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I. GENERAL

The overall situation is stable in the country but tension is rising in and around the capital. The mission advance party is doing all it can with little resources and no budget. Our effectiveness is severely hampered by the unacceptable budgetary situation. Things are progressing calmly in the UNOMUR sector.

A. POLITICAL

(1) The absence of a political adviser is not permitting the mission to be as productive and as close to the subtle trends evolving within the capital in particular. Dr. Kabila in Kabale should be able to shuttle to Kigali in the next week or so, as the situation in Uganda and in Kabale in particular stabilizes and gets into a steady state of operation. A PA is supposed to arrive this week.

(2) The extreme Hutu wing of the MDR party, was to have a demonstration last Friday 5 Nov. It never really materialized due to the effective deployment of the Gendarmerie. The Kigali officials and most government leaders did not want nor did they authorize this demonstration, as it had tones of criticizing the Prime Minister designate and the movement of the RPF battalion into Kigali according to the peace agreement. The leaders of the demonstration came to see the UNDP Res Rep on Thursday to confirm that the demonstration was not against UNAMIR in any way. This may have been posturing. DPA has been in touch with Res Rep on this but not with UNAMIR.

(3) The MND party held a rally yesterday but all the rhetoric was aimed at supporting the implementation of the Peace Process. We have however seen more of the youth para-military elements of some of the parties driving around the capital in their particular uniforms making noise. No weapons have been seen.

(4) The NGO and UNHCR are working hard in helping the Burundi refugees in the South of Rwanda. The horror stories are not being repeated to any significant extent in Rwanda and all seem to be trying to down play the ethnic aspects of this catastrophe. It remains essential to keep something positive moving in assisting Burundi to
RESTABLIZE ITSELF, AS THE SOONER THAT HAPPENS, THE
SOONER THE 300,000 REFUGEES IN THE SOUTH OF RWANDA
WILL RETURN HOME, AND THE LESS WE WILL HEAR OF THE
INTERNAL DIFFICULTIES IN BURUNDI UP HERE. THIS
WILL REINFORCE THE ATTENTION OF ALL ON THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ARUSHA PEACE AGREEMENT.
DEFUSING THE BURUNDI PROBLEM WITH OUTSIDE HELP
SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A VIABLE OPTING IN SUPPORTING
THE RWANDAN PEACE PROCESS.

(5) THE UNOMUR POLITICAL SITUATION IS STABLE, EXCEPT
FOR THE LOCAL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS NON-
AVAILABILITY TO DISCUSS THE NEGATIVE PRESS ARTICLE
OF LAST WEEK REGARDING UNOMUR PERSONNEL SOCIAL
ACTIVITIES.

(6) TODAY, FC, COS AND AOC FINALLY MET WITH PRESIDENT
HABYARIMANA JUVENTAL. FC INDICATED TO THE DIFFERENT
MINISTERS OVER THE WEEKEND THAT AFTER TWO WEEKS ON
THE GROUND, IT WAS HIGH TERM FC WAS RECEIVED AT
PRESIDENTIAL OFFICES. LAST NIGHT, FC RECEIVED THE
INVITATION FOR TODAY. IN THE PRESENCE OF
HIS PERSONAL STAFF AND THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE, THE
PRESIDENT EXPRESSED HIS TOTAL SUPPORT, AVAILABILITY
AT ANY TIME TO THE FC AND OPTIMISM FOR THE FUTURE.
HE INDICATED HIS CONCERNS ABOUT THE KIGALI
POPULATION WORRYING OVER THE ARRIVAL OF THE RPF
SECURITY BATTALION. HE ASKED FC WHAT WE ARE GOING
tO DO TO ALLAY THE FORCES. FC EXPLAINED THE
CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE WEAPONS SECURE AREA
AND THAT AFTER THIS WEEK'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH BOTH
PARTIES, WE WILL BE INFORMING THE POPULATION OF OUR
METHODOLOGIES.

(7) AFTER THE SESSION, THE MEDIA ATTEMPTED TO QUESTION
THE BELGIAN (EX-COLONIAL POWER) PARTICIPATION IN
THE KIGALI BN. ANSWER WAS DEFLECTED BUT FC
REGRETTED THAT THE PRESIDENT DID NOT APPEAR WITH
HIM ON THE SCREEN.

B. MILITARY

(1) THE STAFFS ARE BUILDING THE BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR
SETTING UP A FORCE HQ UNDER UNACCEPTABLE LOGISTIC
CONSTRAINTS THAT COME FROM THE INEFFECTIVE
IMPLEMENTATION: PROCESS OF LAUNCHING MISSIONS WITH
NO SET-UP PACKAGES OR BATTLE BOXES OF AT LEAST THE
MINIMUM FUNCTIONAL NEEDS. THE PRODUCTIVITY OF THE
ADVANCE PARTY HAS THUS BEEN LESS THAN HOPED FOR BUT
STILL THE PERSONNEL IS GETTING ON WITH ITS JOB WITH
DEDICATED ZEAL AND INTEREST. THE LANGUAGE
(FRENCH/ENGLISH) SITUATION IS DIFFICULT AS THE BULK
OF THE MISSION STAFF IS MONOLINGUAL (ENGLISH).

(2) THE DMZ SECTOR HAS BEEN IN OUR HANDS SINCE 1 NOV.
93 AND WE HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW IN
DETAIL THE OPERATIONAL AND LOGISTIC SITUATION. THE
FEW FUNCTIONING VEHICLES HANDED OVER FROM NHOG II
HAVE BEEN RESTRICTED TO HARD SURFACE ROADS, TO THE
VALLEY FLOORS AND NO NIGHT PATROLS. NO MAINTENANCE
HAS BEEN DONE ON THESE VEHICLES OVER THE LAST 15
MONTHS AND THEY ARE EXTREMELY DANGEROUS IN THE
MOUNTAINOUS TRAILS THAT COVER THE DMZ. THE FRENCH
FORCES HAVE REQUESTED ME TO RETURN ALL 12 VXHF
RADIO SETS THEY LOANED TO NHOG II AS THEY NEED THEM
FOR BURUNDI. WE ARE ALREADY LOW IN WORKING RADIOS
AND WE WERE TRYING TO INSTALL THE FRENCH SETS IN
OTHER VEHICLES. THIS AFFAIRE WILL BE BROUGHT TO
YOUR ATTENTION IN MORE DETAIL IF WE CAN'T GIVE THE
12 SETS BACK TO THE FRENCH. THE TUNISIAN PLATOONS
AT THIS TIME ARE LIMITED TO DOING STATIC PROTECTION
OF HQS, THE JOINT SESSION/DISCUSSION SITES IN THE
DMZ AND CERTAIN ROAD BLOCKS. A DETAILED LIST OF
THEIR NEEDS HAS BEEN COMPILED AND WILL BE SENT. A
NUMBER OF THESE SOLDIERS ARE CONSCRIPTS WITH TWO
MONTHS OR SO FORMAL TRAINING. IT IS THUS MY
ASSESSMENT THAT, WITH THE SIGNIFICANT VOLUME OF
ESCORT DUTIES THROUGH THE DMZ DUE TO THE INCREASE
IN CONTACT WITH THE RPF LEADERSHIP BY ALL SORTS OF
FORMAL AGENCIES, ETC., WITH THE TERRIBLE STATE OF
OUR VEHICLES AND RADIOS, AND NO NIGHT MONITORING
(NHOG II NEVER PATROLLED AT NIGHT) RENDER OUR
OVERALL EFFECTIVENESS IN MONITORING THE DMZ
EXTREMELY LIMITED. WE ARE INVESTIGATING ALL
VIOLATIONS AND WE ARE SUPPORTING THE KINIHIRA
ACCORDS FOR THE DMZ THAT IMPLICATED THE NHOG II IN
THIS PART AND NOT UNAMIR AS SUCH, BUT WE ARE
PATROLLING IS AT A TRICKLE AT BEST. THIS SITUATION
IS CONSIDERED CRITICAL AND REQUIRES IMMEDIATE
ATTENTION.

(3) THE KIGALI WEAPONS SECURE AREA DETAILED
IMPLEMENTATION PLAN IS STILL EVOLVING AS WE PREPARE
FOR A SECOND ROUND OF DISCUSSIONS WITH BOTH PARTIES
ON THE DETAILED SOPs THAT WE WANT TO IMPLEMENT. WE
STILL ARE CONDUCTING RECONNAISSANCE OF ALL
GOVERNMENT POSITIONS IN THE AREA AND ARE REVIEWING
THE KIGALI BATTALION DEPLOYMENT PROPOSALS. WE
STILL DON'T KNOW WHERE THE GOVERNMENT WISHES TO PUT
THE RPF YIPs AND SECURITY BATTALION. OUR ADVANCE
PARTY HAS NO PERSONNEL DEDICATED TO THE KIGALI SECTOR HQ SO WE HAVE BEEN DOING THE WORK FROM FORCE HQ ON THE SUBJECT. WE WILL INVOLVE THE MILOB GP HQ AS OF NOVEMBER.

(4) MILOBS GROUP HQ IS REASONABLY IN PLACE AND HAS BEEN SUPPORTING THE DMZ SECTOR HQ IN ITS ACTIVITIES. IT HAS NOT REALLY TAKEN UNDER COMMAND THE UNOMUR SECTOR DUE TO ITS LACK OF COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT (THIS IS A CIVILIAN STRUCTURE AND NO PERSONNEL NOR EQUIPMENT ARE ON THE GROUND NOR EXPECTED DUE TO BUDGET DELAYS). THE SENSITIVITIES OF THE UGANDAN POSITION ON UNOMUR INTEGRATION WITH UNAMIR HAS SLOWED DOWN THE INTEGRATION. THE UTILITY OF DEPLOYING UMKOS BEFORE AT LEAST THE END OF NOVEMBER 93 BECAUSE OF OUR TOTAL LACK OF VEHICLES AND RADIOS TO EFFECTIVELY USE THEM IS OF CONCERN.

(5) THE MEDICAL SUPPORT AND EVACUATION SITUATION IS AT BEST DANGEROUS. OUR DOCTOR HAS DONE A COMPLETE REVIEW OF EX-NMCG II PERSONNEL AND OUR NEW ARRIVALS. A LIST OF URGENT MEDICAL SUPPLIES IS BEING FINALIZED FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION, AS WE HAVE LITERALLY NO BASIC MEDICAL SUPPORT FOR OUR PEOPLE. CASES OF MALARIA ARE APPEARING. THIS HAS ALSO AFFECTED THE OPERATIONS IN THE DMZ AS THERE ARE NO EVACUATION CAPABILITIES FROM THAT SECTOR. NMCG II HAD TWO POORLY TRAINED NURSES UNDER CONTRACT. WE ARE MAKING ARRANGEMENTS IN THE GENERAL HOSPITAL IN KIGALI AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE ARRIVAL OF THE BELGIAN KIGALI CONTINGENT NEXT WEEK TO GIVE US SOME SUPPORT.

### (7) VIOLATIONS, INCIDENTS AND COMPLAINTS

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<td>VUGAMBA RANGE (4810)</td>
<td>MINE INCIDENT, A 12 YEAR OLD BOY STEPPED ON AN AP MINE AND LOST BOTH LEGS</td>
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<td>03.11.93</td>
<td>KATUNA OP/CP</td>
<td>A UGANDAN TRUCK CAME FROM RWANDA AT APPROXIMATELY 2330. DRIVER HAD NO DOCUMENTS SUCH AS PASSPORT OR DRIVER'S LICENSE. TRUCK WAS EMPTY AND THE DRIVER SAID THAT HE WAS COMING TO COLLECT FOOD FOR THE RPF.</td>
<td>TRYING TO MAKE CO-RELATIONS AMONG OTHER VEHICLES.</td>
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### C. CONCLUSION

WE ARE ANXIOUSLY AWAITING THE KIGALI DEDICATED BN. MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE WANTING TO MEET WITH THE RPF AS THEY ARE MORE AND MORE INTO THE JOINT WORK SESSIONS IN PREPARATION OF THE BBTG. THE ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS AS DESCRIBED IN CAO REPORT TO FOD ARE NOTHING LESS THAN URGENT. THE MEDICAL SUPPLIES ARE CRITICAL. THE BUDGET IS FUNDAMENTAL TO US BEING ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD IN A REASONABLE WAY. THIS MISSION IS OPERATIONALLY COMMITTED IN TWO SECTORS (DMZ AND UNOMUR) AND IS ABOUT TO LAUNCH A THIRD SECTOR (KIGALI). VEHICLES, RADIOS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO DO THE JOB AT LEAST TO A MINIMUM VIABLE LEVEL ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED, PARTICULARLY AT DMZ.

REGARDS.