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SUMMARY

2. AMCIT PILOT ALAN CAMPBELL, WHO SUPPLIED THE

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FRENCH MILITARY WITH LOGISTICAL INFORMATION FOR THE EVACUATION OF THE SISTERS OF ST. MARY FROM KIBUYE, BRIEFED US ON JUNE 30 ON HIS CURRENT EFFORTS TO HELP THE NUNS IN KIRUHURA. THE FRENCH MILITARY ASKED HIM TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE RPF. CAMPBELL REPORTED THAT THE RPF IS IN CONTACT WITH UNAMIR FOR THE EVACUATION OF THE NUNS IN KIRUHURA. END SUMMARY.

THE KIRUHURA NUNS

3. ALAN CAMPBELL, AN AMCIT PILOT OF AIR CARE INTERNATIONAL, ASSISTED WITH THE FRENCH EVACUATION OF THE SISTERS OF ST. MARY FROM KIBUYE, RWANDA (MORE ON THAT LATER). HE BRIEFED US ON JUNE 30 ON HIS CURRENT EFFORTS TO HELP RESCUE THE REMAINING 32 NUNS IN KIRUHURA. CAMPBELL HAS BEEN WORKING WITH SISTER JUDITH CARROLL IN GOMA, ZAIRE, WHO WAS IN RADIO CONTACT WITH THE KIRUHURA CONVENT ON JUNE 28. AT

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THAT TIME, THE NUNS WERE SAFE BUT FRIGHTENED, WITH THE RPF/RGF BATTLE LINE QUITE CLOSE TO THEIR MISSIONS IN KIRUHURA AND RUYENZI (FIVE KILOMETERS FROM KIRUHURA; KIRUHURA IS ABOUT TWENTY KILOMETERS FROM THE BURUNDI BORDER).

4. CAMPBELL SAID THE FRENCH MILITARY IN GOMA HAD ASKED HIM TO CONTACT THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT (RPF) TO NEGOTIATE A HELICOPTER AIRLIFT FOR THE SISTERS IN KIRUHURA. THE FRENCH WERE NOT PLANNING TO REACH THAT AREA OF RWANDA FOR AT LEAST TWO WEEKS WHEN CAMPBELL LEFT GOMA ON JUNE 26. CAMPBELL TRAVELED TO NAIROBI AND PHONED AN RPF REPRESENTATIVE IN BRUSSELS. HE THEN MET WITH RPF REPS IN KAMPALA ON JUNE 30. THE RPF TOLD HIM THEY WOULD BE "TAKING" THE TERRITORY AROUND KIRUHURA WITHIN 48 HOURS. CAMPBELL SAID THE RPF WILL ALLOW A U.N. HELICOPTER TO COME FOR THE SISTERS, BUT NOT THE FRENCH MILITARY. THE RPF IS DISCUSSING WITH GENERAL DALLAIRE THE EVACUATION OF THE SISTERS OF ST. MARY AT KIRUHURA, ACCORDING TO CAMPBELL.

5. THE KIBUYE NUNS PROVIDED CAMPBELL WITH A LIST OF

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THEIR COLLEAGUES IN KIRUHURA AND RUYENZI. THE LIST HAS 23 NUNS IN KIRUHURA, 5 IN RUYENZI, AND FOUR (UNNAMED) RWANDANS OF THE BENEBIKIRA SISTERS. THERE ARE ONE AMERICAN AND TWO BELGIAN SISTERS IN THE TWO GROUPS; THE REST ARE RWANDANS AND ZAIRIANS.

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- SR. CHARLES-MARIE SERAFINO (AMERICAN)
- SR. RENEE LINARD (BELGIAN)
- SR. JEANNE D'ARC MUKASHYAKA
- SR. ANASTASIE MUREHEYISONI
- SR. MARIE-CHARLES AYINKAMIYE
- SR. VERENE MUKANKUBITO
- SR. PHILOTHEE MUSABIMANA
- SR. MARIE-JEANNE MUKAMUHIRWA
- SR. MARIE-FRANCOISE MUKAREMERA
- SR. IMMACULEE MUKABUGABO
- DR. MARIE-CECILE USABYEMARIYA
- SR. MARIE-ODETTE MUKANKIKO
- SR. MARIE-FRANCINE KANYANGE
- SR. JOSEE NHIMIYIMANA
- SR. MARIE-MEDIATRICE MUKAYITASIRE
- SR. ANASTASIE UWAMUGIRA
- SR. VIVIANE MUKASHYAKA
- SR. VESTINE NIYIKORA
- SR. DROCELLE MUKANTABANA

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SR. NYINAWUMWAMI BERNADETTE
SR. MUKABUTERA MARIE-ALPHONSINE

RESCUING THE KIBUYE NUNS

6. CAMPBELL WORKED WITH THE FRENCH MILITARY IN GOMA
ON THE RESCUE OF THE SISTERS OF ST. MARY IN KIBUYE.
BEFORE THE FRENCH ARRIVED IN GOMA, CAMPBELL AND A
BRITISH JOURNALIST HAD TRAVELED BY ROAD TO KIBUYE,
THROUGH 29 CHECKPOINTS MANNED BY HUTU MILITIAS WITH
PANGAS WHOSE SOLE QUESTION WAS WHETHER THERE WERE A
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TUTSIS IN THE VEHICLES. CAMPBELL MET WITH THE SISTERS WHO WERE "TERRIFIED" OF THE LOCAL MILITIAS AND OFFICIALS, AND GATHERED INFORMATION ON THE LOGISTICS OF THEIR MISSION. HIS ORIGINAL PLAN TO COME ACROSS LAKE KIVU IN 12 BOATS WOULD NOT WORK, HE FOUND OUT, SINCE A GOVERNMENT MILITARY CAMP WAS LOCATED BETWEEN THE CONVENT ON THE HILL AND THE LAKE. CAMPBELL AND THE JOURNALIST RETURNED TO GOMA,

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SHARED THEIR INFORMATION WITH THE FRENCH MILITARY AND CONVINCED THEM THAT THE NUNS WERE IN IMMINENT DANGER. THE FRENCH THEN FLEW IN AND EVACUATED THE NUNS AND THEIR ORPHANED TUTSI STUDENTS.

COMMENT

7. ALAN CAMPBELL TAKES RISKS THAT ORDINARY PEOPLE WOULD NEVER ATTEMPT (SUCH AS THE PLANNED RESCUE OF THE ST. MARY SISTERS BY BOAT ACROSS LAKE KIVU). HE IS A PROFESSIONAL PILOT, AND DID SUPERB WORK HERE IN UGANDA, WHERE HE ASSISTED IN THE CLEAN-UP OF LAKE VICTORIA AND THE KAGERA RIVER BY COUNTING THE FLOATING BODIES FROM A HELICOPTER. (HE HAD DONE SIMILAR SURVEYS BEFORE, EXPERIENCE WHICH WAS INVALUABLE HERE.) CAMPBELL WAS CAUGHT UP WITH THE URGENCY OF THE PLIGHT OF THE REMAINING NUNS IN KIRUHURA AND WAS RELIEVED TO LEARN THAT WE HAD A MESSAGE FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IS AWARE OF THEIR PLIGHT.

8. ALAN CAMPBELL PLANNED TO FLY BACK TO THE STATES ON JULY 1, BUT WE EXPECT HE WILL POP UP AGAIN IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD SOON. IF HE SURFACES AT OTHER POSTS, WE WOULD RECOMMEND HIM AS A PERSON WHO CAN GET DIFFICULT JOBS DONE. END COMMENT.

9. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. SHIPPY
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