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1. PLEASE FIND ATTACHED THE DAILY SITREP MENTIONED ABOVE.

2. REGARDS.
FROM: UNAMIR, KIGALI.

SITREP COVERING PERIOD 240000 MAR TO 250000 MAR 94.

1. GEN SITUATION. THE GENERAL SITUATION IS OBSERVED TO BE CALM. NO INCIDENTS TOOK PLACE DURING THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW. UNAMIR TOOK NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONIES TO BE HELD TODAY.

2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES. ON 242000 MAR 94 THE PRIME MINISTER BROADCAST THE INSTALLATION OF THE BTB ON 250830 MAR 94. AT THIS MOMENT, 25 MAR 12.00 HRS LOCAL, ALL INVITees EXCEPT BULU OF THE RPF HAVE REPORTED TO THE PARLIAMENT FOR THE SWEARING-IN. IT SEEMS THAT THERE ARE TWO LIST OF DEPUTIES, ONE OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND ONE OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (PRESIDENT'S LIST).

3. FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. RGF, MTR.
B. RPF MTR.
C. OTHERS

(1) A LOCAL INFORMED TO THE PATROL OF BUBAT 'B' COY THAT ON 232000 MAR 94 A GRENADE EXPLODED AT MIMULI (T32840). OUT OF THE EXPLOSION SIX PERSONS WERE KILLED AND TWO INJURED. THE INJURED PEREs WERE EVACUATED TO THE HOSPITAL AT NGAAMA. INVESTIGATION ONGOING.

(2) ON 232000 MAR 94, A LANDMINED GRENADE EXPLODED IN THE SECTOR RUGENGE IN THE DISTRICT OF NYARUGENGE. A GROUP OF SIX (06) UNKNOWN PEOPLE CAME IN FRONT OF A SHOP, ONE OF THEM THREW A GRENADE INTO A HOUSE OF THAT AREA. NOBODY WAS INJURED. THE GENDARMERIE OF NYARUGENGE IS INVESTIGATING.

(3) ON 242330 MAR 94 A SOUND OF A GRENADE EXPLOSION WAS HEARD IN THE AREA OF THE CMB. NO INJURY REPORTED.

(4) DURING THE NIGHT OF 23/24 MAR 94 UNKNOWN BURGLARS BROKE INTO A STOREHOUSE AT KIGALI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. THEY REMOVED TWO UN-MAIL BAGS AND ONE BELGIUM DIPLOMATIC MAIL BAG. AND RIPPED OPEN ALL LETTERS. CIVPOL IS INVESTIGATING.

4. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. FORCH HQ A/FC HELD A SECURITY AND PROTOCOL MEETING IN VIEW OF THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY. A/FC ORDERED RED ALERT AND FOR CIVILIANS STAGE TWO TO ENSURE THEIR SECURITY. DELEGATES OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, RGF AND RPF ATTENDED A NON-DENOMINATIONAL SERVICE WAS ORGANIZED FOR LATE MR. J.P. STEVELINCK, SECURITY OFFICER UNAMIR, AND LATE MS. SHIREEN CAUSBY, SECRETARY TO THE CAO. SRSG. A/FC AND CAO ATTENDED.

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B. UNOMUR. THE UNOMUR OPERATIONAL AREA IS CALM. SECTOR KABALE AND KISORO CARRIED OUT ROUTINE PATROL IN OWN AOR. 16 VEHICLES OF WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME (WFP) CROSSED THE BORDER FROM RWANDA TO UGANDA AFTER DELIVERING FOOD STUFFS IN RWANDA. ONE HELICOPTER HAS ARRIVED AT KABALE ON 241350 MAR 94. ANOTHER HELICOPTER IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE AT KABALE BY TODAY. BORDER CROSSINGS AT CATUNA:

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C. DMX:

1. GENERAL SITUATION OBSERVED TO BE CALM. TEAM C REPORTS OF GROWING PANIC AMONG RESIDENTS OF CIUNGO AND KINHITRA AREAS FOLLOWING REPORTS OF A PLANNED RPF SPONSORED DEMONSTRATION ON 26 MAR 94. RESIDENTS ALSO APPREHENSIVE OF A POSSIBLE RGF-RPF CONFRONTATION WHICH MAY RESULT IN LOSS OF LIVES. RPF HAS BEEN TOLD BY DMX SEC COMD NOT TO CARRY OUT THE PLANNED DEMONSTRATION. DMX RPF REPRESENTATIVE NAMED MR. ALPHONSE MERETSE, VISITED BYBAT AT KINHITRA AND INTIMATED THAT RPF DOES NOT INTEND TO ORGANIZE A DEMONSTRATION BUT RATHER WANTS TO HOLD POLITICAL RALLY TO KNOW THE VIEWS OF THE PUBLIC ON CURRENT POLITICAL ISSUES. HE WAS TOLD TO PASS THROUGH THE PROPER CHANNEL WITH SUCH PROPOSALS.

2. TEAM F RECEIVED A COMPLAINT FROM A LOCAL OF CIABARYA (B3243) THAT TWO LOCALS WERE MOLESTED BY RGF SOLDIERS AFTER FAILING TO MEET THEIR DEMANDS FOR MONEY. TEAM F INVESTIGATED ALLEGED RPF PRESENCE AT WARFU (B3251). THE INVESTIGATION IS STILL ONGOING BUT SO FAR THERE IS NO INDICATION OF ANY RPF DEPLOYMENT IN THE MENTIONED AREA.

3. TEAM ‘A’ CARRIED OUT PTLS IN AREAS CATEGA (A6041) AND NYAGE (5739), TEAM ‘C’ CARRIED OUT INVESTIGATIONS IN AREAS KINHITRA (A92160 - BURAMIRA (A8914) - AND KURAME (A9212). TEAM ‘D’ CONDUCTED PTLS FROM NYAHUYAGA (B0931) TO RGF CAMP OR B252277. TEAM ‘E’ CARRIED OUT RECON FOR OWN ACCN AT NYAGAMUNGA (B2423). TEAM ‘F’ CONDUCTED PTLS WITHIN AOR.

4. BYBUAT ‘A’, ‘B’ AND ‘C’ COY CARRIED OUT FOOT AND MOBILE PTLS WITHIN OWN AOR. FORCE RGKRG COY PROVIDED SECURITY AT NUGORDHE. REPAIR WORKS ARE REPORTED TO BE IN PROGRESS. BYBUAT PTLS BASE AT TUMBA PROVIDED SECURITY TO ICRC TO DISTRIBUTE RELIEF FOOD AT RUGURA (A945726).


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D. MILOB PROVIDED ESCORTS FOR UNAMIR PERSONNEL FROM GATURA TO KIGALI. THE CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER ACCOMPANIED BY THE PRINCIPAL STAFF OFFICERS OF MILOB GP HQ VISITED RPF, CMF, B: MOBILE FORCE (BKF) AND 59 BN. AT 250500 MAR 94 MILOB HQ STARTED THE CO-ORDINATION AND THE DEPLOYMENT OF THE UNMILs FOR THE SWARING-IN CEREMONY.

(1) RFPF SECTOR. ON 23 MAR 94 A DEMONSTRATION OF APPROX. 1000 LOCALS TOOK PLACE IN GISENYI. THE DEMONSTRATION WAS AGAINST THE REFUGEES FROM RWANDA AND THEIR USE OF RWANDIANS LAND. THE DEMONSTRATION CONTINUED ON 24 MAR 94.

(2) RFPF SECTOR INCREASED FOOT PATROLS OBSERVED IN CMF AND 59 BN AREAS OF OPERATION. NUMBER OF PATROLS INCREASED FROM 3 TO 5 AND STRENGTH INCREASED FROM 3 TO 6 SOLDIERS. 200 TROOPS OF ALL RANKS CARRIED OUT TRAINING AT BUTARO FOOTBALL STADIUM (SQ81414). 59 BN RECEIVED FOOD SUPPLY FROM MULUNDI HQ. OUTGOING 59 BN COMD, INCOMING 59 BN COMD AND HQ STAFF CONDUCTED RCSC AND FAMILIARIZATION PATROLS TO RFPF, CMF AND 59 BN AQOS. TEAM 503 CONDUCTED PATROL TO NYABAMBO (SQ9522) AND ACCOMPANIED MILOB RECCs TEAM TO BUNYARU (SQ9534) AND KIVUVE (SQ9431). TEAM NET COMD OF RFPF AND HE CONFIRMED THE PROPOSED ACCOMMODATION FOR MILOB TEAM AT BUNYARU.

(4) SOUTHERN SECTOR. GENDARMERIE IS CONDUCTING ID CARD CHECKS ON CHECK POINT IN TOWN AND ON ROAD TO BURUNDI BORDER. DAY AND NIGHT PATROLS ARE CARRIED OUT BY GENDARMERIE AND RFPF UNITS. TEAM 705 VISITED REFUGEE CAMPS NGOZI (F5890), KARAMA (F7094), AKARUKA (F7099). BURUNDI BORDER CHECK POINT NGOZI. INFLUX OF REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI OBSERVED DUE TO THE RECENT MASSACRES IN BURUNDI. NO MAJOR PROBLEMS REPORTED FROM THE CAMPS.

E. KIGALI SECTOR

(1) RUTBAM CARRIED OUT 4 FOOT PATROLS, 27 VEHICLE PATROLS AND 3 CHECK POINT DUTIES. EMPLOYED TWO APCs FOR THE SECURITY OF CND COMPLEX. TWO SECTIONS SECURED RFPF VIPs AND TWO SECTIONS CARRIED OUT LONG RANGE PATROLLING. ONE PLATOON DEPLOYED AT CHEZ LANDO CROSSING, ONE PLATOON AT GADAPI CROSSING AND TWO PLATOONS AT CND IN CONJUNCTION WITH INSTALLATION OF BBTG. ONE SECTION WAS DEPLOYED AT RESIDENCE OF MR LANDO, LEADER OF ONE OF THE PL (PARTY LIBERAL) FACTIONS. SECURED THE FORCE HQ WITH THREE SECTIONS UP TO 241500 MAR 94.

(2) KIBAT CARRIED OUT 2 FOOT PATROL, 26 VEHICLE PATROLS AND 3 CHECK POINT DUTIES. PROVIDED SECURITY TO KIGALI AIRPORT, PROVIDED SECURITY TO THE RESIDENCE OF MR. GULINGIRA BONIFACE AND MR. NGANDO. ALSO PROVIDED SECURITY TO THE RESIDENCE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNAMIR. DEPLOYED ONE PLATOON AT THE Round ABOUT NEAR HOTEL MERIDIAN, ONE PLATOON AT THE SITE OF CND AND ONE
PLATOON AT KIGALI AIRPORT.

(3) BYUBAT GOLF, THE CANAAN COMPANY (+) BEING TRANSFERRED FROM DMZ SEC TO KIGALI SEC ON 23 MAR 94 TOOK OVER SECURITY DUTIES AT THE RESIDENCE OF SRSG, PM, PM DESIGNATE AND PRESIDENT OF CONSTITUTIONAL COURT, RESIDENCE OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER AND MR. LANDO. ALSO PROVIDED SECURITY TO FORCE HQ AND KIGALI SECTOR HQ.

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

(5) KIGALI SECTOR PROVIDED 8 UNMO ESCORTS, 2 FOR GENDARMERIE, 4 FOR RPF, 1 FOR RGF AND 1 FOR UNAMIR. THEY ALSO PROVIDED SEVEN ARMED ESCORTS, ONE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER, ONE FOR SRSG, ONE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE AND THREE FOR RPF AND 1 FOR THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

(6) ON 241850 MAR 94, SECTOR COMMANDER ATTENDED A MEETING AT FORCE HQ ABOUT THE INSTALLATION OF BBTOG ON 25 MAR 94.

(7) ON 241930 MAR 94, SECTOR COMMANDER HAD A MEETING AT KIGALI SECTOR HQ WITH ALL THE UNIT COMMANDERS AND ALSO WITH THE STAFF OFFICERS OF KIGALI SECTOR HQ. LO RGF, LO GENDARMERIE AND LO RPF WERE ALSO PRESENT IN THE MEETING.

(8) ON 240510 MAR 94, UNMO OF KIGALI SECTOR WERE DEPLOYED AT DIFFERENT CRITICAL POINTS OF KIGALI CITY IN ORDER TO HAVE AN EFFECTIVE CONTROL AND MONITORING OF THE SITUATION BEFORE AND DURING INSTALLATION OF BBTOG.

5. UNCIVPOL, CIVPOL AND GENDARMERIE CONDUCTED MIXED PTELS AT KIGALI CITY. NO INCIDENTS REPORTED.

6. HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES. NTR.

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. THREE TRUCKS WERE SENT TO BYUBAT GOLF FOR TRANSPORTATION OF GUARDS FOR VARIOUS PLACES.

9. MISG. THE VOLLEY BALL COMPETITION BETWEEN UNAMIR CONTINGENTS, RGF, RPF ARE IN PROGRESS.