Cutting of power lines Kipushi is causing concern Union Miniere since main pumps there not operating and mines filling with water. All efforts will be made restore Kipushi electrical supply as soon as Eville supply is assured. Baluba camp remains serious preoccupation to all. Will cable immediately if any technicians required. Meanwhile our small civilian staff particularly Paus Wiss and Fernando Farrach have done wonders but very tired. If practical courageous persons of outdoor and resourcefull type available we can use several urgently Unquote.

Dumontet will go to Elisabethville (see our L-530) tomorrow and upon his return we shall be able to have a more definite view of Elisabethville needs.

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Gf. 

cc. Dumontet



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**SECRET**

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TO : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 26 December 1961  
No. : L-.....<sup>535</sup>

*Plummer*

Last night I received following from Ivan Smith, Raja (Elleo 606). Quote. At 1730 local we telephoned to speak to Monongo and Tshombe came on the telephone. No Consul has yet seen Tshombe and few have spoken to him. We are convinced we were speaking to him. He was in very moderate and calm frame of mind. We told him that we had just received his letter text of which will be found at the end of the signal and we agreed to the 2 points covered security of the trip and at Leo and their return which I felt free to agree since qualifying phrase was included as you will see end point 2. Tshombe was grateful. He said that it would be 19 or 20 people involved and he would let us have further details tomorrow. We promised him written reply and I would be grateful for any urgent comments suggestions in the form of reply. In the same telephone conversation we were able to clear 1 or 2 misunderstandings about local incidents. At present we do not know at what time whole Deputies and Senators gather and ready ~~go~~ to go but I take it you will try making some plans for a DC6 aircraft to be ready for departure from here early



December 27. Tshombe went on to speak about the difficulties of assembling all of the people for the January Session of the Provincial Assembly and asked if we could help. We said give us all details which we would consider very sympathetically in the spirit of full cooperation. Text of the letter. Quote.

J'ai l'honneur de porter à votre connaissance que le Gouvernement du Katanga est disposé à envoyer à Léopoldville à la date du 27 Décembre 1961 les représentants qui avaient été élus Députés ou Sénateurs auprès du Gouvernement de Léopoldville.

Toutefois avant d'autoriser leur départ, le Gouvernement du Katanga désire obtenir des assurances formelles et écrites de l'Organisation des Nations Unies garantissant 1 leur sécurité durant leur voyage et leur séjour à Léopoldville 2 leur retour à Elisabethville dès qu'ils en manifestent le désir. Dès que j'aurai reçu votre réponse, les dispositions pour le voyage seront prises. Formule de politesse. Signé: le Président du Katanga Moise Tshombe Elisabethville le 25 Décembre 1961. Unquote.

I got in touch with Adoula to whom I transmitted gist of above ~~message~~ cable in official letter form this morning and it had been agreed that I should meet him beginning of this afternoon since he had serious reservations particularly as <sup>regards</sup> ~~point~~ point 2. Over the telephone Adoula indicated Katanga Deputies and Senators should remain here for duration of Parliamentary Session.

Adoula has now called cancelling scheduled meeting because he has to attend a Council of his Ministers. I will try and see him either late tonight or early tomorrow morning.



In the meantime I have received from Ivan Smith a further message in which he quotes the text of the reply which he has addressed to Tshombe and which had been delivered personally by the US Consul.

This letter reads: Quote. Monsieur le Président j'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre S R 2635 en date du 25 Décembre 1961, relative aux représentants que vous êtes disposé à envoyer à Léopoldville le 27 Décembre.


Les Nations Unies ont le plaisir de vous donner les assurances formelles que toutes les mesures nécessaires seront prises pour garantir leur sécurité durant leur voyage et leur séjour à Léopoldville, et pour garantir leur retour à Elisabethville lorsqu'ils en manifesteront le désir.

J'ai demandé que l'avion qui leur sera nécessaire soit préparé ~~et~~ et je serai heureux de prendre toutes les dispositions détaillées aussitôt que je recevrai tous les renseignements au sujet de ce voyage formule politesse Unquote.

A UN plane is being sent to Elisabethville in order to bring the Parliamentarians<sup>ans</sup> back tomorrow and all arrangements are being also made for their lodging and for their security, the latter being naturally not applicable during Parliamentary Sessions.

*Adoula's reaction to*  
I am concerned about Smith's acceptance of point 2 and will let you know detailed views of Prime Minister as soon as I have seen him.

Any comments you may wish to make in the meantime will be appreciated.



Jacques Poujoulat:ln  
26 December 1961



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TO: ~~Bureau~~ SEGEN, MacFarquhar, New York  
 FROM: Linner, Dumontet, Leopoldville  
 DATE: 26 December 1961  
 NO. L- 534

American Embassy inform us they are prepared to make a contribution of ten thousand dollars for flood relief in Stanleyville and Coquilhatville areas through the United Nations. This contribution would be made in response to a request for help from Adoula.

~~We pointed out that~~ Before accepting such a contribution <sup>would like to</sup> we ~~must~~ have your concurrence. Please advise.



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**SECRET**

PRIORITY

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TO : SECGEN, NEW YORK  
FROM : LINNER, Leopoldville  
DATE : 26 December 61  
No : L- 533

*Lin*

Reference your 8949 . Following comment received from Ivan Smith in reply to our cable transmitting text of your message : Quote . Your 871 could not reply until had discussed with battalion Commander. Might well be useful investigation but do not have staff with technical knowledge here. If you could establish small team 2 or 3 people with knowledge industrial installations to spend 3 or 4 days here we could make local arrangements. Question of books less likely fruitful since we do not have main administration building. We have offices of industrial plant which your industrial team could cope with . Unquote .

2. George Dumontet who will be in Elisabethville tomorrow will discuss with Ivan Smith the question of sending industrial team as requested in the context of plans now being prepared by Civilian Operations for dispatch of personnel from Leo to Eville for purposes of restoration and maintenance of vital and essential services .

3. Examination of books to ascertain appearance of mercenaries on payroll will be difficult since administration building is not under ONUC control .

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TO : SECGEN, New York  
FROM: LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date: 26 December 1961  
No. : L- 532

SECRET

Reference 9075. Matter was first raised by Foreign Ministry in Note dated October 20 in which a detailed inventory of all military material and equipment captured by ONUC from Katangese forces was requested. At that time Cease-Fire Commission was engaged in compiling complete inventory of such material for purposes of exchange of material captured by the two sides. Discussion of such an exchange was to figure on agenda of next meeting of Cease-Fire Commission, and any decision regarding transfer of Katangese equipment to Central Government was therefore dependent on arrangements for exchange of Katangese material for ONUC material in the first instance. Reference of question to Headquarters for decision with any recommendation of ours was accordingly delayed pending Cease-Fire Commission's meetings which in the event never took place. Foreign Ministry's present enquiry has no doubt been prompted by military activities of 5 December to 19 December.

c.c. Mr. Kanakaratne  
NK/mb



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PRIORITY

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 26 December 1961  
No. : L-531

*Lin*



Prime Minister Adoula asked us to transmit the following message dated 22 December to Kasongo Niembo Quote Etant donne accord intervenu avec President Tshombe Gouvernement Central vous demande entiere collaboration avec lui. Pour ce qui est de votre statut ainsi que du traitement dont vous beneficiaiez actuellement comme pour les autres droits dont vous jouissez ils vous sont garantis par Gouvernement Central. Vous prie me marquer votre accord pour fidèle collaboration avec Gouvernement par intermediaire Nations Unies au cas impossibilité m'atteindre directment fullstop Unquote.

Gauvreau has now informed us (Kaleo 126) that the message has been transmitted to Kasongo Niembo on the telephone and in writing Sunday morning 24 December and that he will communicate the Grand Chef's decision as soon as received. Kasongo Niembo told Gauvreau that he had not received any word from Tshombe since the latter's return to Elisabethville and he was expecting directives.

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To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 26 December 1961  
No.: L- 530

SECRET

Your 9077. My A-2332 of October 7 refers.

Since then the sixth floor set-up has been further weakened through Wattles' departure. Thus we now have only one legal adviser with political background, Kanakarathne. With his departure soon, we will have only Marcella who, although French-speaking and no doubt very well-qualified, will naturally need some time before he gets his feet on the ground.

Supposing Abdoun will prove able to help me maintain government contacts, there is always strong need for a man to keep in touch, personally and otherwise, with our delegates in the provinces. As you know, first Xavier Caballero and then Tickner were slated for that task but soon had to devote themselves to other urgent tasks. With new men in charge at Luluabourg, Bukavu and Coquilhatville, and at least one of them not very strong, such a contact man is more needed than ever.

Even with a new man in addition to Abdoun we would thus hardly arrive at the minimum staff long envisaged. Indeed I find still another man would be justified and necessary. There is none in reserve at all, should one of the key men fall ill or break down, as happened for instance with Tickner. With the strain and stress on our provincial delegates, and indeed on all of us, it is indeed something of a miracle that we have not had more casualties. But I am sure you agree that a certain safety margin, however small, is well worth the expense.

Ivan Smith has requested the urgent assistance of Dumontet for a week or so and he will leave for Elisabethville on the 27th. With Khiary away, thus temporarily also Dumontet, I feel it would be unwise to weaken the civilian operations' set-up by bringing over Corradini to the sixth floor as had been previously ~~investigated~~ <sup>planned -</sup>.  
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To : SECRETARY GENERAL, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 26 December 1961  
No. : L-529

Following from Ivan Smith (Elleo 604). Quote.

My office phone connected this morning (25 December) and Munongo immediately called and spoke to Urquhart. After subdued exchange seasonal greetings Munongo asked ONUC to regulate situation in European quarters Union Minière and Commune Elizabeth where Ethiopians alleged to be looting. Also asked ONUC cooperation with police which is already being arranged with Chief of Police Sapwe whom Urquhart met at Christmas eve Swedish dinner. Munongo also expressed urgent desire meet Smith and Raja. We are stalling on this for time being since little to discuss except cooperation on sending Deputies to Leo which we have cordially offered through Consuls. Unquote.

cc Force Commander

J. Poujoulat:ln

26 December 1961



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ROUTINE

1961 DEC 26 PM 12:06  
O.N.U.C.

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 26 December 1961  
No. : L-528

*Lin*

Following sent today to Red Cross in Geneva: Quote From Melcher Elisabethville. 26 December 0800. Avons visite avant hier apres midi prisonniers faits par ONUC et se trouvant aeroport. Majorite prisonniers Katangais seront probablement liberes ce jour. Deux dernier Europeens civils non transferees a Leopoldville ont ete liberes au cours notre visite et conduits par nos soins en ville. Avons remis aux prisonniers Katangais au nom leur Gouvernement Cadeaux Noel sous forme produits alimentaires. Tous sont tres bien traites et aucune plainte n'a ete enregistree. Seen a visite hier avant midi prisonniers ONUC faits par gendarmerie Katangais. Tous se trouvent Kipushi. Il s'agit de onze Suedois et deux Norvegiens. Les deux Norvegiens appartenant au service medical ONUC. Sont tous en parfaite sante et tres bien traites. Ont reçu courrier ainsi que Cadeaux Noel remis par Senn. Senn a egalement visite six prisonniers appartenant a l'armee Nationale Congolaise. Tous en bonne sante et bien traites. Priere informer Delegation CICR Leopoldville que liste nominative des six prisonniers sera communiquee directement par ONUC Elisabethville au Gouvernement Central Leopoldville. Membre votre Comite attendu ce jour Elisabethville. Des son arrive le mettrai au courant du resultat enquete obtenu jusqu'a ce jour concernant deces Olivet et compagnons. Courant electrique

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sera vraisemblablement retabli ce soir ou demain. Pertes subies en produits perissables pour cause rupture courant electriques fort importantes. Pour DPF Berne. En conformite avec loi Congolaise ai remis hier effets personnels trouves sur corps Favre au procureur d'Etat. En vue etablir dossier d'instruction. Ai a cette occasion donne toutes informations utiles et remis copie mon interrogatoire du journaliste blesse et se trouvant dans meme voiture. Ai retabli contact avec tous ressortissants Suisses et Suissesses mariees a etrangers. Tous en parfaite sante. Unquote.

cc: Chief, OPI

Mr. de Preux (41 Ave. Walcke - Leo).

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ROUTINE

LEOPOLDVILLE  
26 December 1961

UNATIONS NEWYORK

L- 527

SECGEN from LINNER

1961 DEC 26 AM 10:59  
O.N.U.C.

*Lin*

Following was broadcast by Brazza morning 26th:

"Welensky a convoqué un conseil de cabinet extraordinaire pour discuter demain l'évolution de la situation au Congo ex-belge. Le Premier Ministre a fait à ce propos la déclaration suivante : 'Le Secrétaire intérimaire des Nations Unies demande davantage des canons, des chars et des troupes pour le Katanga. Ayant à l'esprit le sort du peuple katangais et ce sont parfaitement les événements que le bloc afro-asiatique voudrait voir se produire ailleurs en Afrique, je considère que la situation est d'une telle gravité que j'ai convoqué pour demain une réunion spéciale du Gouvernement rhodésien. Cette réunion, a continué Sir Roy, étudiera les conséquences de cette situation sur la fédération et décidera s'il y a lieu de modifier notre attitude à l'égard du Katanga.' Le Premier Ministre de Rhodésie a ajouté : 'On nous accuse d'avoir autorisé jeeps armées de mitrailleuses et conduites par des mercenaires à traverser la frontière et à entrer au Katanga. Une vaste publicité a été donnée à cette information mais aucune précision n'a été fournie. Je répète une fois de plus que notre politique est d'autoriser, dans la mesure où les circonstances le permettent, le commerce normal traditionnel entre le Katanga et la fédération, mais je n'ai pas autorisé l'importation d'équipements militaires. Nous n'avons pas trouvé le moindre reproche que cette politique ~~ait~~ ait jamais été violée. En ce qui concerne les camions, les véhicules ont apporté une quantité limitée de ravitaillement civil à Kipushi et à Elisabethville. Nul n'ignore, étant donné que les

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forces des Nations Unies mitraillent les trains au Katanga, que les routes ~~vi~~ constituent l'unique moyen de communication relativement sûr pour le ravitaillement de la population civile. Enfin, Sir Roy a exprimé le souhait que les représentants supérieurs de la Croix-Rouge qui visiteront bientôt le Katanga soient autorisés à enquêter sur les informations concernant les violences commises par certains soldats des Nations Unies et leurs actes de sauvagerie commis aussi bien contre les civils que contre les soldats katangais."



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ROUTINE

1961 DEC 26 AM 10:59

O. N. U. C.

To: : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 26 December 1961  
No. : L- 526

Following received from Ivan Smith:(Elleo 597) Quote  
Understand Brazzaville radio said we had prevented corres-  
pondents from visiting Olivet ambulance and area of tragedy.  
Untrue that ONUC did that. At request of International  
Red Cross which was conducting investigation we were asked  
to permit nobody to enter the area until the Red Cross and  
the Procureur d'Etat of Eville have completed their inquiries  
and removed the bodies. Some press correspondents were  
angry because they were not permitted to go in to photograph.  
Bodies in ground or being removed and quite apart from Inter  
RedCross insistence that to protect investigation none should  
enter, one would have thought that out of decency they would  
not have insisted on getting into area to photograph until  
bodies were removed Ghurka guard referred to by Brazza was  
only during period requested by Inter Redcross. As soon as  
bodies were removed all correspondents were free to go there.  
Unquote.

cc: Force Commander  
Chief, OPI

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ROUTINE  
1961 DEC 26 AM 10:11  
O.N.U.C.

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 26 December 1961  
No. : L- 525

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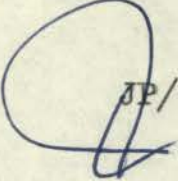
Following was sent by Melcher to Red Cross in Geneva: Quote  
24 decembre 14h00. Avons enterre ce matin Olivet et compagnons  
dans enclos hopital reine Elisabeth en presence Senn Corps  
Consulaire Represenants Croix Rouge Katangaise et Corps Medical.  
Gouvernement Katangais represente par Yav Secetaire d'Etat a  
la Defense Nationale. Service funebre tenu par aumonier  
Protestant et pretre Catholique. Ai procure grande couronne  
deposee sur trois cercueils au nom CICR. Premiers temoins  
donnant informations sur disparition Olivet se sont presentes  
ce matin chez Procureur d'Etat. Enquete en route. Gouverne-  
ment Katangais ma fait parvenir message suivant adresse Delege  
CICR. Le Gouvernement du Katanga tient a vous presenter ses  
plus sincerres condoleances a l'occasion de la mort de Monsieur  
Olivet. Le Gouvernement du Katanga est conscient du magnifique  
travail qui a ete realise pendant les evenements cruels du  
Katanga par l'Orga/nis#ation de paix que vous representez.  
Train avec 310 femmes et enfants a quitte hier Elisabethville  
pour Rhodesie. Deuxieme train avec envrion 300 refugies en  
route. Ndola est toujours informe par telephone Consulat  
Britannique de chaque depart. Train ravitaillement se composant  
de quatre wagons sucre un wagon riz un wagon basic foodstuffs et  
un wagon general foodstuffs quittera ce ~~soir~~ <sup>soir</sup> 22H00 Ndola.

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Considerons votre message concernant evacuation Jadotville et Kowezi sans objet. Selon informations recues direction Compagnie Chemin de Fer trafic ferroviaire entre Jadotville Kilwezi et Angola normal. Jugeons de ce fait notre intervention inutile. Visiterons cet apres midi prisonniers faits par ONUC et se trouvant aeroport. Visite Senn aupres prisonniers ONUC faits par gendarmerie Katangaise et se trouvant Kipushi remise a demain matin. Premier avion Sabena venant d'Europe attendu demain Elisabethville. Vous remercie pour appui ma requete. Priere tenir Berne informe de ce qui precede a ajouter avoir transmis son message a Roland Marti. Unquote.

cc: Chief, OPI



JP/db



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ROUTINE

LEOPOLDVILLE

26 December 1961

UNATIONS NEWYORK

L-524

*Linner*

SECRETARY GENERAL from LINNER. Following from  
Jerkovic' (Albertville). Quote. On December twenty three I  
escorted Mr. Sendwé to Nyunzu where he effected nomination of  
local Authorities. In his speech he especially underlined his  
sincere gratitude to United Nations. He appealed to his people  
not to mistreat the Opposition and urged all population to hard  
work. Present were about three thousand inhabitants very  
enthusiastic by his presence. Unquote/

cc Force Commander

Chief OPI



J. Poujoulat:ln

26 December 1961



Outgoing Clear Cable

Routine

To : Unations New York

From: Omuc Leopoldville

Date: 24 December

No : .. L- 523

For Beatrice Chen Room 3853 from Brian Urquhart : quote please  
pouch Minox film ASA 50 stop Happy Christmas unquote



Outgoing Clear Cable

Priority

To : Secgen New York  
From : Linner Leopoldville  
Date : 24 December  
Re : L.- 522

Reur 9030 following from Ivan Smith (Hilleo 593) : Quote We have reported earlier on incidents concerning UUNH troops and civilians. All possible efforts being made control our troops in new and more peaceful situation. We deeply regret civilian deaths caused during military action and all possible measures have been taken to discipline and control our troops including as of yesterday afternoon joint patrols over area. Must point out this connection problem pillage looting and violence to persons enormously complicated by gendarmerie terrorization African communes. For example on 22 Dec Reverend Robinson was nearly killed by looting Africans in his own mission house and was rescued by Gorkhan. Para Engineer Loeb who has been given superhuman degree assistance by Maitre talking nonsense. As soon as we could persuade Belgian personnel of water works and electric co. to go outdoors under escort all cooperation has been given and no trouble with UUNH troops reported. Collapse water supply due electricity lines being cut by fire in Lido area and failure diesel auxiliary due to lack of oil UNquote

cc. Force Commander  
Chief CPI



OK *Rouss*

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Priority

To: SECGEN New York  
From: Linner Leopoldville  
Date: 24 December  
No : L.- 521

*Rouss*

Further L 513 following from Ivan Smith (Elleo 583): quote Money was handed Redcross in my absence and due misunderstanding. Eye did not want to return it to government because it would well have been pay mercenaries at Kipushi. Have caught before before sit was handed over and it now being held by Mr Melcher Consul General of Switzerland and delegate International Red Cross. It was given him because Favre who had money was Swiss citizen. Melcher has agreed hold money in safe custody and eye have sent him following letter

Quote we kindly request you not to hand over to the Procureur d'Etat or any other party the shoe box containing 896500 francs which was found in the car where Mr Favre was killed until further investigation indicates reason for money and for what purpose unquote stop ~~immediate~~



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Priority

TO : SEGEN , New York  
FROM : LINNER, Leopoldville  
DATE : ~~23~~ 24 December 61  
No : L- 520

*Raymond*

*OK/R*

Following from Ivan Smith ( Elleo 579) : Quote .

Met Hoffacker this morning. Kimba says he is going London and Paris today or tomorrow but there are no planes from here. Munongo expressed gratitude to ONUC for offering cooperation facilitate ambulance (referred my <sup>L-506</sup> ~~Elleo 556~~). We were informed late last night ambulance would not be coming because patient had died. Doubt whether any Consuls yet seen Tshombe who is playing " Mysterious". Hoffacker now as new and less favourable view of Kimba who is "unhelpful and allied with Munongo ". No Consul has so far seen got got any direct line on Tshombe's attitude to Kitona agreement. Rhodesian Federation Broadcasting insisting play up in all bulletins Bunche's statement clearly out of context. In effect it said in its bulletin at his first conference Dr Bunche "now agrees that Tshombe did not sign any written agreement ". Eye can easily guess what was left out . Unquote .

In a further message (Elleo 587) Smith reported : Quote .

Cannot confirm but reliable reports that Kimba left for Paris London Brussels Bonn. Ethiopians claim Tshombe has gone South Kipushi road to Rhodesia but this could be Kimba travelling in Tshombe's car . Unquote .



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PRIORITY

TO : SEGEN, New York  
FROM : LINNER, Léopoldville  
DATE : 24 December 1961  
No : L- 519

Following from Ivan Smith ( ELLEO 584, 585, 588 ) : Quote

American and French Consuls here 1600LT ( 23 December). They have been trying to see Tshombe without success. They had "most unsatisfactory" meeting Kimba Yesterday. He was unyielding and bitter. Today they saw Kibwe and Munongo who were as opposed to Kitona agreement as Kimba but politically more realistic and recognized some action expected. Claimed they will be sending 8 Deputies and 7 Senators to Leo 27 December but wish arrange short joint meeting of all before they set out for Leo. Consuls asked if we would help. We said that we would do everything possible but privately we told Consuls that if these numbers included North Katanga they should recall the disinclination shown by Albertville Representatives to accept invitation visit Eli a few weeks ago. The Consuls recognized that North Katanga aspect may be a stumbling block but all agree that no reason why one group should not go from North and one from South for Joint preliminary briefing session Leo itself. We said that if North Katanga representatives wished to come here on their way to Leo a meeting under our protection could be arranged at airport. At this stage the details are not as important as the fact that the Consuls are going back to report our willingness to assist them to fullest extent possible .

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US and French Consuls told me meeting with Kimba Yesterday was "unbelievable". He was very bitter about ~~US~~ and even went to the excess of saying to both Consuls that ~~US~~ is operating in Congo for racial reasons to "écraser les nègres". At today's meeting with ~~Kimba~~<sup>KIBWE</sup> the anti-american feeling was not very hidden. For example Kibwe told them that Gullion's offer to Tshombe was "between capitulation or annihilation". My own evaluation is that such excess is and general lack governmental organization leads Consuls suppose that foundations are breaking.

Consuls thought Katangese Parliament would meet after 27 Dec to consider 8 protocole and envisage meeting on January 3, 1962 under Article 5 of Government commission of Katangese and Leo representatives to discuss modification Loi fondamentale. Unquote.

JP/sl



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LEOPOLDVILLE  
23 December 1961

UNITATIONS NEWYORK

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SENDER from LINER . Following relayed to Red Cross Geneva from Melchior : Quete  
Bville 22 December 17 h stop Depreux a quitté ce jour Elisabethville  
pour Leopoldville stop Senn a effectué aujourd'hui patrouille accompagnée  
officiers Ethiopiens quartiers occupés par ces troupes stop situation semblait  
calme dans son ensemble stop Reçois toutefois nouveaux appels signalant  
pillage par soldats Ethiopiens en état d'ivresse stop Après entretien avec  
autorités Katangaises Senn a obtenu affirmation prisonniers ONU en bonne santé stop  
A reçu autorisation les visiter stop Visite prévue pour Dimanche 24 décembre stop  
Présumons prisonniers se trouver Jadotville ou Kolwezi stop Senn a également  
obtenu autorisation ONUC pour personnel chemin de fer pénétrer gare centrale stop  
Nouveau train Rhodénia stop Senn entreprendra demain recherches avec patrouille  
ONUC en vue trouver Olivet et compagnons stop Vous ferai connaître mon opinion  
concernant disparition Olivet après enquête à effectuer par Senn demain stop  
Impressions générales à ce sujet fort pessimistes stop Avons enregistré  
depuis 12 Décembre dans régions occupées ou abandonnées par Ethiopiens 10 tués  
dont 7 Européens et 3 disparus tous Européens dont Olivet stop Plusieurs  
Consignes proposent intervention leurs Gouvernement pour avions Globemaster ONUC  
pour évacuation femmes et enfants stop Cette proposition ne semble pas trouver  
pleine approbation CC ONUC Bville stop A l'instar Action effectuée en  
septembre ai suggéré permission pour atterrissage avions Sabena qui pourraient



acheminer sur Eville courrier Noel et servir pour évacuation stop Cette action  
aurait influence favorable sur moral population civile fort éprouvée et sans  
nouvelles de l'étranger depuis trois semaines stop QC ONUC approuve cette  
suggestion et compte sur votre appui auprès Secrétariat général New York stop  
Consulat américain a prié son Gouvernement appuyer dans même sens stop  
premiers avions Sabena devraient pouvoir atterrir si possible veille Noel stop  
Comptons fermement sur votre intervention stop pour DPF Berne stop Ai reçu  
hier très bonnes nouvelles famille S. van Ferne Flandria stop pour Osee Zurich stop  
Scenes tous en bonne santé stop Maison sans dégats stop Vous présentons ainsi  
qu'à familles Melcher Meilleurs vœux Joyeux Noel stop Melcher . Unquete .

JP/sl

cc Force Commander

Chief OFI



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Branley

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PRIORITY

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 23 December  
No. : L -.517

*Leopoldville*  
**SECRET**

Elle

Following from Ivan Smiths "~~Lee~~ 571" Quote Tension and fear of civ population is major problem. Exaggerated by not unfounded stories about Ethiopians, widespread looting by Balubas and other Africans and uncertainty as to future all contribute. We are doing utmost to collaborate with Redcross, judiciary and managers of utilities for immediate relief and establishment order. Have given total cooperation to Parquet to investigate all missing persons and incidents. Following measures from outside really required. 1. Military Police, preferably Nigerians to police areas where looting and incidents taking place and for re-establishment atmosphere calm and order. 2. Re-establishment of some communication with outside world, eg Sabena flights to bring mail and take refugees as urged also by Redcross. 3. Any possible measure to prevent further military personnel and equipment coming to Eville from Kipushi. This connection strongly suspect million Katangese francs found in Favres car may have been for payment personnel in Kipushi, since useless outside Katanga. Unquote.

c. Force Commander



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PRIORITY

To : SMOGUE, New York  
 From : LINDBER, Leopoldville  
 Date : 23 December  
 No. : L- 516

With reference to Ivan Smiths Leo 582 transmitted to Carruthers following  
 /is text of Melcher's report to Inter Redcross : Quote Corps Olivet et Madame  
 Vronen de nationalite Belge et Smeding de nationalite Hollandaise trouves ce  
 matin. Corps se trouvaient ensevelis a 20 metres environ de l'ambulance.  
 Ambulance carbonisee a ete touchee par mitraillede et tir Bazooka ou autre.  
 Ambulance se trouvait le 13 decembre en pleine zone de combat. Enquete faite  
 par procureur d'etat en cours. Vous tiendrais au courant du resultat des que  
 possible. Avons ramene corps Madame Vronen a Hopital Reine Elisabeth. Deux  
 autres corps seront deterrés cet apres midi. Priere communiquer DFF Berne  
 contenu ce message et ajouter n'avoir pas eu visite Schollenberger. Senn  
 partira demain pour Jadotville visiter/prisonniers ONU faite par Gendarmerie  
 Katangaise. Unquote

c. Force Commander



*L516 - destroyed ~~entire~~ or it (accident) ~~framer~~*

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IMMEDIATE  
MOST ~~URGENT~~

To : SECGEN, New York  
From : LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date : 23 December  
No : L. - 515

*Proprietor*  
**SECRET**

Following from Ivan Smith "Leo 570" Quote Search for Olivets ambulance by Senn and Redcross accompanied by our Paul Wiss about 1 hour ago discovered burnt out ambulance hit by heavy missile and 2 bodies in nearby ditch covered with earth. 1 has Redcross helmet and redcross emblem. This was at old airfield where heavy fighting ~~between Katangese and Ethiopians~~ for the roundabout took place and where fierce fighting between Katangese and Ethiopians including mortar fire on the day Olivet disappeared. Melcher international Redcross informed and he together with Senn Wiss and Falmagne Procureur d'Etat of Eli, left 5 minutes ago for more positive identification. Urgently instruct Ho Carruthers that if report confirmed they must emphasize that no conclusions can be drawn until full investigation made and stress area fierce fighting and counter fire. Stress also ONUC gave fullest cooperation search and current investigation. Third body not yet located Unquote

cc. Force Commander  
Chief, OPI



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ROUTINE

TO : SEC GEN, New York  
FROM : LINNEN, Léopoldville  
DATE : 23 December  
No : L . - 514

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*Report*  
**SECRET**

Following from our Base Administrator in Kamina : Quote Father Demot, a Belgian national employed by us as primary school technical adgiser, returned to the base on December 19 after spending home leave in Belgium. It may interest you to know that 2 days after his arrival in Belgium, he received a request from the Deuxieme Bureau in Brussels to furnish base military information. The Bureau was apparently interested in knowing the number of troops on base, location of positions, type of equipment used and quantity of ammunition. Father Demot told me that the Deuxieme Bureau is Quote espionage unquote and he ignored the missive. Later, he was visited by an army captain who had a letter of introduction signed by a general who eye believe is the Belgian Chief of Staff informing Father Demot that he could speak in confidence to the emissary. This time it had to do with the state of the buildings and base installation. The Belgian national defence had apparently received information to the effect that the UN was letting certain buildings fall into ruins. The captain mentioned that the UN was taking a long time in paying for the base material purchased. Also that mention had been made in Brussels of deducting the amount owing by UN plus base buildings depreciation from Belgian UN contribution. As a UN employee, Father Demot felt it is his duty to inform me of the above. He was not permitted to convert either Katangese or Congolese francs into Belgian francs while in Belgium unquote

cc. Force Commander  
Chief Administrative Officer



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PRIORITE

TO : SECGEN, New York  
FROM : LINNER, Léopoldville  
DATE : 23 December  
No : L . - 513

*Lin.*

SECRET

Further L.- 499 . Following from Elisabethville ( Elleo 566 ) : Quote  
For record, note Shoe Box and 896, 500 francs handed to Mr Melcher Representative  
International Red Cross who in turn is handing it to Procureur général .  
We have Melcher's receipt. Unquote .

*JP / sl*



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TO: SECGEN, New York  
FROM: Linner, Dumontet, Leopoldville  
DATE: 23 December 1961  
No. L- 512

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f. Dumontet

SECRET

RE: Situation of civilian services in Katanga.

We have requested reports from Ivan Smith on conditions in various civilian services and are retransmitting his replies as received. Basically everything depends on whether European technical personnel remain in Elisabethville and Ivan Smith has been asked to keep us informed of position in this regard, Unations policy not being aimed at expulsion of any one except those manifestly envisaged by Resolutions.

We are ready to send senior technicians from any sector of Civilian Operations to Elisabethville to survey needs as soon as situation there permits sufficiently free access to installations concerned.

As to finance, as soon as conditions permit, we shall send Frasca and Badre to deal with matters raised your third paragraph.

DRAFTED by M. ROSSBOROUGH



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To: SecGen  
From: Linner, Mac Eoin and Ahmed  
Date: 23 December 1961  
No.: I- 511

SECRET

Following the decision to incorporate an ANC contingent in ONUC Force, arrangements are now being made for organizing their transport to Kamina during next few days. Since it has been agreed to treat the ANC contingent on par with other national contingents participating in ONUC force, it is assumed that normal logistical support arrangements would apply to them and that among other common arrangements, Unations would provide them with berets, helmets, uniforms, shoulder badges, and rations according to established scales.

However, it is for consideration whether other ONUC benefits such as daily service allowance of 83 CF, food allowance, rations allowance, extra services allowance, and PX privileges should also be extended to them. These are important factors in ensuring complete integration of ANC contingent within ONUC Force and of placing them under same order and discipline of Force Commander as are applicable to other contingents of the Force. We would appreciate your decision in this matter.

MacEoin strongly recommends that these facilities should be granted to them.

cc. Force Commander.  
Mr. Ahmed.



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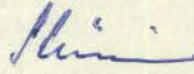
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23 December 1961

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L- 510 SEC GEN FROM LINNER



Reur 9037. We had received this morning similar information from Ivan Smith who had been approached by Sabena representatives Nestor Vaene and Maréchal. They had indicated to Smith they wished to visit airport to inspect facilities, equipment, etc., with view to restoring the service ~~system~~ especially for refugee traffic.

After consultation with Force Commander, we have come to conclusion that re-opening of normal air traffic is premature in present circumstances and we have so informed Smith and Raja in Eville.

We would look at this request again as soon as more is known regarding position taken by Katangese provincial authorities following their President's agreement concluded at Kitona.

In an earlier cable this morning you have been informed that special Christmas mail flights into Eville have received our concurrence.



JP/mh

c.c. Force Commander



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23 December 1961

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L- 509 SEGEN FROM LINNER



Following from Ivan Smith: QUOTE

Following text dated 21 December was delivered to me yesterday afternoon by US Consul who made it clear he was simply acting as post officer. Letter from Kimba was unsigned and I think you will agree it does not call for a reply: "Le Gouvernement du Katanga a reçu la réponse des Nations Unies aux questions posées par Monsieur le Ministre Kimba et par le Général Muke ce jour 21 décembre 1961 à 11 heures.

Le Gouvernement du Katanga constate que les Nations Unies déclarent que les forces de l'Organisation Internationale effectuent simplement des patrouilles non-offensives entre les points qu'elles détenaient le 5 décembre. Dans ce cas, le Gouvernement du Katanga s'arroge le droit de faire circuler ses forces armées et de l'ordre ainsi que ses populations civiles au vu de la situation du 5 décembre. Tout le territoire de la ville d'Elisabethville y compris l'aérodrome de la Luano sera donc ouvert à la libre circulation des autorités katangaises et des forces de l'ordre du Katanga ainsi qu'à ses populations.

Le Gouvernement du Katanga est heureux de constater que les travaux de réfection des installations vitales endommagées se poursuivent.

Le Gouvernement du Katanga s'étonne cependant de n'avoir pas eu de réponse au dernier paragraphe de sa note du 20 décembre 1961 concernant la reprise du travail et la libre circulation des travailleurs. UNQUOTE

c.c. Force Commander  
Chief OPI



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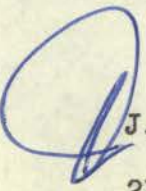
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SECGEN from LINNER. Following from Ivan Smith (Elleo 545).  
Quote/ Red Cross and Consuls request that several Sabena aircraft  
be permitted fly to E'ville with Christmas mail as calming influence  
for population. In principle it is a very good idea although there  
is a ratherpractical problem of setting up convoys into town but this  
is manageable if you feel we should proceed to it. Unquote.

After consultation with Force Commander have today sent  
following to Elisabethville. Quote. We endorse your Elleo 545 it  
being understood you must reserve all rights of inspection of whatever  
mail and other Christmas packages may come in on these aircraft.  
Unquote.

cc Force Commander

 J. Poujoulat:ln

23 December 1961



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OK  
Officer

TO : SECGEN, New York  
FROM: LINNER, Leopoldville  
Date: 23 December 1961  
No. : L- 507

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SECRET

1. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, by a Note dated 16 December received yesterday, again raises the question of disarming the Katangese Gendarmerie and handing over to the Central Government all arms and ammunition, as well as other equipment used by Katanga for military purposes, recovered by ONUC forces. Last occasion on which this matter was raised was after the conclusion of the September incidents.

2. Grateful for your views as to nature of reply to be sent to Foreign Ministry.

NK/mb  
c.c. Mr. Kanakaratne