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SUBJECT: WEEKLY SITREP NO. 6

I. GENERAL

THE COUNTRY IS GENERALLY TENSE DUE TO THE MASSACRES OF THE NIGHT 17/18 NOV 93 IN RUHENGERI PREFECTURE, AND THE APPROACH OF THE DEPOSED BURUNDI PRESIDENTS FUNERALS. THE ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST FORMED MILITARY TROOPS (BELGQUE COMPONENT OF THE KIGALI BATALLION) HAS DEMONSTRATED UN RESOLVE IN GETTING BBTG IN PLACE SOONEST. OVERALL LOGISTICAL SITUATION IS STILL DESPARATE BUT VERY POSITIVE ANSWERS IN THIS REGARD ARE COMING IN.

II. POLITICAL

A. CRYING WOLF. ON TWO SEPERATE OCCASIONS THIS LAST WEEK (MONDAY AND THURSDAY), THE HEAD OF MISSION WAS CALLED BY THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WITH INFORMATION REGARDING THE MASSING OF NRA (UGANDAN) TROOPS AND RPF ELEMENTS IN KABALE AND VOLCANO AREAS WITH THE AIM OF ATTACKING RWANDA. ALSO, THE RWANDAN AMBASSADOR TO UGANDA STATED THE SAME TO CMO UNOMUR IN KABALE. THERE WAS EVEN TALK OF THE PRESIDENTS ENTOURAGE DEMANDING THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER TO FORMALLY PROTEST IN PERSON TO THE UGANDAN PRESIDENT. THE LATTER REFUSED TO COMPLY WITH THAT SUGGESTION. IN ALL CASES UNOMUR PATROLS WERE DEPLOYED AND ABSOLUTELY NO SIGNS OF SUCH ACTIVITY WERE SEEN. THE SOURCES OF THE ERRONEOUS INFORMATION COME FROM THE CABINET OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC. MISSION HEAD QUERIED THE STAFF OF THE PRESIDENT TO PROVIDE THE SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND SO FAR THE ONLY ANSWER HAS BEEN THEIR CONTACTS IN WASHINGTON. CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMY WAS TO GIVE A FORMAL REPLY TO THESE QUERIES BUT HAVE RECEIVED NOTHING TO DATE. HEAD OF MISSION HAS FORMALLY DEMANDED THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE TO GIVE US HIS SOURCES OF INFORMATION OR ELSE A LETTER OF CONCERN WILL BE SENT TO THE PRESIDENT REQUESTING HIM TO GIVE THE REASONS OF SUCH POTENTIALLY ESCALATING

ALLEGATIONS. IT HAS BEEN VERY USEFUL TO HAVE HAD UNOMUR FORCES READILY AVAILABLE ON THE BORDER TO NIP IN THE BUD THESE UNPROVEN ALLEGATIONS BY THE PRESIDENTS ENTOURAGE. IT IS A SUBJECT THAT THE NEW SRSG SHOULD TAKE UP WITH THE PRESIDENT PERSONALLY IMMEDIATELY. WHY THE PRESIDENT, WITH A SEEMINGLY COMPLICITY OF THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SAME POLITICAL PARTY), IS CREATING THESE POTENTIALLY EXPLOSIVE SCENARIOS IS NOT QUITE CLEAR EXCEPT TO POSSIBLY DISRUPT OR SLOW DOWN OUR DEPLOYMENTS AND THUS AFFECT THE DATE OF ESTABLISHING THE BBTG. L0000134

- B. MASSACRES 17/18 NOV 93. WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO CONFIRM THE NUMBER OF DEAD AT 21, INJURED AT 2 AND KIDNAPPED AT 2 PERSONS. MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN WERE THE VICTIMS. THE INVESTIGATION IS ABOUT 2/3 FINISHED WITH NO HARD INFORMATION SO FAR ON WHO DID THIS TERRIBLE ACT. THE VICTIMS SEEM TO BE EITHER RECENT WINNERS IN THE LOCAL COMMUNAL ELECTIONS, LOCAL SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSMEN, OR CANDIDATES FOR THE UPCOMING ELECTIONS. THE KILLINGS WERE EITHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND/OR POSSIBLE WITNESSES. THE OPERATION WAS VERY WELL PLANNED BETWEEN 2300 HRS AND 0230 HRS IN FIVE SEPARATE LOCATIONS NORTH-EAST AND EAST OF RUHENGRI. SOME OF THE VICTIMS WERE OF THE MRND PARTY (SAME AS THE PRESIDENT). THE AIM OF THIS MASSACRE WAS VERY MUCH TO DESTABILISE THE DMZ AND THE ELECTORAL PROCESS. THE GOVERNMENT RADIO HAS ACCUSED THE RPF AND EXAGGERATED CONTINUOUSLY THE CASUALTY FIGURES EVEN THOUGH THE HEAD OF MISSION HAS BEEN REPEATEDLY ON THE MEDIA STATING THE REAL SITUATION. SUNDAY 21/11/93, THE DEFENCE FORCES EXPRESSED THE INDIGNATION OF THE MASSACRE AND WARNED THE RPF TO CEASE THEIR EVIL WAYS. THEY STATED THAT THEY WERE BREAKING OFF THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE JOINT COMMISSION FOR THE RECONSTITUTION OF THE FORCES AND GENDARMERY AS PER THE ARUSHA PEACE AGREEMENT BECAUSE OF THIS INCIDENT. THE TALKS HAD BEEN OFF SINCE MID-OCTOBER BUT HEAD OF MISSION HAD BEEN INFLUENCING THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE TO COME BACK TO THE TABLE OVER THE LAST WEEK IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY DELAYS IN THE DEMOBILIZATION CALENDER. HEAD OF MISSION HAS DEMANDED FROM THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE THE PROOF HE HAS OF THE RPF PARTICIPATION IN THE MASSACRE. THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE IS FROM THAT GENERAL AREA AND A MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENTS PARTY. THE INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE FINISHED BY MID-WEEK BUT PROGRESS IS VERY SLOW DUE TO LARGE DISTANCES AND LIMITED RESOURCES.
- C. POLITICAL RALLY. WE RECEIVED INFORMATION ON SATURDAY THAT A POLITICAL RALLY WAS GOING TO END UP IN THE AMAHORO STADIUM ORGANISED BY THE MRND PARTY (THE PRESIDENT'S PARTY) IN ORDER TO CONDEMN THE MASSACRE. THE STADIUM HAS BEEN LENT TO UNAMIR TO HOUSE TWO COMPANIES. THE BELGIQUE CONTINGENT IS IN AT THIS TIME. WE SUCCESSFULLY STOPPED THE RALLY WITH THE HELP OF THE GENDARMERIE. THE MINISTER OF YOUTH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR

THIS INFRASTRUCTURE AND IS OF THE MRND PARTY. HE HAD NOT RESPONDED TO THE AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THE GOVERNMENT TO LEND US THE BUILDING AND CLOSE IT TO ANYTHING ELSE EXCEPT THE ODD NATIONAL FOOTBALL GAME.

- D. BELGIUM CONTINGENT AND FORCE HQ OPENING. THE MEDIA HAVE MADE A LOT OF EFFORT IN QUESTIONING THE LOGIC OF BRINGING IN THE OLD COLONIAL POWER BACK TO KIGALI. WE HAVE FOUGHT THAT AFFAIR WITH AGGRESSIVE RESPONSES IN LINE WITH THE UN NATURE OF THE CONTINGENTS AND NOT THE NATIONAL ASPECTS OF THEIR BACKGROUND. FURTHERMORE, THE FACT THAT THE KIGALI BATTALION IS A COMPOSITE UNIT WITH A LARGE BANGLADESH COMPONENT HAS HELPED. NONE OF THE PROBLEMS EXPECTED AROUND THE BELGIQUE DEPLOYMENT HAVE MATERIALISED. THE MISSION HQ OPENING WAS A GREAT SUCCESS WITH THE PRESIDENT GIVING A RELATIVELY LENGTHY SPEECH TOTALLY SUPPORTING THE MISSION AND ITS AIMS, BUT ALSO ASKING FOR MORE MONITORING IN THE DMZ. HEAD OF MISSION SPEECH STRESSED THE NEED FOR THE POLITICAL PARTIES TO STAND FIRM AND SUPPORT THE PEACE PROCESS.
- E. COMMENT THERE ARE SIGNS THAT LEAD US TO BELIEVE THAT THE MRND PARTY IS NOT FULLY IN STEP WITH THE EXERCISE EVEN THOUGH IT SAYS IT IS. THE RECENT SPLIT OF THE LIBERAL PARTY ALONG ETHNIC LINES, AND THE EVER PRESENT CDR PARTY HUTU HARDLINERS MAKE FOR A LEVEL OF CONCERN THAT WILL REQUIRE PRO-ACTIVE DEFUSING BY UNAMIR IN ORDER TO DEFLATE THE INFLAMMATORY RHETORIC AND EXTENSIVE DISINFORMATION. THE ACTIONS IN THE DMZ REPORTED IN PREVIOUS SITREPS IN THE EASTERN PORTION, COUPLED WITH THE MASSACRE IN THE WESTERN PORTION THIS LAST WEEK, SEEM TO POINT TO A WELL PLANNED EFFORT TO RE-ORIENT UNAMIR EFFORTS AWAY FROM KIGALI, TO CREATING AN ATMOSPHERE THAT MIGHT MAKE THE DONATING COUNTRIES WANT TO SLOW DOWN THE DEPLOYMENT OF THEIR TROOPS, AND TO GENERALLY DELAY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CONDITIONS ESSENTIAL FOR THE BBTG TO GET STARTED IN KIGALI. OUR RESPONSES HAVE BEEN THAT ALL THESE ACTIVITIES HAVE DONE NOTHING MORE THAN ACCELERATE OUR DEPLOYMENT PLAN, INCREASE OUR EFFORTS IN THE DMZ, AND HARDEN OUR RESOLVE TO ESTABLISH THE KIGALI WEAPONS SECURE AREA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE HAVE MADE THAT QUITE CLEAR TO ALL THE POPULATION.

### III. MILITARY

- A. UNOMUR. THE MISSION CONTINUES TO ENHANCE ITS KNOWLEDGE AND FEELING FOR ITS AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY AND THANKS TO AN INCREASE IN VEHICLES, CHECK POINT INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS, IT IS OVERALL BECOMING MUCH MORE EFFECTIVE. THE ARRIVAL OF THE SLOVAK CONTINGENT OF 5 UNMOS AND THE REDISTRIBUTION OF THE BANGLADESH UNMOS HAS PROVIDED MORE PATROL DEPTH. THE QUICK RESPONSE TO THE REQUESTS FOR VERIFICATION OF MOVEMENT OF NRA TROOPS ACROSS THE BORDER TO REENFORCE THE RPF HAVE

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DEFUSED ESCALATING RUMOURS ON THE SUBJECT HERE IN KIGALI. THIS HAS BEEN A PRICELESS ADVANTAGE TO US IN ATTEMPTING TO KEEP THE SITUATION REASONABLY AT HAND. THE RWANDAN CHIEF OF STAFF STILL INSISTS THAT NRA TROOPS (UP TO 2 BATTALIONS) ARE CURRENTLY TRAINING IN RPF TERRITORY AND THAT THEY INFILTRATED IN SMALL GROUPS ACROSS THE NUMEROUS TRACKS ALONG THE BORDER. THE EMINENT DEPLOYMENT OF THE 3 HELICOPTERS AND THE ARRIVAL OF LONG RANGE DAY AND NIGHT OBSERVATION DEVICES WILL GIVE US A MUCH NEEDED LEVEL OF EFFECTIVE COVERAGE IN ORDER TO CONDUCT THESE RAPID RESPONSES TO ALLEGATIONS OF SIGNIFICANT TROOP MOVEMENT AND PROVIDE THE CONTINUOUS OBSERVATION, PARTICULARLY AT NIGHT THAT IS ESSENTIAL TO FIND THESE TROOPS THAT OPERATE IN SMALL GORILLA TYPE GROUPINGS. THE SOON TO ARRIVE AMBULANCE AND MEDICAL STORES WILL REESTABLISH A STRONGER SENSE OF CONFIDENCE IN THE UNMOS TO CONDUCT MORE AGGRESSIVE PATROLS AT NIGHT, IN SECLUDED AREAS AND ON FOOT.

- B. DMZ SECTOR, WITH THE VEHICLE FLEET DOWN TO 3 OR 4 OPERATING VEHICLES DUE TO EXTENSIVE USE ON POOR ROADS AND TRAILS IN ORDER TO MEET THE MINIMUM OF MOST URGENT ESCORT REQUESTS HAS HAMPERED OUR ABILITY TO CONDUCT ANY PATROLLING EVEN DURING THE DAY. THE VIOLENT INCIDENT OF THE NIGHT OF 17/18 NOV 93 HAS KEPT THE BULK OF THE UNMOS TEAMS FULLY OCCUPIED WITH THE INVESTIGATION AND THE CALMING OF THE POPULATION THROUGH MEETINGS AND SHEER PRESENCE. THE TUNISIAN PLATOONS ARE DOING THEIR BEST TO PROVIDE SAFE LOCATIONS BY THEIR PRESENCE AT THEIR BASE CAMPS FOR SOME CIVILIANS THAT HAVE FLED THEIR HOMES( ABOUT 200) BUT THEY ARE EXTENSIVELY LIMITED DUE TO A TOTAL LACK OF AUTONOMY OF DEPLOYMENT AND EMPLOYMENT AS THEY WERE HANDED OVER TO UNAMIR WITH NO EQUIPMENT NOR VEHICLES NOR RADIOS AND ONLY PISTOLS. THE UPCOMING VISIT OF THEIR CHIEF OF STAFF MAY CHANGE THIS DIFFICULT SITUATION. THE DMZ HQ SHOULD BE READY IN BYUMBA BY NEXT WEEK BUT THERE ARE NO FACILITIES FOR THE 15 MEMBER STAFF TO BE ACCOMMODATED AND FED. CAO IS LOOKING INTO THE MATTER IN ORDER TO GIVE MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY TO THE DMZ COMD TO EMPLOY THE STAFF IN EVEN UNMOS RELATED DUTIES AS THE TASKS ARE INCREASING EXPONENTIALLY. WE MUST SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE OUR EFFECTIVE FULL TIME PRESENCE IN THE DMZ IF WE DO NOT WANT A SERIOUS DEGRADATION OF THE SITUATION IN THAT SECTOR. THE OPTION OF AN EARLY DEPLOYMENT OF MORE UNMOS IN THAT AREA, WITH THE AVAILABILITY OF MANY MORE VEHICLES AND RADIOS NOW COULD REINSTILL CONFIDENCE IN THE POPULATION AND REDUCE TENSIONS DRAMATICALLY. THIS NEW SITUATION IN THE DMZ DOES CHANGE THE SCENARIO WE HAD ENVISAGED IN THE TECHNICAL REPORT BUT RAPID RESPONSE TO THIS CHANGING SITUATION WILL PERMIT US TO KEEP THE UPPER HAND.

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- D. KIGALI SECTOR. WE HAVE ESTABLISHED THE KIGALI SECTOR HQ FRIDAY WITH TWO STAFF OFFICERS AND EXPECT BY THE END OF THE WEEK TO BE ABOUT AT 50% STRENGTH. WORK IS ONGOING WITH BOTH PARTIES REGARDING THE DRAFT SOPS FOR THE WEAPON SECURE AREA AND THE INITIAL DEPLOYMENT OF THE BELGIQUE COMPONENT OF THE KIGALI BATTALION. RECCES BY THE STAFF TO FINALISE THE VARIOUS BIVOUACS AND INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE UNITS IN AND AROUND KIGALI IS ONGOING. THE BELGIQUE CONTINGENT HAS NOW 185 PERSONNEL ON THE GROUND (COY PLUS HQ AND LOG ELEMENTS) AND IS SHAKING ITSELF OUT. THEIR EARLY ARRIVAL HAS BEEN WELL PUBLICISED AND HAS HAD A POSITIVE AND SEEMINGLY CALMING EFFECT IN KIGALI. NO OVERT OBJECTIONS HAVE MANIFESTED THEMSELVES AGAINST THEM SINCE THEIR ARRIVAL. WE HAVE NOT FALLEN INTO THE TRAP OF DENUDING THE KIGALI SECTOR OF ITS LIMITED FORCES TO REINFORCE THE DMZ. SUCH A DECISION COULD OPEN A NEW FLANK FOR HOSTILE ACTIVITY AND IT WOULD REDUCE OUR ARGUMENTS IN URGING THE RAPID ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WEAPONS SECURE AREA IN KIGALI IN ORDER TO GET THE BBTG HERE AS FAST AS POSSIBLE.
- E. THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR HAS MADE REPRESENTATIONS TO THE FC THAT THEY SINCERELY HOPE TO HAVE AN ANSWER FROM US ON WHEN WE EXPECT THEIR FORCES TO LEAVE. THEY ARE CONCERNED THAT IF WE CANNOT REPLACE THEM IN SITU BEFORE 18 DEC 93 THEY WOULD HAVE TO CONDUCT A ROTATION OF THEIR TROOPS. FC HAS MADE IT QUITE CLEAR THAT SUCH A ROTATION OR EVEN HINT OF A ROTATION WOULD BE VIEWED VERY PESSIMISTICALLY BY ALL CONCERNED AND CAUSE A SERIOUS EROSION OF OUR CREDIBILITY IN TRYING TO GET THE KIGALI AREA SECURE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOR THE BBTG. THUS THE URGENT DEPLOYMENT OF AT LEAST ONE BANGLADESH COY MUST BE ATTEMPTED IN ORDER TO MEET THAT CRITICAL DATE. THERE MAY BE COMMAND AND CONTROL NUANCES THAT WILL HAVE TO BE IRONED OUT WITH THE BANGLADESH RECCE PARTY AS THE BANGLADESH CONTINGENT MAY NOT WANT ITS COYS UNDER COMMAND OF ANOTHER CONTINGENT COMMANDER (A PRINCIPAL IN NATO). FC BELIEVES WE CAN READILY WORK THROUGH THIS EVENTUALITY.
- F. THIS SECTOR SHOULD HAVE ITS HQ IN THE CITY CENTRE IN THE NEXT WEEK OR SO. THE BATTALION WILL ALSO HAVE A COY IN THE CITY ONCE SUITABLE PLATOON LOCATIONS ARE CONFIRMED.

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G. RPF SECTOR. YOU MAY BE SURPRISED THAT WE MENTION THIS SECTOR AT THIS TIME FOR IT IS NOT SUPPOSED TO COME INTO EFFECT UNTIL THE LATER PART OF PHASE 2. HOWEVER, WE ARE GETTING MORE AND MORE REPORTS THAT CERTAIN FACTIONS, EITHER RELATED TO CERTAIN POLITICAL PARTIES OR SIMPLY USING RPF EXPANSIONISM AS A REASON, ARE ARMING AND TRAINING YOUNG MEN IN AND AROUND THE BURUNDI REFUGEE CAMPS. FURTHERMORE, WE ARE STARTING TO RECEIVE REQUEST FOR ESCORTS FOR FOOD AND AID CONVOYS TO THESE CAMPS IN THE SOUTH. WE HAVE RECEIVED ALL PERTINENT DATA ON THE REFUGEE CAMPS AND ARE TRYING TO FINALLY GET A REASONABLE RECCE PARTY DOWN IN THAT AREA TO BOTH ASSESS THE CURRENT AND POSSIBLE FUTURE SECURITY NEEDS DURING DEMOBILISATION OF THE GENDARMERY SHOULD THE CAMPS STILL BE THERE, AND ALSO TO SHOW THE UN FLAG IN ORDER TO APPEASE THE POPULATIONS INVOLVED. WE CANNOT NEGATE THE FACT THAT THIS NEW FLANK WILL REQUIRE SOME MONITORING THAT WILL AFFECT OUR PLANNED PHASE 2 AND PHASE 3 DEPLOYMENT AND EMPLOYMENT PLANS FOR UNMOS. MILOB GROUP HQ IS MONITORING THIS SECTOR AS OF NOW.

G. FORCE TROOPS. WE ARE ANXIOUSLY AWAITING THE DEPLOYMENT OF MORE STAFF OFFICERS IN ORDER TO REGAIN THE UPPER HAND ON THE OPERATIONAL AND LOGISTIC SITUATIONS. THE BANGLADESH RECCE PARTY IS EXPECTED OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS AND THAT WILL PERMIT US TO HAVE A CLEARER PICTURE OF OUR SUPPORT ELEMENTS DEPLOYMENT AND CAPABILITIES AND ALSO ASSESS WHEN THE KIGALI SECTOR WILL BE SECURE. STAFF MORAL IS STILL VERY LOW DUE TO THE REMUNERATION SYSTEM THAT GUIDES THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE IN COMPARISON TO ALL OF THE OTHER PERSONNEL THAT WORK IN THE HQ. THIS SITUATION IS BEING PERSONALLY MONITORED AND DOCUMENTED BY THE FC. THE LOGISTICS ASPECTS HAVE NOT CHANGED SIGNIFICANTLY SINCE THE LAST REPORT BUT NOW WE NOW HAVE A BUDGET THAT SHOULD MAKE RESOURCES MORE READILY AVAILABLE.

H. LOGISTICS/MEDICAL. THE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE BELGIQUE CONTINGENT FOR USE OF THEIR AIRCRAFT AND MEDICAL TEAMS, AND THE LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR EMERGENCIES HAVE ALLAYED MAJOR MEDICAL CONCERNS. THE ESSENTIAL MEDICAL SUPPLIES ARE STILL URGENTLY REQUIRED. THE RESPONSES TO SITREP 5 LOGISTICS CONCERNS ARE BEING ACTIONED WITH VIGOUR AS WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY CAO STAFF. EFFORTS IN THAT AREA ARE MOST APPRECIATED.

IV. CONCLUSION:

THE SCALE OF ACTIVITY IN PHASE 1 HAS SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED OVER THE LAST WEEK AND IT IS ONLY BY USING EVERY BIT OF HUMAN AND MATERIAL RESOURCES THAT WE ARE ABLE TO HOLD THE LINE. DISINFORMATION IS RAMPANT IN THE SOUTHERN SECTOR. WE HAVE LITTLE INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON ACTIVITIES IN THE RPF SECTOR. WE WILL HAVE TO COMMENCE BALANCING OFF THE REPORTS OF RPF INCREASED ACTIVITIES IN AND NORTH OF THE

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DMZ BY MUCH MORE PRESENCE IN THE DMZ AND BY COMMENCING MONITORING IN THE RPF SECTOR NOW INSTEAD OF AT THE END OF PHASE 2. CONSIDERABLE EFFORT IS BEING EXPENDED TO KEEP BOTH SIDES TALKING IN ORDER TO MEET THE TIMINGS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SEVERAL IMPORTANT ARTICLES OF THE PEACE ACCORD THAT HAVE LONG LEAD TIMES TO IMPLEMENT. THIS EFFORT IS BEING DONE EVEN BEFORE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BBTG UNDER TO LESS THAN FULLY EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP OR SUPPORT OF THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE. SO FAR THE RPF HAVE BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE WHILE CERTAIN MINISTRIES OF THE GOVERNMENT HAVE BEEN OBSTRUCTIONIST. THESE LATER ELEMENTS HAVE ALL BEEN RELATED TO THE MRND PARTY ALTHOUGH THE EXTREME RIGHT WING HUTU CDR PARTY IS KNOWN TO BE IN THE SHADOWS. THE FLOW OF OUR TROOPS AND LOGISTICAL DEPLOYMENT MUST NOT BE SLOWED DOWN. AU CONTRAIRE, WE ARE STATING THAT WE HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN INCREASING THE RHYTHM OF DEPLOYMENT. YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT IS ESSENTIAL IF WE DO NOT WANT TO SEE PHASE 1 STALL AND NOT MEET ITS OBJECTIVES. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BBTG IS NEEDED NOW IF WE EXPECT TO KEEP THE LID ON THIS SITUATION AND PERMIT THE MODERATES TO MAINTAIN THEIR CURRENT POSITION.

V. REGARDS.