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UNAMIR - MINUAR

Kigali, ³ March 1994

Subject: LETTER OF PROTEST -- DEPLOYMENT OF RPF TROOPS IN THE DMZ AND EXPULSION OF UNAMIR DUTY PERSONNEL FROM THE CND

Dear General,

This is forwarded to register an official protest concerning the following incidents:

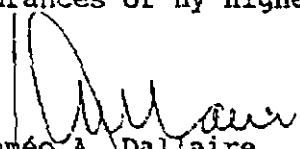
On 25 February 1994, the Commanding Officer of the Third Battalion, located at the CND, refused to allow our Military Observers and armed escorts entry into the CND building to carry out their legitimate duties. He even threatened to drive out those already deployed on duty inside the CND building. This behaviour is a flagrant show of disrespect by the Commanding Officer to UNAMIR and the United Nations. It is also a violation of the Peace Agreement.

Reports reaching this Headquarters also indicate that RPA troops are deploying in the following locations in the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ). The DMZ Sector Commander raised these violations with the RPF Liaison Officer in charge of these areas without any success. We discussed this subject yesterday at your Headquarters.

	Location	Grid
-	Gakoma	B2237
-	Murama	B0221
-	Rutete	B0224
-	Lyaruganzu	B1232
-	Nyabushingi Twa	B1231
-	Bungwe	B1433

These violations are causing an embarrassment to UNAMIR, which stands accused of condoning the RPA actions. The DMZ, as you are aware, is to be void of troops of both RGA and RPA in accordance with the Arusha Peace Agreement and the Kinyira Accord and should be observed strictly. I strongly count on your full support to the DMZ Sector Commander in implementing the immediate withdrawal of the RPA troops from these locations.

Please accept, General, the assurances of my highest consideration.


Roméo A. Dallaire
Brigadier General
Force Commander

Major General Paul Kagame
Chairman RPA High Command
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