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STATEMENT

On Monday 4th April 1994 five of us were detailed on duty at the Prime Ministers Residence by our O.C., Captain Helby to provide internal security within the prime Minister's house.

Then on the 6th April 1994 around 8.30 we monitored in our Radio that the Presic was returning from a Conference within a fifteen minutes time. And after that statement over the radio, we saw a plane hovering about in the air, just within that period ~~the~~ heard of two bomb blasts and saw of small arms firing. During the firing we were deployed to our firing points. Meanwhile the Gendarmarines who were ~~the prime~~ her personal guards also in positions.

The next day being the 7th April I around 4.30 am to 5.00 am the Belgians (im) with ~~four~~ escort cars. Two of the cars were parked outside and two were driven inside the yard.

The Guard Commander approached them.

D for their mission and they answered that they
are coming to see the Prime Minister. After
that they knocked at the woman's door
but the woman did not answer.

Meanwhile firing was coming toward
the house and so the Belgians also took
cover. While ~~was~~ ~~was~~ at ~~my~~ firing post
~~we~~ saw some of body guards cutting
the barb wires. Few minutes later ~~we~~
saw the woman and the families passing
through that pavement together with
the Gendarmes around 6.30 am to 7.

We were then left behind with the
Belgian Soldiers. About 7.15 am ^{the House was} ~~we~~
surrounded by the Government forces and
ordered us to put our arms down at a gun
vehicle and drove us to a waiting

At the Camp, we saw their Camp.
UN Observer Officer. When one Togo-ese
we were ordered to sit down. The soldier
at the Camp rushed on us and started
beating us from all angles, some with
rifles, sticks, iron bars and stones. This
made me sustained injuries in my right
arm. There the UN Observer asked us to
enter their guards resting room.

During the course of the assault four of
the Belgians collapsed while the rest.

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3) us pushed into the resting room. Few minutes later some Soldiers forced the door opened and one Belgium was shot at a closed range. Meanwhile the UN observer was also beaten and forced him to be in the area. We the Ghanaians were later separated from the Belgians and sent us to another place. While moving ~~we~~ I heard rapid firing in the room. Then we were escorted to a place together with the UN observer. One escort informed the Observer that the Force Commander has come to the Camp.

The Observer approached the F.C. and brief him what has happened. The Force Commander called us and asked one Gentleman Officer to provide a vehicle to convey us to the UNAMIR HQ.

During all these crisis, the Soldiers took away our personal weapons and ~~be~~ personal belongings as well as the Belgians and their armaments.

MISSING ITEMS DURING THE CRISIS

- ① G. S. RIFLE NO 32383 BATT NO 180 WITH 20
- ② SLEEPING BAG

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- ③ BLANKET
- ④ BEDSHEET
- ⑤ OC DRESS 2 PAIRS
- ⑥ MESS TINS 2
- ⑦ CANVAS BOOT
- ⑧ RAIN SUIT ~~COAT~~
- ⑨ OVERCOAT JACKET 1 PAIR
- ⑩ TOWEL x SPONCH
- ⑪ TORCH LIGHT
- ⑫ PARK WITH PERSONAL BELONGINGS
- ⑬ PAIRS WITH 3 ID CARDS x \$2,000.00
- ⑭ BLACK WAISTBAG WITH DOCUMENT x 64 UNF REGT UNIT C
- ⑮ TRACKSUIT x UNAMIR YELLOW T SHIRT
- ⑯ SMALL PARK WITH 6 PANTS, BRUSH x POLISH
- ⑰ UNIT LANYARD
- ⑱ PUNCHO
- ⑳ BLACK SANDALS
- ㉑ BELT
- ㉒ SOCKS 1 PAIR
- ㉓ UN BADGE 2
- ㉔ SPONCH DISH AND MIXED SOAPS

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