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1. GENERAL SITUATION AND HIGHLIGHTS

- A. THE SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY IS TENSE AND SLOWLY WORSENING DUE TO THE UNSOLVED CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS. THIS WEEK MANY INCIDENTS HAPPENED AT KIGALI CITY. MAINLY GRENADE EXPLOSIONS IN THE EARLY EVENING ARE DISTURBING THE POPULATION OF THE CAPITAL. UNAMIR SURVIVED A FIRST GRENADE ATTACK WITHOUT CASUALTIES. ON 302010 JAN 94 A GRENADE WAS THROWN BY UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS WITHIN THE BORDER OF KIGALI SEC HQ. ANOTHER MAJOR INCIDENT HAPPENED ON 26 JAN 94 AT ABOUT 10.00 HRS WHEN RPF BATTALION COMMANDER AND SENIOR LIAISON OFFICER VIOLATED THE KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA SOPs BY LEAVING THE CND COMPOUND WITH ONE ARMED SECTION AND WITHOUT UNAMIR ESCORT. THEY FIRED OVERHEAD AT A ROAD BLOCK BEING SET UP BY LOCAL POPULATION THAT MORNING.
- B. THE BROAD BASED TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT IS NOT YET INSTALLED. WE ARE FACING A POLITICAL STAGNATION AND ARE LOOKING UP TO A ONE MONTH DELAY IN SETTING UP OF THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS. UNAMIR CONTINUES TO PURSUE ALL EFFORTS TO UNBLOCK THE SITUATION. SRSG HAD MEETINGS WITH THE PRESIDENT AND THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE. THERE IS SOME MOVEMENT AT THE MDR PARTY WHO HAD PROBLEMS IN PROVIDING MINISTERS. ALSO TANGIBLE POSITIVE RESULTS OF SRSG'S FOUR HOUR MARATHON MEETING WITH MRND PARTY AND RPF ON 270900 JAN 94 ARE EXPECTED SOON. ACCORDING TO THIS OPTIMISTIC VIEW FC TASKED HIS STAFF TO REVIEW ONCE AGAIN THE SECURITY ARRANGEMENT FOR POSSIBLE SWEARING-IN CEREMONIES THIS WEEK.
- C. MAIN EVENTS OF THE WEEK FOR UNAMIR MILITARY DIVISION ARE: (1) A VERY SHORT AND EFFECTIVE VISIT OF THE BANGLADESH CHIEF OF ARMY STAFF. HE HAD A MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC WHERE THE PEACE KEEPING CHARACTER OF THE MISSION WAS ACCENTUATED; (2) THE ARRIVAL OF THE GHANAIAI DMZ COMD; (3) THE ARRIVAL OF 368 BANGLADESH TROOPS AND 15 RUSSIAN UNMOS; (4) DISCUSSIONS TOOK PLACE BETWEEN UNAMIR, HCR, GOVERNMENT AND NGOS IN ORDER TO MONITOR THE SPONTANEOUS RETURN OF REFUGEES FROM UGANDA; (5) A BATCH OF 100 UNTAC VEHICLES ARRIVED FROM DAR ES SALAAM AT KIGALI. THEY

ARE IN BAD STATE AND NEED DETAILED CHECKING BEFORE DISTRIBUTION. ALSO ARRIVED NEW APCs AND TRUCKS FROM UNOMOZ; (6) MILITARY ACTIVITIES WERE FOCUSED ON SECURITY TASKS AND MONITORING KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA.

## 2. POLITICAL

- A. THE IMPASSE OVER THE SETTING UP OF THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS CONTINUES.
- B. ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE SRSG, THE TWO PARTIES SIGNATORIES TO THE ARUSHA PEACE AGREEMENT MET ON FRIDAY 28 JANUARY 1994 FOR OVER FOUR HOURS TO DISCUSS THE CURRENT IMPASSE AND THE VIOLENT INCIDENTS THAT OCCURRED RECENTLY IN AND AROUND KIGALI. ALTHOUGH NO BROAD AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON THE MORE IMPORTANT ISSUES SUCH AS THE INSTALLATION OF THE TRANSITIONAL NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND THE BROAD BASED TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT, THE PARTIES MADE SOME SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS ON SECURITY ISSUES IN THE KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA (KWSA).
- C. DURING THE WEEK UNDER REVIEW, THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE MET WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE WHO BOTH REITERATED THEIR FIRM RESOLVE TO END THE PRESENT DEADLOCK. HE ALSO MET GENERAL NOR KHAN, ARMY CHIEF OF BANGLADESH WHO WAS VISITING THE BANGLADESH CONTINGENT WITH UNAMIR.
- D. THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE ALSO VISITED A CAMP OF DISPLACED PERSONS, SOME 15 MILES ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF KIGALI, TO FAMILIARIZE HIMSELF WITH THE PLIGHT OF THESE VICTIMS AND OBSERVE CONDITIONS ON THE CAMP. HE WARNED THE POLITICAL LEADERS THAT THE LACK OF TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS WOULD SERIOUSLY ACCELERATE THE STEADY ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DECLINE OF RWANDA WITH FAR-REACHING POLITICAL CONSEQUENCES.

## 3. MILITARY

### A. DEPLOYMENT

#### (1) HQS

NORMAL STAFF DUTIES WERE CARRIED OUT AND FORCE HQ STAFF CONCENTRATED ON SECURITY MATTERS AS ENHANCING EXISTING SECURITY, EVACUATION PLANS AND ESTABLISHING AN ALL ROUND DEFENCE OF THE FORCE HQ. FOLLOWING MEETINGS/EVENTS ARE BROUGHT TO YOUR ATTENTION:

- (A) FC HELD LENGTHY MEETING WITH RPF LEADERSHIP IN ORDER TO CLARIFY ROAD BLOCK PROBLEMS AT NGONDORE CHECK POINT AND OVERALL PROCEDURES OF CONTROL OF PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL COMING/GOING TO

MULINDI. A MORE DETAILED PROCEDURE WILL BE INSTITUTED OVER NEXT FEW DAYS.

(B) DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD ON THE SPONTANEOUS REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES FROM UGANDA. RPF LEADERS SAID THEY HAVE NO PLAN OF CONTROL/SETTLEMENT OF THOSE REFUGEES INSIDE RWANDA BUT THEY WANT A CONCERTED EFFORT BY UNAMIR/HCR/GOVERNMENT/NGO'S TO LOOK AT THE SITE PROBLEM AND THE FOOD/MEDICAL PROBLEM. THEY WERE INFORMED BY FC THAT WE ARE NOT IN FAVOR OF ANY RETURNEES/REFUGEES OR DISPLACED PERSONS COMING BACK UNTIL AT LEAST JUNE/JULY TIME FRAME WHEN MINE CLEARANCE AND DEMOBILIZATION ARE WELL IN PLACE. SECURITY ASPECTS BEING OUR PRIMARY CONCERN.

(C) ALSO DISCUSSED WAS THE RETURN OF CIVILIANS WHO HAD SOUGHT SOLUTION IN THE CND COMPLEX. THESE PEOPLE WILL BE SENT OUT AND PUT UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE GENDARMERIE WITH UNCIVPOL MONITORING. NEGOTIATIONS STILL ONGOING.

(D) FC HANDED OVER A LETTER OF PROTEST TO THE CHAIRMAN OF RPF CONCERNING THE VIOLATION OF KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA RULES AND THE OVERREACTION TO THE DEMONSTRATION OF 25 JAN 94 BY RPF BATTALION COMMANDER AND SENIOR LIAISON OFFICER.

(E) THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD AT NGONDORÉ ON 27 JAN 94 WAS CANCELLED BY FC BECAUSE BOTH GENDARMERIE AND ARMY CHIEFS OF STAFF BACKED OUT AT THE LAST MINUTE. WITHOUT THEIR PRESENCE (OR AT LEAST THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMY) WE COULD NOT TAKE CERTAIN FUNDAMENTAL DECISIONS ON THE DEMOBILIZATION STAFFING.

(F) ON 271500 JAN 94 DFC MET RGF CHIEF OF STAFF, GEN NSABIMANA, AND FORWARDED FORMAL PROTEST AGAINST INTENDED RGF TROOPS MOVEMENT TO THE KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA.

(G) FC AND PLANS STAFF HAD A MEETING WITH WORLD BANK REPRESENTATIVES ON THE ISSUE OF DEMOBILIZATION. THEIR TEAM WAS IN RWANDA TO QUANTIFY THE FUNDING PROBLEM.

(2) KIGALI SECTOR

CONDUCTED VEHICLE AND FOOT PTL IN KIGALI CITY IN ORDER TO ENSURE KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA. ESTABLISHED DAILY 4 CHECK POINTS AT DIFFERENT PLACES IN KWSA. RANDOM PATROLS AND CHECK POINTS SATURATION BEING MONITORED BY FORCE HQ. 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.

(3) MILOB HQ

NORMAL ESCORT DUTIES HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT. THE UNMOs ARE REDEPLOYED ACCORDING TO THE MOVE OF THE GRAVITY CENTER TO KIGALI. CONCENTRATES ON INFORMATION GATHERING BY MEANS OF CONTACTS WITH THE LOCAL POPULATION. A SUB HQ IN MULINDI (RPF SECTOR) IS NOW ESTABLISHED. RECCE FOR SUB HQ IN RUHENGERI (RGF SECTOR) ONGOING. PLANS ARE BEING CREATED FOR A NEW SUBSECTOR IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE COUNTRY (BUTARE).

(4) DMZ SECTOR

GHANAIAN COMD DMZ ARRIVED ON 25 JAN 94 IN THE MISSION AREA. DMZ SECTOR HQ IS NOW OPERATIONAL IN ITS HQ AREA OF BYUMBA. LACK OF COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSPORT HAMPERS THE OPERATIONS. THE SITUATION IS CALM IN THE DMZ AREA. OFFENSIVE ACTIONS AGAINST KNOWN ARMS CACHES ARE BEING PREPARED. LACK OF MOBILITY AND BASIC INFANTRY EQUIPMENT FOR TUNISIAN COY(-) IS REDUCING THE SCOPE FOR SUCH OPERATIONS. MORE AND MORE REPORTS ARE BEING FORWARDED THAT TENSION RAISES IN THE DMZ AREA AND THAT THE POPULATION IS GETTING ANXIOUS ABOUT THE DELAY IN SETTING UP THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND THE ATMOSPHERE OF INSTABILITY IN THE CAPITAL.

(5) UNOMUR SECTOR

THE SITUATION INSIDE UNOMUR AREA IS CALM. A TOTAL OF 51 PTL HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT: 31 DAY PTL AND 20 NIGHT PTL. IN THE EAST AREA SIX MOBILE PTL WERE CONVERTED INTO FOOT PTL. THE WHOLE WEEK UNOMUR MANAGED TO COVER LUBIRIZI-KASHEKYE AREA CONTINUOUSLY EMPLOYING FOUR TEAMS. DUE TO VEHICLE PROBLEMS THREE BORDER PTL WERE CONDUCTED BY GATUNA CP. GENERALLY, IT SEEMS THAT LUBIRIZI-KASHEKYE AREA IS CONFIRMED AS A CROSSING POINT FOR REFUGEES. SO FAR, APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED REFUGEES CROSSED THE BORDER IN THIS PARTICULAR AREA. SOME OF THEM CAME WITH OFFICIAL CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY UGANDAN AUTHORITIES AT MBARARA OFFICIAL STATEMENT WAS ISSUED THROUGH THE UGANDAN RADIO AND NEWS PAPERS, SAYING THAT THE RWANDESE REFUGEES SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO RETURN TO THEIR COUNTRY, UGANDA IS NOT A DUMPING GROUND. SHIPMENT OF LARGE QUANTITIES OF COW HORNS IS A CAUSE FOR CONCERN. THE FACT THAT THEY ARE MOVED IN LARGE QUANTITIES INDICATES THAT THEY COULD BE USED AS CARRIERS OR TRANSPORTERS. ON 280200 JAN 94 A TRUCK CARRYING 64 MEN, AGED BETWEEN 18 - 30 YEARS, WAS STOPPED BY UNOMUR PTL TEAM. THEY SAID THAY WERE STUDENTS AT A MILITARY TRAINING SCHOOL

AT MBARARA AND THAT THEY WERE GOING ON HOLIDAYS TO RWANDA BEING INVITED BY RPF. THIS MOVEMENT HAS RAISED LOT OF EYE BROWS. ALTHOUGH, NO TANGIBLE PROOF WAS FOUND, IT IS STRONGLY SUSPECTED THAT THEY ARE REINFORCEMENTS FOR THE RPF. UNOMUR IS STILL MISSING IMPORTANT EQUIPMENT LIKE CAMERAS, FLAK JACKETS AND COMBAT HELMETS. THE NON ARRIVAL OF HELICOPTERS IS PULLING THE OPERATIONS BACK. DEPLOYMENT OF PTL BY HELI WOULD BE GREATLY COMPLEMENT THE TRANSPORT FLEET. IT IS UNOMUR'S INTENTION TO HAVE ALL STONES TURNED EVEN WITH INADEQUATE RESOURCES. BUT IT WOULD BE MUCH HAPPIER IF THIS ISSUE IS URGENTLY SOLVED. WITH RAMADAN CLOSE, MOSLEM OFFICERS ALREADY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT, AND WHERE POSSIBLE WILL EXERCISE FLEXIBILITY BUT NOT AT THE DETRIMENT OF OPERATIONS.

(6) FORCE LOG, MED AND ENGINEERS ELEMENTS

LARGE ADVANCE PARTIES HAVE ARRIVED IN THE MISSION AREA IN THE BEGINNING OF DEC 93. THE REST OF THE PERSONNEL ARRIVED THIS WEEK IN THE MISSION AREA. AGAIN WITHOUT OPERATIONAL EQUIPMENT. AS LONG AS NO EQUIPMENTS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY BANGLADESH THIS PERSONNEL CONTINUE TO BE TASKED AS INFANTRY. NO MOVEMENT ON THIS ISSUE.

B. UNAMIR FORCE STRENGTH

THE FOLLOWING NEW COMING PERSONNEL ARRIVED IN THE MISSION AREA: (A) 1 GHANAIAN STAFF OFFR ON 25 JAN 94; (B) 15 RUSSIAN UNMOs ON 27 JAN 94; (C) 7 BELGIAN TROOPS ON 26 JAN 94; (D) 188 BANGLADESH TROOPS ON 29 JAN 94; (E) 180 BANGLADESH TROOPS ON 30 JAN 94. TOTAL PERSONNEL STRENGTH AS PER 310800 JAN 94 IS 1691. DETAILED WEEKLY PERSONNEL STATE IS ATTACHED HEREBY.

C. MEDICAL AND HEALTH STATE

THE UNAMIR FIELD HOSPITAL IS INSTALLED IN KING FAYCAL HOSPITAL. THE HOSPITAL FACES LACK OF MEANS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES ARE NOT AVAILABLE. THE PAST WEEK 42 UNAMIR PERSONNEL AND 31 LOCAL PEOPLE HAVE RECEIVED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT. INPATIENT TREATMENT WAS GIVEN TO 3 UNAMIR PERSONNEL.

4. UNCIVPOL

- A. TEN PERSONS TOOK SHELTER IN THE CND COMPOUND WHERE THE KIGALI RPF BATTALION IS LOCATED. ON 29 JAN 94 CIVPOL, SEC KIGALI, SOUS PREFECT KIGALI CITY, RGF AND RPF HOLD A MEETING IN ORDER TO ARRANGE THE RETURN AT HOME FOR THESE TEN MEN. AT 19.40 HRS A PROTOCOL WAS SIGNED BY ALL PARTIES. BECAUSE OF THE DARKNESS AND ON REQUEST OF

THE REFUGEES THEMSELVES ALL THE PARTIES AGREED THAT IT WAS TOO LATE TO BRING THE REFUGEES OUT. THE AGREEMENT WOULD BE EXECUTED ON 301000 JAN 94. THE SOUS PREFECT CAME THAT MOMENT TO THE CND COMPOUND BUT HE DID NOT ACCEPT THAT THERE WAS NO RPF LIAISON OFFR TO ACCOMPANY HIM AS FORSEEN IN THE PROTOCOL. FINALLY HE LEFT AND THE 10 REFUGEES ARE STILL IN THE CND COMPOUND. ON 31 JAN 94 THERE WERE SOME NEW CONTACTS BETWEEN CIVPOL, SOUS PREFECT AND THE MAYOR OF KIGALI CITY. CIVPOL MONITORING THE NEGOTIATIONS.

- B. CIVPOL INVESTIGATED THE SHOOTING AT THE ROAD BLOCK ON 26 JAN 94. THE COMMANDER OF THE RPF BATTALION ACCOMPANIED BY HIS OWN GUARDS LEFT THE CND COMPOUND. THEY WERE STOPPED AND PREVENTED FROM PASSING AT A ROAD BLOCK BEING SET UP THAT MORNING BY DEMONSTRATORS. THE COMMANDER'S GUARD FIRED OVERHEAD IN THE DIRECTION OF THE DEMONSTRATORS. LOCAL GENDARMERIE ALSO FIRED IN THE AIR TO SCARE THE PEOPLE AND TO FORCE THEM TO REMOVE THE BLOCKADE. AS A RESULT, THE DEMONSTRATORS OPENED THE WAY FOR THE RPF CDR. DURING THE SHOOTING ONE CIVILIAN PERSON WAS INJURED ON HIS RIGHT HAND. CIVPOL INVESTIGATION ONGOING.
- C. THE FOLLOWING ACCIDENTS ARE REPORTED: (1) ACCIDENT INVOLVING MOTORCARS CB2737 (UN RENTED) AND LANDROVER 8620 ON 251405 JAN 94 AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE UNAMIR HQ AND STADIUM AVENUE. NO PERSONS INJURED; (2) ACCIDENT INVOLVING MOTOR VEHICLE UNAMIR 1036 ON 250530 JAN 94. NO PERSONS INJURED; (3) ACCIDENT INVOLVING MOTOR CYCLE WEL026 AND UN RENTED VEHICLE IT3149 ON 270730 JAN 94. THE MOTOR CYCLE DRIVER WAS INJURED.
- D. CIVPOL MONITORED NATIONAL GENDARMERIE INTERVENTIONS ON THE VOLLEY-BALL TOURNAMENT ORGANIZED BY THE NATIONAL VOLLEY-BALL FEDERATION ON 28/29/30 JAN 94 AND A SOCCER MATCH BETWEEN RWANDA AND ZAIRE ON 30 JAN 94. THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS.
- E. 4 BELGIAN CIVPOL ARRIVED ON 26 JAN 94. CURRENT STRENGTH OF UNCIVPOL IS 29.

##### 5. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

THE LOGISTICAL ENVIRONMENT IS STILL DIFFICULT. A FIRST BATCH OF 100 UNTAC VEHICLES ARRIVED AT KIGALI BUT IN A VERY BAD STATE OF DISREPAIR AND LOTS OF THINGS MISSING INCLUDING RADIOS. 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. 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 BY ONE MONTH. THIS SITUATION MUST END AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE 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 DETERRANCE 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 KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA, DMZ AND THE REST OF THE COUNTRY IS MOST VULNERABLE.

7. REGARDS

**UNAMIR - MILITARY DIVISION**  
**Weekly Personnel State**

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DTG: 310800 Jan 94

Ser Nb	Country	TROOPS										UNMO	Total
		Inf Bn	Log Coy	Eng Cov	Med Cov	MovCom Pl	MP Sec	DMZ Coy(-)	Suh Total	Staff	Total		
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)
1	ARGENTINA												
2	AUSTRIA											15	15
3	BANGLADESH	370	200	203	50	20	11		854	29	883	51	934
4	BELGIUM	415							415	15	430		430
5	BOTSWANA											9	9
6	BRASILIA	3							3		3	10	13
7	CANADA									1	1	1	2
8	CONGO											25	25
9	ECUADOR												
10	EGYPT											10	10
11	FLJI											1	1
12	GHANA									19	19	24	43
13	HUNGARY											4	4
14	MALI											10	10
15	NETHERLANDS											10	10
16	NIGERIA											15	15
17	PAKISTAN												
18	POLAND											5	5
19	RUSSIA											15	15
20	SENEGAL											39	39
21	SLOVAKIA											5	5
22	TANZANIA												
23	TOGO											15	15
24	TUNISIA							60	60	1	61		61
25	DRUGUAY											20	20
26	ZIMBABWE											10	10
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>1.332</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>1.397</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>1.691</b>