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1. THE DAY OBSERVED WITH HEAVY EXCHANGE OF ARTY/HOR AND SA BETWEEN RPF AND RGF AT VARIOUS PLACHS IN KIGALI CITY. THE MAJOR BATTLE AREAS WERE GIKONDO, KICHIKIRO AND KANOCBE. THE SITUATION IS VERY TENSE. IT SEEMS RPF IS PLANNING TO LAUNCH OFFENSIVE OPERATION AGAINST RGF HELD AREAS IN KIGALI. RPF SHELLED AT KIGALI HOSPITAL, KIGALI TOWN AND CAMP KANOCBE. ALSO DUMP AT CAMP KANOCBE WAS SHELLED AND GOT PARTIALLY DAMAGED. RGF PUTTING UP RESISTANCE IN THE VARIOUS BATTLE AREAS AND REPORTED TO BE SUSTAINED HEAVY CASUALTIES. HEAVY FIGHTING REPORTED FROM MASAKA AND BUGESERA AREAS. NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE DISPOSITIONS OF BOTH THE WARRING GROUPS EXCEPT RPF TOOK UP POSITIONS IN THE HIGH FEATURES AROUND NYAHIRANBO AREA IN KIGALI CITY. MILITIA STILL HOLDING SOME AREAS IN KIGALI CITY UNDER THEIR CONTROL. ONE SHELL LANDED AT AMAHORO STADIUM AT 1005 HRS CAUSING DAMAGE TO ONE VEH. AT 1900 HRS ONE SHELL LANDED AT AMAHORO STADIUM KILLING ONE GHANAIN SOLDIER ON THE SPOT. INFORMATION REVEALED THAT THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF TANZANIAN ARMY HAS WARNED RPF AND RGF NOT TO DESTROY THE BRIDGE ON THE RWANDA/TANZANIAN BORDER OR VIOLATE THE INTEGRITY OF THE COUNTRY. HE ALSO STATED THAT ANY OF THE VIOLATIONS WILL BE TREATED AS "DECLARATION OF WAR". THE WARNING HAS GIVEN JUST AFTER THE MEETING BETWEEN THE COS OF TANZANIAN ARMY, HIGH COMMAND OF RPF AND WITH SOME BURUNDIES OFFICIAL.

2. FC HELD A CONF WITH HIS COMMANDERS AND PEOs AT FORCE HQ. IMPROVEMENT OF DEFENCE CONTINUED AT VARIOUS MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

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INCLUDING THE FORCE HQ.

3. UNMO PATROLS RESTRICTED THEIR VISIT TO DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP DUE TO HEAVY SHELLING THROUGH OUT THE DAY. FIVE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED PERSONS WERE TREATED BY ICRC SURGICAL TEAM AT KING FAISAL HOSPITAL. HAC MEMBERS VISITED KING FAISAL HOSPITAL TO DISTRIBUTE FOOD, ASCERTAIN THE NO OF WOUNDED PERSONS AND TO SPEAK WITH THE COMMITTEE CHIEF. THE COMMITTEE CHIEF STATED THAT SITUATION IS NOW BETTER THAN PAST. ICRC DELIVERED 35 TONS OF MAIZE TO THE DISPLACED PERSONS AT RUNDA AND 8 TONS OF MAIZE AND SIX TONS OF PORRIDGE TO THE DISPLACED PERSONS AT KING FAISAL HOSPITAL, HA TEAM ALSO DELIVERED 120 BOXES OF (HEB) TO THE KING FAISAL HOSPITAL. 108 BOXES TO AMAHORO STADIUM AND 20 BOXES TO HOTEL MERIDIEN HOTEL.

4. ATTACHED HERE WITH PLEASE FIND THE UNAMIR FORCE HQ LOG SHEETS HIGH LIGHTING THE MAJOR EVENTS DURING THE PERIOD COVERING.

5. REGARDS.

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SL NR	DTG	MESSAGE
1	090630	Requested BYUBAT to provide one armed escort at 0930 hrs for the journalists. The escort will report to Force HQ. BYUBAT is also requested to provide 1 X Pickup for carrying luggage. Instructed BYUBAT to provide security to the three MILOBs in the tower by putting sand bags to their accommodation place.
2	090740	RPF request that all UNAMIR persons wishing to visit CND should stop at the gate and request for the troops at the gate to get the one they are looking for because the building is no longer safe.
3	090720	Request clearance for Red Cross to supply ration to King Faisal Hospital.
4	090750	Request clearance for a team of journalist to visit CND and Runda Camp this afternoon.
5	090925	Clearance for aircraft to land at KIA has not been given yet by RPF. RPF authorities in CND request CLI comes back to UNAMIR HQ and results would be passed on by RPF liaison to UNAMIR HQ.
6	090935	At 0930 hrs a shell landed about 700m WE of the arrival hall at KIA in the village.
7	090940	Shell landed on the road from KIA to UNAMIR HQ.
8	090942	Fighting going on around main roundabout in the town center.
9	090955	Aircraft has been turned back to Nairobi.
10	091000	One arty round lands close to the Kigali market.
11	091005	One shell landed in the stadium. Damaged 1 x veh.
12	091020	Shelling and firing all over the town.
13	091030	About 13 shells landed in area of camp KANOMBE.
14	091050	One round has landed on the tarmac of airport.
15	091130	One round has landed 500m East of Eastern end of runway.

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16	091520	Request clearance for two flights for tomorrow as fol: a. 1st flt - 0830 hrs. b. 2nd flt - 1330 hrs. Each aircraft will spend minimum of 30 min.
17	091840	Shell landed at Amahoro Stadium wounding one refugee.
18	091855	Shell landed at Amahoro Stadium wounding the civilian generator attendant.
19	091900	Shell landed at Amahoro Stadium killing one UNAMIR soldier from Ghana B-5077 Pte Baidou Charles.
20	091935	RGF has given clearance for the two UNAMIR flight tomorrow.
21	091950	FC would like to have a detail report on the death of Pte Baidou tomorrow morning from CO BYUBAT. He would also discuss the problem of RPF soldiers going to the stadium.
22	092005	BYUBAT tasked to provide 2 x pickups an escort and one Mini bus at 0730 hrs.