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FROM: UNAMIR, KIGALI.

WEEKLY SITREP COVERING PERIOD 29 MAY 94 TO 05 JUN 94.

1. GEN. SITUATION. GENERAL SITUATION REMAINED VERY TENSE AND FLUID THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD. THE RPF MAINTAINED A TIGHT GRIP ON THE CITY AND CONTINUED TO ISOLATE RGF POSITIONS IN KIGALI. THERE WERE INTENSIVE EXCHANGES OF HEAVY ARTY/MORTAR, HMG AND 82mm FIRE BETWEEN THE BELIGERENTS IN THE NORTH, EAST AND SOUTHWEST OF THE CITY. OUTSIDE KIGALI, THE RGF REMAINS IN CONTROL OF RUHENGERI IN THE NORTH. THE RPF ADVANCE WESTWARD IN THE SOUTH STEADILY PROGRESSED. KAGAYE AND NYANZA FELL TO THE RPF DURING THE WEEK. THE TOWN OF GITARAMA LOOKS LIKE THEIR NEXT OBJECTIVE IN THAT DIRECTION. THE RPF ALSO CUT THE ROAD KIGALI - GITARAMA AROUND RUNDA. THE WESTERN PART OF THE COUNTRY REMAINS IN THE HANDS OF THE GOVT FORCES. THERE WAS A MASS EXODUS OF SOLDIERS, MILITIA AND CIVILIANS TOWARDS THE SOUTH. THE RGF MOVED A LOT OF WAR MATERIALS OUT OF KIGALI TO GITARAMA AND THE INDICATIONS ARE THAT ALL EFFORTS ARE BEING PUT INTO THE DEFENCE OF GITARAMA. THERE WERE REPORTS OF SOME INTERIM GOVT OFFICIALS LEAVING GITARAMA FOR KIBUYE. MILITIA PRESENCE IN THE CITY REDUCED CONSIDERABLY DUE TO THE EXODUS OF THE MILITIA TO ESCAPE THE FIGHTING IN KIGALI. THE GENDARMERIE TOOK OVER THE MANNING OF MOST OF THE ROAD BLOCKS IN RGF CONTROLLED AREAS WITHIN THE CITY. ON 31 MAY, ONE UNMO, UNID 539 CAPT MBAYE DIAGNE OF SENEGAL WAS INSTANTLY KILLED WHEN A MORTAR SHELL FROM AN RPF GUN LOCATION LANDED A FEW FEET AWAY FROM HIS VEHICLE WHILE HE HAD STOPPED AT AN RGF ROAD BLOCK AWAITING CLEARANCE. THE BODY WAS FLOWN TO NAIROBI ON THE AFTERNOON FLIGHT. THE EXERCISE TO TRANSFER DISPLACED PEOPLE TO SECURE AREAS WAS SUSPENDED TWICE DURING THE WEEK DUE TO BOTH PARTIES NOT KEEPING TO THEIR WORD OF NOT FIRING ON THE CONVOYS. THE SECOND TRIPARTITE CEASE FIRE MEETING BETWEEN RPF AND RGF WAS SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCTED ON 02 JUN 1994 UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE DPC. NO DECISIONS WERE TAKEN. BOTH SIDES HOWEVER DECIDED TO CONTINUE THE DIALOGUE IN THE NEAR FUTURE. A CANADIAN DELEGATION LED BY THE DEPUTY MIN OF DEFENCE ARRIVED KIGALI ON 01 JUN 94 FOR A TWO DAY OFFICIAL VISIT. A SCHEDULED VISIT BY THE ITALIAN MIN OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WAS CALLED OFF WHEN THE UN FLIGHT BRINGING HIM WAS FIRED UPON ON THE TARMAC, ON ARRIVAL AT KIA. THE MASSACRE OF CIVILIANS WERE REPORTED TO BE CONTINUING IN THE SOUTH.

2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES. THE BRSG, NOW IN NAIROBI, CONTINUED HIS EFFORTS TO CONTACT VARIOUS AFRICAN GOVERNMENTS IN THE REGION FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN THE SEARCH FOR A SOLUTION TO THE RWANDESE PROBLEM. APPEALS WERE MADE TO ALL RWANDESE TO STAND UP AND DEFEND THE CAPITAL AND CONTRIBUTE FINANCIALLY TOWARDS THE WAR EFFORT. A REGIONAL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY 6 JUNE, TO BE HOSTED BY PRESIDENT DANIEL ARAP MOI OF KENYA WAS REPORTED CANCELLED AT THE LAST MINUTE. REPORTS THAT SOME MEMBERS OF THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT HAVE MOVED OUT OF GITARAMA TO KIBUYE/GIBENYI AND OTHERS IN BUTARE WERE DENIED CONTRARY TO CALLS BY THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE FOR HIS COLLEAGUES TO RETURN TO DEFEND THE CAPITAL.

3. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES. BOTH SIDES CONTINUE TO BE BELLIGERENT.

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A. RPF. THE RPF CONTINUED ITS DRIVE TO CAPTURE THE CITY OF KIGALI BY TIGHTENING ITS GRIP ON THE CITY. SOME MORE GROUND WAS CAPTURED ON THE FRINGES OF THE CITY TO THE EAST AND SOUTH. THE MAJOR AREAS OF FIGHTING WERE KYCHIKIRU, KIMIHURURA, CITY CENTER, NYAMIRAMBO, GIKONDO AND CHADAFFI CROSSING. AREAS UNDER THEIR CONTROL ARE REMERA, KYCHIKURU, THEY ALSO SUCCEEDED IN CUTTING THE ROAD FROM KIGALI TO GITARAMA AT RUNDA AND THE ROAD FROM GITARAMA TO BUTARE AT NYANZA AND KABGAYE. THE ADVANCE WESTWARD IN THE SOUTH CONTINUED WITH THE CAPTURE OF NYANZA AND KABGAYE, SOUTH OF KIGALI. INDICATIONS ARE THAT, GITARAMA IS THE NEXT LIKELY OBJECTIVE. IN THE NORTH THERE WERE NO MAJOR CHANGES IN THE DISPOSITION OF TROOPS. TROOP REINFORCEMENTS COMING FROM THE NORTH TO THE SOUTH WERE OBSERVED DURING THE WEEK.

B. RGF. THE COMMAND STRUCTURE IS STILL OPERATING FROM KIGALI AND HAVE MAINTAINED THEIR HOLD ON SOME PARTS OF THE CITY WITH THE REMNANTS OF THE FORCES LEFT. THEY CONTINUED TO RETALIATE TO RPF FROM THEIR GUN POSITIONS LOCATED IN KIMIHURURA, MOUNT KIGALI, AND ALONG THE ROADS IN THE CITY CENTER. NO CHANGES IN DISPOSITIONS IN THE NORTH OF THE COUNTRY. EFFORTS ARE BEING CONCENTRATED AROUND GITARAMA IN THE SOUTH. MASS EXODUS OF SOLDIERS AND MILITIAMEN TO THE SOUTH CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE WEEK. GENDARMERIE CONTINUED TO CONTROL ROAD BLOCKS IN RGF CONTROLLED AREAS. DESERTIONS AND LOW MORALE SEEMS TO BE AFFECTING THEIR ABILITY TO RESIST THE RPF ADVANCE.

C. MILITIA. THERE WAS A MASS EXODUS OF MILITIA TO THE SOUTH DURING THE WEEK. THEIR ACTIVITIES HOWEVER CONTINUE OUTSIDE THE CITY. THE EXECUTIVES MOVED OUT OF THE CITY FOR A FEW DAYS BUT RETURNED BY THE WEEKEND.

#### 4. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES:

A. FORCE HQ. IN ADDITION TO NORMAL ACTIVITIES A SECOND TRIPARTITE MEETING CHAIRED BY THE DFC, WAS ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RPF AND RGF ON 02 JUNE 1994. NO CONCRETE DECISIONS WERE ARRIVED AT. BOTH SIDES HOWEVER PROMISED TO RETURN TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE IN THE NEAR FUTURE. A CANADIAN DELEGATION LED BY THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE VISITED KIGALI FROM 01 JUN 94 TO 02 JUN 94. WHILE IN KIGALI THE TEAM VISITED SOME DISPLACED PERSONS CAMPS AT KIA, AMAHORO STADIUM AND KING FAISAL HOSPITAL. THE TEAM ALSO HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH THE RGF CO5. FC FLEW TO NAIROBI FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH A US CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION ON 31 MAY 94. UNID 539, CAPT MBAYE DIANGE, UNMO FROM SENEGAL WAS KILLED BY MORTAR SHELL FROM RPF LOCATION WHILE HE WAS HALTED AT AN RGF ROAD BLOCK IN THE CITY ON 31 MAY 94. HIS BODY WAS FLOWN TO NAIROBI THE SAME DAY. THE DFC LEFT ON 04 JUN 94 TO NAIROBI FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH A GHANAIAN GOVT DELEGATION. EFFORTS TO TRANSFER DISPLACED PEOPLE TO SECURE AREAS HAD TO BE SUSPENDED DUE TO THE CONVOY BEING FIRED ON BY BOTH SIDES ON DIFFERENT OCCASIONS.

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B. UNOKUR. AREA OF OPERATION HAS BEEN CALM. ROUTINE PATROLS WERE CONDUCTED DURING THE PERIOD. A VEHICLE CROSSED THE BORDER ON 30 MAY AT KASHEKYE OP WITHOUT STOPPING. VEHICLE WAS CARRYING 7 ARMED PEOPLE DRESSED IN MILITARY FATIGUES. ONE WAS CARRYING A ROCKET LAUNCHER. THE DRIVER OF THE VEHICLE WAS IDENTIFIED BY AN UNMO AS A MAN WHO CROSSES THE BORDER FREQUENTLY AT DIFFERENT POINTS. THE SOLDIERS SEEMED TO BE RPF SOLDIERS AND THE VEHICLE POSSIBLY BELONGED TO THE NRA OR THE RPF. AN AERIAL RECCE OVER MUVUGERO (SQ 3168) AND NGOMA (SQ2372) SHOWED THAT THE UGANDANS ARE IMPROVING THE ROAD THAT LINKS RWENTOBO (2076) VILLAGE AND NGOMA ( WHERE THE NRA HAS A MIXED ADA/FD ARTY BATTALION). THE SAME ROAD LEADS TO THE BORDER AREA NORTH OF LUBIRIZI CP/OP. CROSS BORDER MOVEMENTS CONTINUE WITH MORE PEOPLE COMING INTO RWANDA THAN INTO UGANDA. THE FIGS ARE FOLLOWS:

(1) UGANDA-RWANDA.

TOTAL NO. OF VEHICLES : 167.

TOTAL NO OF PASSENGERS: 164.

(2) RWANDA-UGANDA.

TOTAL NO OF VEHICLES : 185.

TOTAL NO OF PASSENGERS: 675.

(3) NUMBER OF REFUGEES THAT CROSSED INTO RWANDA.

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NGOs CONTINUE TO MOVE ACROSS THE BORDER INTO NORTHERN RWANDA FROM UGANDA BRINGING WITH THEM HUMANITARIAN AID INTO REFUGEE CAMPS IN RPF CONTROLLED AREAS. A TOTAL OF 78 VEHICLE CROSSED THE BORDER DURING THE PERIOD. ONE HELICOPTER HAD TO FORCE LAND BESIDE LAKE BUNYONI DUE TO TECHNICAL FAULT. TWO OUT OF THREE HELICOPTERS ARE OPERATIONAL AT THE MOMENT. DURING THE WEEK KATUNA CHECK POINT/OP REPORTED AN ALMOST DAILY MOVEMENT OF VEHICLES TO UGANDA, CARRYING ITEMS SUCH AS USED REFRIGERATORS, STEREO SYSTEMS, TVs AND VIDEOS. ITEMS COULD BE LOOTED PROPERTY BEING SENT TO UGANDA.

C. RYUBAT. THE KIA AREA WAS GENERALLY CALM IN SPITE OF OCCASIONAL NIGHT MORTAR SHELLING FROM RGF POSITIONS. PROVIDED SECURITY AT AMAHORO, KIA AND FORCE HQ. ALSO PROVIDED PROTECTION TO DISPLACED PEOPLE AT KIA AND AMAHORO STADIUM. PROVIDED ARMED SECURITY FOR THE TRANSFER OF DISPLACED PEOPLE TO SECURE AREAS. CONDUCTED NIGHT PATROLS IN KIA GENERAL AREA AND ALONG RUNWAY. HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE WAS ALSO OFFERED TO THE DISPLACED PERSONS DURING THE PERIOD.

D. TUN PLATOON (+). CONTINUED TO PROVIDE ARMED ESCORTS FOR VISITORS AND FOR THE TRANSFER OF DISPLACED PEOPLE. PROVIDED SECURITY FOR THE DISPLACED PERSONS AT KING FAISAL HOSPITAL, HOTEL MERIDIEN AND HOTEL MILLES COLLINS.

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**E. MILOB:** PLANNING AND REORGANIZATION FOR PHASE I DEPLOYMENT CONTINUES. PROVIDED TEAMS FOR THE TRANSFER OF DISPLACED PEOPLE EXERCISE AND THE MONITORING OF REFUGEE CAMPS. ALSO PROVIDED LIAISON TEAMS FOR FORCE HQ TO THE WARRING FACTIONS DURING THE PERIOD. THE RPF SECTOR MILOBS CONTINUE TO OPERATE FROM MULINDI HAVING BEEN DENIED MOVEMENT TO BYUMBA BY THE RPF. THE RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED ON THEIR MOVEMENTS EARLIER HAVE BEEN LIFTED. THEY WILL HOWEVER HAVE TO MOVE WITH RPF LOs AT ALL TIMES. A TOTAL OF 123 UNMOs ARE IN RWANDA AT THE MOMENT, WITH 105 STILL IN NAIROBI.

5. **UNCIYPOL.** ALL 15 ARE STILL IN NAIROBI.

6. **HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES.** THE EXERCISE ON THE TRANSFER OF DISPLACED PEOPLE HAD TO BE SUSPENDED DUE TO SECURITY REASONS. NGO'S OPERATING IN THE AREA DISTRIBUTED FOOD, WATER AND BLANKETS TO DISPLACED PEOPLE ALL OVER THE COUNTRY OVER THE PERIOD. THE ICRC HAD TO MOVE ALL THE WOUNDED OUT OF KABGAYE TO NYANZA DUE TO INSECURITY AFTER THE RPF CAPTURE OF KABGAYE. THE MEDEVAC OF 31 ORPHANS TO PARIS-FRANCE WAS CARRIED OUT ON 04 JUN 94. NGO'S OPERATING FROM UGANDA WERE ABLE TO DISTRIBUTE SOME RELIEF AID IN RPF CONTROLLED AREAS IN THE NORTH. IN THE SOUTH, THE NUMBER OF DISPLACED PEOPLE IS INCREASING DAILY DUE TO THE ONGOING WAR. THE MOVEMENT OF RELIEF ITEMS FROM BURUNDI TO THE SOUTH HAS NOT BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL. PLANS TO REOCCUPY THE UNICEF BUILDING WERE NOT POSSIBLE AS A RESULT OF SUSPECTED SABOTAGE BY UNKNOWN PERSONS. INVESTIGATIONS ARE CONTINUING. THERE IS AN URGENT REQUIREMENT FOR MORE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE IN ALL SECTORS OF THE COUNTRY. EXACT NUMBERS OF DISPLACED PEOPLE CANNOT BE DETERMINED AT THE MOMENT DUE TO THE INSECURITY PREVAILING IN THE COUNTRY.

7. **CIVIL AFFAIRS.** NTR.

8. **LOGISTICS.** THE FORCE STOCK WAS DEPLETED DUE TO CANCELLATION OF RESUPPLY FLIGHTS. ARRANGEMENTS TO USE ENTEBBE AS THE ALTERNATE AIRHEAD ARE FAR ADVANCED AND WILL COMMENCE SOON.

9. **MISC.** THE FORCE LEVEL AT THE END OF THE WEEK IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. **TROOPS.** INF. 360, STAFF- 28. TOTAL 388.

B. **MILOBS.** RWANDA- 123. UGANDA (UNOMUR) - 78. KENYA- 105.

NOTES: 1. 3 X GHANAIAI TROOPS ON ADMISSION IN NAIROBI, 1 ON DUTY IN NAIROBI.

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2. 2 X SENEGALESE UNMOs ON ADMISSION IN NAIROBI.

3. 1 X SENEGALESE UNMO DIED DURING THE WEEK.  
CORPSE WAS ESCORTED TO SENEGAL VIA NAIROBI BY ONE  
SENEGALESE UNMO.