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TO : ANNAN, UNATIONS, NEW YORK  
FROM : BOOH-BOOH, UNAMIR, KIGALI, RWANDA  
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SUBJECT : WEEKLY SITREP No 14, 11 JAN 94 - 17 JAN 94

1. GENERAL SITUATION AND HIGHLIGHTS

THE PAST WEEK NO MAJOR INCIDENT HAPPENED. THE SITUATION IN THE MISSION AREA IS RELATIVELY CALM BUT STRAINED AS WE SEE THE DELAYS IN THE INSTALLATION OF THE BROAD BASED TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT. WE ARE FACING A POLITICAL STAGNATION AND ARE LOOKING UP TO AN 18 DAY DELAY IN SETTING UP OF THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS. UNAMIR CONTINUES TO PURSUE ALL EFFORTS TO UNBLOCK THE SITUATION. SEVERAL INSTANCES ANNOUNCED A BREAKTHROUGH THIS WEEK AND THIS WOULD BE WELCOME. UNAMIR PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT RESOURCES ARE BEING AUGMENTED CONTINUOUSLY. THE PERSONNEL HAVE NOT HAD ANY LEAVE NOR CTO SINCE 19 DEC 93 DUE TO THE STATE OF TENSION/APPREHENSION AND UNCERTAINTY. EXTENSIVE UNAMIR TROOPS ARE DEPLOYED IN THE KIGALI AREA WHICH HAS EFFECT ON THE OVERHAUL AVAILABILITY OF TROOPS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. NUMEROUS SECURITY TASKS ARE BEING CARRIED OUT AT A MAXIMUM LEVEL. UNAMIR NEEDS A DECISION ON THE BBTG AT THE END OF THE WEEK AS WE MUST COMMENCE REDEPLOYMENT IN OTHER SECTORS AND ALSO NORMALIZE ROUTINE FOR TROOPS/JNMOs.

2. POLITICAL

THE POLITICAL IMPASSE REGARDING THE SETTING UP OF THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS CONTINUES. THE SRSG REMAINS HOWEVER ACTIVE IN HIS EFFORTS TO HELP THE PARTIES TO OVERCOME THEIR DIFFERENCES. HE HAS COMMUNICATED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, THE PRIME MINISTER, THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE RPF A MESSAGE FROM UN SECRETARY GENERAL URGING THEM TO AGREE TO AN EARLY SETTING UP OF THESE INSTITUTIONS.

THE POLITICAL TERRAIN CONTINUES TO BE DOMINATED BY THE FORMER ONE PARTY STATE AND ITS PARTISANS, ALTHOUGH THE OPPOSITION PARTIES ARE STILL VERY VOCAL. THE GOVERNMENT PARTY (MRND) HELD A MAJOR RALLY OVER THE WEEKEND WHICH FORTUNATELY DID NOT LEAD TO ANY VIOLENT PROTEST MARCH AS THE ONE REPORTED IN THE PREVIOUS SITREP.

THE RPF LEADERSHIP HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE ON FRIDAY DURING WHICH THEY RAISED CONCERN OVER THE DETERIORATING ECONOMIC

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SITUATION OF THE COUNTRY. HOWEVER, THEY DISMISSED SUGGESTIONS OF A RESUMPTION OF THE CIVIL WAR AND HAVE SUBSEQUENTLY INDICATED THAT EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO SET UP THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS THIS WEEK.

3. MILITARY

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A. DEPLOYMENT

(1) HQS

FORCE HQ PLANNING SECTION ORGANIZED MEETINGS WITH RGF AND RPF ON ARMY REGULATIONS. THE JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE WAS A GREAT SUCCESS. THE CHIEFS OF STAFF OF RGF, GENDARMERIE AND RPF ALL ATTENDED AND WE AGREED ON THE TERMS OF REFERENCE, ON THE WORKING GROUP (TRAINING/OPS/ADM/LOG AND PROGRAM) AND ON THE PRIORITY TASKS THAT MUST BE UNDERTAKEN BETWEEN NOW AND THE DISENGAGEMENT PROCESS. NORMAL STAFF WORK HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT ESPECIALLY ON ENHANCING EXISTING SECURITY MEASURES. OPTICNS FOR FUTURE FORCE POSTENING BEING CONSIDERED SHOULD BBTG BE DELAYED BEYOND THIS FRIDAY. SEVERAL STAFF BRIEFINGS WERE ORGANIZED FOR NEW COMING PERSONNEL, IN PARTICULAR FOR BRIG GEN ANYIDOKO FROM GHANA, DEPUTY FORCE COMMANDER.

(2) KIGALI SECTOR

WAS FOCUSED ON THE PREPARATION OF THE SECURITY OF THE COMING SWEARING-IN CEREMONIES. TWO PLATOONS ARE ENSURING THE SECURITY OF THE LOCATION OF THE RPF BATTALION AND VIPs. THE PRIVATE RESIDENCES OF THE PRIME MINISTER, THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT AND FIVE OPPOSITION MINISTERS ALSO BEING SECURED BY SEC KIGALI TILL INSTALLATION OF THE BBTG. THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE INSTALLATION OF THE HQ AND THE SUBORDINATE UNITS SPREAD OUT OVER KIGALI IS A MAIN TASK. WILL ALSO CONCENTRATE ON ENSURING THE KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA AND GATHERING OF INFORMATION REGARDING ARMED POLITICAL MILITIA AND SUSPICIOUS AREA IN ORDER TO PREVENT ESCALATION OF TENSE.

(3) MILOB HQ

NORMAL ESCORT DUTIES HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT. THE UNMOs HAVE BEEN REDEPLOYED ACCORDING TO THE MOVE OF THE GRAVITY CENTER TO KIGALI. WILL CONCENTRATE ON INFORMATION GATHERING BY MEANS OF CONTACTS WITH THE LOCAL POPULATION. IS ESTABLISHING A SUB HQ IN MULINDI (RPF SECTOR) AND IN RUKENGERI (RGF SECTOR). CONDUCTED EXTENSIVE RECCE ALONG THE DMZ

BORDER AND IN THE RPF AREA. PLANS ARE BEING CREATED FOR A NEW SUBSECTOR IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE COUNTRY (BUTARE).

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## (4) DMZ SECTOR

DMZ SECTOR HQ IS NOW OPERATIONAL IN ITS HQ AREA OF BYUMBA. THE SITUATION IS CALM IN THE DMZ AREA. IS PREPARING OFFENSIVE ACTIONS AGAINST KNOWN ARMS CACHES. LACK OF MOBILITY AND BASIC INFANTRY EQUIPMENT FOR TUNISIAN COY(-) IS REDUCING THE SCOPE FOR SUCH OPERATIONS.

## (5) UNOMUR SECTOR

UNOMUR AREA OF OPERATION IS CALM. BORDER CROSSING ACTIVITY CONTINUING TO BE ON THE INCREASE. ON 13 JAN 94 TWO RPF OFFICERS WERE CHECKED BY AN UNOMUR PTL TEAM. THEY WERE IN UNIFORM AND BLAMED THE UNMOs FOR PATROLLING CONSTANTLY AND CHECKING VEHICLES, AS IT WAS THEIR MAIN SUPPLY ROUTE. THEY ALSO KNEW A LOT OF NAMES FROM UNOMUR SENIOR OFFICERS. THE DIRECTION WHERE THEY CAME FROM AND THE ATTITUDE OF THE NRA PERSONNEL IN THAT AREA SUGGESTS THAT MAYBE THEY WERE AT THE KAMWEZI NRA BATTALION TO PERFORM SOME KIND OF LIAISON TASK. FC/CMO WANTS TO GO TO UGANDA IN ORDER TO SORT OUT THE CROSSING BORDER PROBLEM. NO SUITABLE OCCASION HAS BEEN FOUND TILL NOW BECAUSE OF UGANDAN INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

## (6) FORCE LOG, MED AND ENGINEERS ELEMENTS

LARGE ADVANCE PARTIES HAVE ARRIVED IN THE MISSION AREA SINCE THE BEGINNING OF DEC 93. AS LONG AS NO EQUIPMENTS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY BANGLADESH THIS PERSONNEL CONTINUE TO BE TASKED AS INFANTRY.

B. UNAMIR FORCE STRENGTH

THE FOLLOWING NEW COMING PERSONNEL ARRIVED IN THE MISSION AREA: (A) 10 EGYPTIAN UNMOs ON 11 JAN 94; (B) 4 GHANIAN STAFFS ON 15 JAN 94 (INCLUDING BRIG CEN ANYIDODHO). TOTAL PERSONNEL STRENGTH AS PER 170800 JAN 94 IS 1292. DETAILED WEEKLY PERSONNEL STATE IS ATTACHED HEREBY.

C. MEDICAL AND HEALTH STATE

THE UNAMIR FIELD HOSPITAL BEING INAUGURATED IN THE KING FAYCAL HOSPITAL AT KIGALI, STAFFING IS STILL ONGOING ON THE ISSUE OF MEDICAL SUPPORT TO LOCAL POPULATION AND ON TASK SHARING BETWEEN UNAMIR AND HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT. MEDICAL SUPPLIES ARE STILL MISSING. THE PAST WEEK 59 UNAMIR PERSONNEL AND 43 LOCAL PEOPLE HAVE RECEIVED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT.

INPATIENT TREATMENT WAS GIVEN TO 22 UNAMIR PERSONNEL.

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UNCIVPOL

- A. A CIVPOL MONITOR TEAM WENT TO THE REFUGEE CAMP 10 KM NORTH OF KIGALI, NYACYONGA, WHERE PROBLEMS OCCURRED ON SUNDAY 16 JAN 94. THE DIFFICULTIES ARE BECAUSE OF THE INTERNATIONAL FOOD, WATER AND MEDICAL SUPPORT TO THE REFUGEES BEING MUCH BETTER THAN FOR THE LOCAL PEOPLE.
- B. INVESTIGATIONS TOGETHER WITH NATIONAL GENDARMERIE IN A CASE OF GRENADE ATTACK AGAINST FORMER MINISTER A. KATABARWA, WHO WAS DRIVING HIS CAR BY ENTERING HIS RESIDENCE AS AN UNKNOWN MALE ADULT OF NEGRO THREW INTO SAID CAR A PACKET WHICH EXPLODED AND INJURED MR. KATABARWA AND HIS OUTSIDE THE CAR STANDING SERVANT Mr. C. HAGENIMANA. BOTH WERE BROUGHT FOR TREATMENT TO CENTRAL KIGALI HOSPITAL. INVESTIGATIONS ARE ONGOING AND FURTHER NEWS WILL BE REPORTED.
- C. CURRENT MANPOWER OF CIVPOL IS 5 (POLICE OFFICERS).

5. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

THE LOGISTICAL ENVIRONMENT IS STILL DIFFICULT BUT STOCKS ARE NOW MOVING FROM DAR ES SALAAM TO KIGALI. SHORTAGE OF TRANSPORT AND SERIOUS LACK OF COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT/RADIOS ARE THE MAIN PROBLEMS. STAFFING STILL ONGOING REGARDING BANGLADESH ENGINEER COY EQUIPMENT DEFICIENCIES THAT WE HAVE FINALLY BEEN MADE AWARE OF. RECCE OF SUITABLE SITES AND NEEDS FOR DMZ GHANIAN BATTALION ONGOING BUT THEIR DEFICIENCIES SEEMS AS BAD AS THOSE OF THE BANGLADESH. STAFFING OF REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PREPARATION AND OPERATION OF THE ASSEMBLY POINTS / CANTONNEMENTS POINTS AND INTEGRATED TRAINING CENTERS STILL ONGOING WITH TANGIBLE RESULTS EXPECTED BEFORE MID FEB.

6. CONCLUSION

WE PASSED THE SCHEDULED INSTALLATION DATE FOR THE BBTG WITH MORE THAN 17 DAYS AND THERE IS SOME HOPE TO HAVE THE REAL INSTALLATION IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THE PRESENT DELAY IS STILL ACCEPTABLE BUT THIS SITUATION MUST END IN ORDER TO AVOID SERIOUS DETERIORATION OF THE SITUATION. THE HEAVY CONCENTRATION OF UNAMIR FORCES IN KIGALI DUE TO THE ESSENTIAL SECURITY REQUIREMENTS CREATED BY THE FACT THAT THE BBTG IS STILL NOT IN PLACE, IS SERIOUSLY JEOPARDIZING OUR OFFENSIVE INITIATIVES IN THE KWSA AND IN THE DMZ. THIS CONCENTRATION OF FORCE IN KIGALI CANNOT BE SUSTAINED FOR MUCH LONGER AS OUR CREDIBILITY IN MONITORING THE SECURITY IN THE REST OF THE COUNTRY WILL RAPIDLY BE ERODED. FURTHERMORE, TROOP MORAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXIGENCIES WILL REQUIRE US TO START SENDING SOME PERSONNEL ON LEAVE/CTO.

7. REGARDS

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WEEKLY PERSONNEL STATE

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Ser No	Country	TROOPS										UNMO	Total	
		Inf Bn	Log Coy	Eng Coy	Med Coy	MinCom Pl	MP Sec	DMZ Coy(-)	Sub Total	Staff	Total			
1	ARGENTINA													
2	AUSTRIA												5	5
3	BANGLADESH	265	83	85	27	20	5		485	28	513	51	564	
4	BELGIUM	412							412	15	427		427	
5	BOTSWANA											9	9	
6	BRASIL	3							3		3	10	13	
7	CANADA									1	1	1	2	
8	CONGO											25	25	
9	ECUADOR													
10	EGYPT											10	10	
11	FIJI											1	1	
12	GHANA									18	18	24	42	
13	HUNGARY											4	4	
14	MALI											10	10	
15	NETHERLANDS											10	10	
16	NIGERIA											14	14	
17	PAKISTAN													
18	POLAND											5	5	
19	RUSSIA													
20	SENEGAL											39	39	
21	SLOVAKIA											5	5	
22	TANZANIA													
23	TOGO											15	15	
24	TUNISIA								60	60	1	61	61	
25	URUGUAY											21	21	
26	ZIMBABWE											10	10	
	TOTAL	680	83	85	27	20	5	60	960	63	1023	269	1292	