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1. PLEASE FIND ATTACHED THE DAILY SITREP MENTIONED ABOVE.
2. REGARDS.

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FROM: UNAMIR, KIGALI.

SITREP COVERING PERIOD 070600Z MAR TO 080600Z MAR 94.

1. GEN SITUATION. NO MAJOR INCIDENT TOOK PLACE IN KIGALI CITY AND THE SITUATION IS CALM.

2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES. ON 070835 MAR 94 THE PRESIDENT OF RWANDA ACCOMPANIED BY THE UGANDAN AMBASSADOR LEFT RWANDA FOR UGANDA BY HIS OWN AIRCRAFT. CHIEF PROTOCOL OFFICER AND TEN OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ALSO LEFT FOR UGANDA BY AIR RWANDA BEFORE THE DEPARTURE OF THE PRESIDENT. BBC AND RADIO FRANCE INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTED THAT THE PRESIDENT OF RWANDA MET THE PRESIDENT OF UGANDA ON 07 MAR 94 AT KABALE AND RETURNED THE SAME DAY TO KIGALI. THE PRESIDENT OF RWANDA EXPLAINED THE POLITICAL SITUATION TO THE UGANDAN PRESIDENT. RADIO RWANDA BROADCAST THAT HE ALSO REQUESTED FOR THE REOPENING OF BORDER BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. HE ALSO DISCUSSED THE MODALITIES OF A WELL ORGANIZED REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES FROM UGANDA TO RWANDA.

3. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

A. RGF. ON 07 MAR 94 FROM 1045 HOURS TO 1145 HOURS RGF CARRIED OUT PARA DROP PRACTICE AT GR 177833 WITH THE SUPPORT OF BELGIAN C-130 AIRCRAFT.

B. RPF. COMMANDING OFFICER OF 59 RPF BATTALION ADDRESSED ABOUT 200 OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS AT BUTARO FOOTBALL GROUND ON 071100 MAR 94. THIS MEETING APPEARS TO BE NORMAL ROUTINE.

C. OTHERS: NTR.

4. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES:

A. FORCE HQ. ON 070900 MAR 94 FC HAD A WEEKLY CONFERENCE WITH ALL THE COMMANDERS. POINTS RELATING TO PREPARATION OF SITREP, WELFARE, HUMANITARIAN OPERATIONS, MEDICAL COVER TO THE LOCALS, COMMUNICATIONS AND LOGISTICS WERE DISCUSSED IN THE MEETING. ALSO A CONTINGENT SENIOR OFFRS MEETING WAS HELD DURING WHICH THE FC STRESSED THE NEED FOR STRICT DISCIPLINE AND CORRECT PROCEDURE FOR CORRESPONDENCES TO HOME COUNTRIES.

B. UNOMUR. UNOMUR OPERATIONAL AREA IS CALM. IN SECTOR KABALE TEAMS F AND H CARRIED OUT DAY AND NIGHT PATROLLING AT LUBIRIZI/KASHEKYE. IN KISHORO SECTOR TEAM A CONDUCTED PATROLLING AT BUNAGAMA, NKURUNGVURU AND CHAHAFY DURING DAY AND TEAM B CONDUCTED NIGHT PATROL AT BUNAGAMA AND LAKE CHAHAFY. NOTHING SIGNIFICANT REPORTED. THE FOLLOWING CIVILIAN BORDER CROSSINGS WERE REPORTED AT GATUNA:

	FROM UGANDA INTO RWANDA	FROM RWANDA INTO UGANDA
07 MAR	01 TRUCK CROSSED THE BORDER CARRYING 07 PERSONS (05 MEN AND 02 WOMEN). IT WAS CARRYING 10 BAGS OF MAIZE AND BEANS POSSIBLY FOR RPF AND HEADING TOWARDS RUBAYA. THE DRIVER INFORMED THAT THEY WERE GOING TO SELL THE GOODS AT THE MARKET.	03 PICK UP CROSSED THE BORDER CARRYING 15 PASSENGERS (10 MEN AND 05 WOMAN). ALL THESE VEHICLES WERE EMPTY. THE PASSENGERS SAID THAT THEY ARE GOING TO VISIT THEIR RELATIVES.

C. DMZ

(1) OPERATIONAL SITUATION IN DMZ REPORTED TO BE CALM. PERSONNEL FROM SECTOR HQ ATTENDED A SECURITY MEETING AT KINIHIRA. SECURITY OF THE AREA AND DEPLOYMENT OF UNAMIR TROOPS WERE DISCUSSED.

(2) MANY DISPLACED PERSONS ARE RETURNING TO THE CONCENTRATION AREAS AT KAGOGO (A7448). MOVE OF THE DISPLACED IS RESTRICTED TO THE CAMPS ORGANIZED BY THE RPF BECAUSE OF THE FEAR OF INFILTRATION OF RGF PERSONNEL.

(3) BYUBAT PATROL BASE AT TUMBA AND TEAM C OF MILOB REPORTED THAT TWO SUSPECTED THIEVES WERE BEATEN TO DEATH ON 051530 MAR 94 AT KARAMA (A7311). INVESTIGATION ONGOING.

(4) FURTHER INVESTIGATION INTO THE GRENADE INCIDENT OF 05 MAR 94 AT KIMIRYI (9817) NEAR KUNIHIRA REVEALED THAT LOCALS ARE HIGHLY AGGRIEVED ABOUT THE INCIDENT. THEY URGED UNAMIR TO TAKE POSITIVE ACTION ON THE INCIDENT. APPRECIATION AND INVESTIGATION ONGOING.

(5) TEAM A CONDUCTED PATROLS IN AOR AND WENT ON NIGHT PATROL TO NKUMBA (A6938) AND KIDHO. TEAMS B AND D CARRIED OUT ROUTINE PATROL IN OWN AOR. NOTHING SIGNIFICANT REPORTED. TEAM C IS INVESTIGATING THE GRENADE INCIDENT AS MENTIONED ABOVE.

(6) BYUBAT B COY CONDUCTED PATROLS TO BWISIGI, KARWOGA (B1137), MIMULI, GAKOMA AND CYABWANA (B2238). C COY CONDUCTED PATROL IN OWN AOR. BYUBAT EOD TEAM DEMOLISHED ONE 81mm MORTAR HE AND THREE GRENADES.

(7) FORCE ENGR COY PROVIDED SECURITY AT NGONDORÉ AND IS GETTING THEIR VEHICLES AND STORES IN PLACE.

D. MILOB: CMO HELD HIS WEEKLY COORDINATION MEETING AT

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MILOB GP HQ ON 07 MAR 95 WITH ALL MILOB SECTOR COMD, SECTOR MILOB COORDINATORS AND PRINCIPAL STAFF OFFICERS OF MILOB GP HQ. DURING THE MEETING CMO APPRISED ALL ABOUT THE LATEST POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT IN RWANDA. HE ALSO EMPHASIZED ON THE NEED FOR MILOBS TO BE MORE CAREFUL AND TAKE ADEQUATE PRECAUTION WHILE DRIVING UNAMIR VEHICLES.

(1) RGF SECTOR. TEAMS CONDUCTED ROUTINE PTL ALL ALONG THE AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY. GENDARMERIE HAS INCREASED DAY AND NIGHT PATROLLING IN THIS AREA. 80 PERSONS CROSSED THE BORDER TO ZAIRE AND 85 PERSONS ENTERED RWANDA FROM ZAIRE.

(2) RPF SECTOR. TEAMS CONDUCTED PATROLLING IN THE AOR. TEAM 501 DISCOVERED A 81mm BOMB COVERED WITH FOLIAGE AT GR 659385 IN DMZ AREA ON 071030 MAR 94. THE DISCOVERY WAS REPORTED TO BYUBAT UNIT LOCATED AT MUKUMBA.

(3) SOUTHERN SECTOR. TEAM 701 AND 705 PATROLLED IN THEIR AOR. GENDARMERIE AND RGF UNITS CONTINUE TO PATROL AT BUTARE AND CYANGUGU.

H. KIGALI SECTOR. SECTOR KIGALI CONDUCTED VEHICLE AND FOOT PATROL IN KIGALI CITY IN ORDER TO ENSURE KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA (KWSA). CONDUCTED FOUR CHECK POINT DUTIES IN VARIOUS PLACES IN THE TOWN. TWO APCs WERE EMPLOYED FOR THE SECURITY OF THE CND COMPLEX. PROVIDED 8 UNMO ESCORTS, ONE FOR UNDP, ONE FOR UNHCR, TWO FOR RPF, TWO FOR RGF AND TWO FOR GENDARMERIE. PROVIDED FIVE ARMED ESCORTS, ONE FOR PRIME MINISTER, ONE FOR DESIGNATED PRIME MINISTER, ONE FOR SRSG AND TWO FOR RPF PERSONNEL. SECURED THE LOCATION OF THE RPF BATTALION IN KIGALI CITY, PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, FORCE HQ, SECTOR HQ AND KIGALI AIRPORT. DURING THE NIGHT ASSURED THE PROTECTION OF THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT, FIVE OPPOSITION MINISTERS AND SRSG.

5. UNCIVPOL. ON 07 MAR 94 THERE WAS A WEEKLY MEETING BETWEEN CIVPOL, GENDARMERIE AND MILOBS HELD AT THE GENDARMERIE HQ. THE POINTS RELATED TO THE SECURITY OF KIGALI CITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE MIXED PATROL OF CIVPOL AND GENDARMERIE WERE DISCUSSED IN THE MEETING. ACCORDING TO THE GENDARMERIE COL RWARAKABIJE, THE SECURITY IS GETTING BETTER IN KIGALI AFTER THE RECENT VIOLENT EVENTS. POPULATION WHO LEFT THEIR HOUSES ARE RETURNING TO THEIR RESIDENCE. CIVPOL IS CONTINUING THE NIGHT PATROL TOGETHER WITH GENDARMERIE. THERE WERE VARIOUS ROAD BLOCKS ESTABLISHED BY LOCALS. SOMETIMES THE PEOPLE AT THE ROAD BLOCKS HAVE BEEN AGGRESSIVE BUT GENDARMERIE COULD CALM THEM DOWN. IN THE NIGHT 04/05 MAR 94 THE GENDARMERIE OF NYAMIRAMBO ARRESTED DUPITMANA IGNACE, LIVING IN KIMISSAGARA FOR HAVING A GRENADE WITH HIM. THE LOCAL GENDARMERIE IS INVESTIGATING THE CASE. THE NIGHT PATROL IN SECTOR GIKONDO HAD AN ACCIDENT ON 072300 MAR 94. THE UN VEHICLE 417 (NISSAN PICK UP) WAS DAMAGED IN THE FRONT BY HAVING A COLLISION WITH A ROAD BLOCK. NOBODY WAS INJURED.

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6. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES NTR.
7. CIVIL AFFAIRS. NTR.
8. LOGISTICS. VEHICLES AND RADIOS STILL SIGNIFICANTLY DEFICIENT TO THE REQUIREMENT. THE ENGR AND LOG COY EQUIPMENTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE BY BANGLADESH CONTINGENT BUT REQUIRE AN UPDATE. WE ARE VERY, VERY DISSATISFIED WITH ALL MATTERS RELATING TO HELICOPTERS. THIS OPERATIONAL DEFICIENCY IN BOTH UNOMUR AND UNAMIR IS MOST DISCONCERTING.
9. MISC. NTR.