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FROM: UNAMIR, KIGALI.

SITREP COVERING PERIOD 180600Z MAR TO 190600Z MAR 94.

1. GEN SITUATION: THE SITUATION IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY OBSERVED TO BE CALM. NO MAJOR INCIDENT TOOK PLACE AT KIGALI CITY.

2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES: BROAD BASED TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT NOT YET INSTALLED. NEGOTIATIONS ONGOING. ON 180900 MAR 94 SRSG HAD A MEETING CONVENED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF TANZANIA AT KIGALI SEC/HQ WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL POLITICAL PARTIES INCLUDING RPF. ALSO ATTENDING THE MEETING WERE THE PRIME MINISTER, PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE, THE AMBASSADORS OF FRANCE, BELGIUM, GERMANY, USA, ZAIRE, UGANDA, TANZANIA AND EGYPT, THE CHARGES DE AFFAIRS OF KENYA AND BURUNDI, THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OAU AND THE PAPAL NUNCIO, DEAN OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS. ON 182000 MAR 94 THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE, FAUSTIN TWARIMUNGU GIVE A COMMUNIQUE ON RADIO RWANDA ANNOUNCING THE LIST OF THE MINISTERS OF THE BBTG WHICH SHOULD BE INSTALLED ON MONDAY 21 ST OF MARCH 94 THE LATEST. HE GAVE AN OVERVIEW OF THE SITUATION SINCE THE SIGNING OF THE ARUSHA PEACE AGREEMENT IN ARUSHA TILL THE ARRIVAL OF THE RPF BN AND VIPs AT KIGALI. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WILL ALSO ANNOUNCE THE LIST OF DEPUTIES FOR THE ASSEMBLY. THE TANZANIAN MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, WHO WAS IN KIGALI DURING LAST WEEK TO ACT AS THE FACILITATOR IN THE NEGOTIATIONS FOR INSTALLATION OF BBTG LEFT RWANDA AFTER A WEEK VISIT. ON A PRESS CONFERENCE BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE HE DECLARED THAT THE DEADLOCKS TO THE INSTALLATION OF THE BBTG ARE CREATED BY THE PL PARTY.

3. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. RGF: ON 18 MAR 94 RGF CARRIED OUT PARA DROP TRAINING IN THE VALLEY OF NYANDUNGU NEAR KIGALI AIRPORT FROM 0800 HRS TO 1200 HRS WITH THE HELP OF ONE BELGIAN C-130 AIRCRAFT.

B. RPF. NTR.

C. OTHERS:

(1) ON 170830 MAR 94, A RWANDESE BOY BROUGHT ONE GRENADE TO THE LOCATION OF 'B' COY OF KIBAT. IT WAS FOUND IN A GARDEN AT A DISTANCE OF 250 METERS AWAY FROM THE LOCATION OF THE COY HQ. EOD TEAM WAS INTIMATED ABOUT THIS AND THEY TOOK THE GRENADE ON 171100 MAR 94 AND KEPT IT AT CAMP KANOMBE FOR FURTHER DESTRUCTION.

(2) ON 181400 MAR 94, SECTOR COMMANDER OF KIGALI SECTOR HAD A COORDINATION CONFERENCE ON KWSA AT KIGALI SECTOR HQ. IN THIS CONFERENCE ONLY THE RPF REPRESENTATIVE WAS PRESENT. THE RGF REPRESENTATIVE DID NOT ATTEND THE CONFERENCE.

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4. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. FORCE HQ. A/PC VISITED THE LOGISTICS COMPOUND OF KIBAT AT RWANDEX (KIGALI). AT 15.00 HRS HE MET THE US AMBASSADOR WHO PROVIDED INFORMATIONS ON THE POSSIBLE STATEMENT OF THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE AT 19.00 HRS. AT 16.00 HRS A/PC CHAIRED A CO-ORDINATION MEETING BETWEEN KIGALI SEC HQ AND UNCIVPOL. THE IDEA OF QUICK REACTION TEAMS BEING COMPOSED OF ONE CIVPOL OFFR, ONE OR TWO MEMBERS OF THE GENDARMERIE AND ONE UNMO WAS ALSO INTRODUCED.

B. UNOMUR. THE UNOMUR OPERATIONAL AREA IS CALM. ACTING CMD IS OUT OF STATION AND LTC NOORDSY IS NOW THE ACTING CMD. SECTOR KABALE AND KISORO CARRIED OUT ROUTINE PATROL IN OWN AOR. A GROUP OF SIXTEEN (16) YOUNG GIRLS AGED BETWEEN 18 TO 24 YEARS CROSSED THE BORDER IN TWO VEHICLES (REG NO UAB-048 AND BR-085) THROUGH KATUNA INTO RWANDA ON 160100 MAR 94. WHILE CHECKING THEY STATED THAT THEY CAME FROM KAMPALA AND WERE GOING TO SEE THEIR RELATIVES AT BYUMBA IN RWANDA. 23 VEHICLES (21 TRUCKS AND 2 LAND CRUISERS) OF WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME CROSSED THE BORDER THROUGH KATUNA ON 171005 MAR 94 AND WENT BACK TO KAMPALA AFTER HAVING DELIVERED THE GOODS. BORDER CROSSING AT KATUNA:

DATE	FROM UGANDA INTO RWANDA	FROM RWANDA INTO UGANDA
17 MAR	05 VEHICLES CROSSED THE BORDER CARRYING 37 PASSENGERS (AGED BETWEEN 20 TO 35 YEARS). NOTHING SIGNIFICANT COULD BE FOUND.	04 VEHICLES CROSSED THE BORDER CARRYING 07 PASSENGERS (AGED BETWEEN 25 TO 40 YEARS). NOTHING SIGNIFICANT COULD BE FOUND.

C. DMZ. MILOB TEAM C REPORTED THAT THERE IS GENERAL PANIC AMONG THE POPULATION IN TUMBA/KINIHIRA AREA IN VIEW OF THE KINIHIRA AMBUSH OF 15 MAR 94. THE HOSTEL SCHOOL AT TUMBA IS GIVEN PROTECTION BY BYUBAT BECAUSE OF FEAR AMONG THE STUDENTS. AT ABOUT 0730 HRS 'A' COY OF BYUBAT HEARD SMALL ARMS FIRE IN THE KINIHIRA TEA PLANTATION AREA (A9514). PTLs COULD NOT GET ANY INFORMATION ABOUT FIRING FROM LOCALS. SITUATION BEING MONITORED. RGP REOCCUPIED ABANDONED POSITION AT BUSHOGA (B3424B1) ON 18 MAR 94 WITH A REINFORCED STRENGTH. SITUATION IN AREA BEING MONITORED BY TEAM F. TEAM A CONDUCTED PATROL TO NKUMBA, KIDARO, BUTARO. TEAM B CARRIED OUT LONG DISTANCE PATROL IN OWN AOR. TEAM C WENT ON PATROL TO RUTABO AND KISSARO. TEAM D PROVIDED ESCORT TO ICRC FOR FOOD DISTRIBUTION AT RUTABO. BYUBAT CARRIED OUT ROUTINE PATROL IN OWN AOR. 'A' COY PROVIDED SECURITY DURING PERIOD OF PAYMENT OF WORKERS OF TEA PLANTATION IN KINIHIRA IN VIEW OF RECENT SECURITY IN THAT AREA. BYUBAT BOD TEAM DEMOLISHED 4 X GRENADES, 400 X BALL AMMO, 1 X ANTI PERS MINE AT NGARAMA (B2628). FORCE ENGRS COY CONDUCTED RECCE ON TWO MAIN ROADS TO THE WESTERN PART OF THE DMZ. ALSO CARRIED OUT REPAIR WORKS AT NGONDORÉ MEETING PLACE.

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D. MILOR:

(1) RGF SECTOR. CARRIED OUT PTLs IN OWN AOR. NORMAL BORDER CROSSING ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN OBSERVED.

(2) RPF SECTOR 21 BN COMD DECLARED THAT HIS BN HAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE TRIANGULAR AREA SQ 1130, 1433, 1335. TEAM 504 CONFIRMED UP TO SQ 1235. LAST RPF CHECK POINT WAS LOCATED AT SQ 120370. TEAM ALSO FOUND CIVILIANS RESIDING AT SQ 127352. THESE CIVILIANS COMPLAINED THAT THE WITHDRAWAL OF RPF SERIOUSLY AFFECTS THEIR ACCESS TO MEDICAL CARE. TEAM 504 ESCORTED RPF MEDICAL TEAM TO AND FROM DMZ, WHERE THE MEDICAL TEAM WITHDRAW 16 BOXES OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT.

(4) SOUTHERN SECTOR. STUDENTS OF AGRICULTURAL FACULTY IN BUTARE UNIVERSITY HAS CALLED OFF THEIR STRIKE. COMD SECTOR SOUTH LIAISED WITH PREFECT OF BUTARE. POLITICAL SITUATION IN AOR IS NORMAL. TEAM 703 REPORTS THAT PREFECT OF KIBUYE MET DELEGATION FROM ZAIRE. TOPICS DISCUSSED WERE TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. TEAM HELD MEETING WITH GENDARMERIE COMD OF BUTARE AND UNHCR. UNHCR STAFF ONCE MORE REPORTS THAT PARAMILITARY TRAINING IS TAKING PLACE IN REFUGEE CAMPS RUHERU (F3996) AND SHORORO (F4595). ACCORDING TO UNHCR THE TRAINING USUALLY TAKES PLACE IN THE NEARBY FOREST AT NIGHT. THE TRAINEES ARE YOUNG REFUGEES AND THEY USE DUMMY RIFLES AND WOODEN HAND GRENADES. UNHCR ALSO REPORTS 350 NEW REFUGEES ENTERED THESE TWO CAMPS DURING LAST WEEK. GENDARMERIE PROMISED FULL CO-OPERATION IN THIS MATTER IF THIS ALLEGATIONS PROVE TO BE TRUE.

E. KIGALI SECTOR

(1) RUTBAT CARRIED OUT 4 FOOT PTLs, 27 VEHICLE PTLs AND 3 CHECK POINT DUTIES. ALSO PROVIDED SECURITY TO THE FHQ AND THE RESIDENCE OF SRSG. FOUR SECTIONS ESCORTED VIPs. FOUR SECTIONS CONDUCTED TRAINING.

(2) KIBAT CARRIED OUT 23 VEHICLE PTLs AND THREE CHECK POINT DUTIES. PROVIDED SECURITY TO KIGALI AIRPORT, OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER, KIGALI SECTOR HQ, RESIDENCE OF THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. THEY ALSO PROVIDED SECURITY TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT, PRIME MINISTER AND PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE. THEY EMPLOYED TWO APCs FOR THE SECURITY AT CND.

(3) TUNISIAN COY (-) CARRIED OUT TWO FOOT PTLs AND FIVE VEHICLE PTLs. THEY ALSO SECURED THE CND COMPLEX.

(4) KIGALI SECTOR PROVIDED 7 UNMO ESCORTS, 4 FOR RGF, AND THREE FOR RPF. THEY ALSO PROVIDED FIVE ARMED ESCORTS, ONE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER, ONE FOR SRSG, ONE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE AND TWO FOR RPF.

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5. UNCIVPOL. CIVPOL AND GENDARMERIE CONDUCTED MIXED PTLS AT KIGALI CITY. ON 17 MAR 94 AT ABOUT 2100 HRS A MERCHANT HAS BEEN ASSAULTED IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF KANOMBE BY UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS. ONE OF THE BANDITS HAS BEEN KILLED IN A GUN FIGHT WITH THE MILITARY. GENDARMERIE FOUND ID CARD ON HIS BODY AND IS VERIFYING. TWELVE (12) R-4 CARTRIDGES AND TWO (2) MACHETES HAVE BEEN FOUND ON THE SPOT. GENDARMERIE KACYIRU IS INVESTIGATING THE CASE. ON 182205 MAR 94, CIVPOL RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM DUTY OFFICER OF FORCE HQ THAT THE FORMER MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, WHO IS SUPPOSED TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT, MEANS THAT SOMEBODY WANTS TO KILL HIM THIS NIGHT. THE POLICE MONITORING TEAM (PMT) WENT TO THE PLACE OF THE MINISTER GOINCIRA AND INFORMED THE LOCAL GENDARMERIE, WHO PLACED THREE (3) OFFICERS IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE.

6. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. ABOUT 6000 LOCALS FROM COMMUNE KIBALI RECEIVED FOOD AID FROM ICRC. LOCAL PEOPLE OF MUSHASHA (A7728) HAVE COMPLAINED THAT THEY HAVE NOT RECEIVED FOOD AID FROM NGO SINCE TWO MONTHS. THEY HAVE REQUESTED FOR URGENT ATTENTION IN THIS REGARDS.

7. CIVIL AFFAIRS. NTR.

8. LOGISTICS. LOG COY PROVIDED SECURITY TO THE UNAMIR WORKSHOP AND UNAMIR SUPPLY AND COMMUNICATION WAREHOUSE. DRY, FRESH AND FROZEN FOOD WERE ISSUED TO THE VARIOUS COMPONENTS OF UNAMIR AS USUAL. ONE SECTION (10 DRIVERS) CARRIED OUT TRAINING ON THE LOCAL ROAD AND TRAFFIC SYSTEM. ONE TRUCK WENT TO BYUMBA AT 0900 HRS WITH DRINKING WATER AND CAME BACK AT 1400 HRS SAFELY.

9. MISC. NTR.