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SUBJECT : WEEKLY SITREP No 12, 27 DEC 93 - 03 JAN 94

1. GENERAL SITUATION AND HIGHLIGHTS

THE SITUATION IN THE MISSION AREA IS CALM BUT TENSE AS WE PASSED THE INSTALLATION OF THE BROAD BASED TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT DATE.

BREAKTHROUGH ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BBTG WAS REALIZED THIS MORNING. THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED THE CEREMONY TO BE HELD ON 05 JAN 94. IT IS NOT 100 % CLEAR THAT THIS IS THE FINAL CHAPTER IN THIS AFFAIR. SRSG AND FC TRIED TO BRING THE PARTIES SIT TOGETHER IN ORDER TO UNBLOCK THE SITUATION. THE MDR AND PL PARTIES ARE SERIOUSLY SPLIT. THE HEAD OF STATE IS CONCERNED OF MOVING AHEAD WITH BBTG IN THIS POLITICAL PARTY INTERVAL TURMOIL THAT IS EVOLVING ALONG LINES THAT ARE GENERALLY ETHNIC IN NATURE. IF INSTALLATION OF THE BBTG TAKES PLACE TOMORROW THE FIRST MILESTONE OF THE ARUSHA PEACE AGREEMENT WILL HAVE BEEN REACHED.

UNAMIR PASSED ITS MOST CRITICAL WEEK. THE FIRST UNAMIR OPERATION WAS CONDUCTED ON 28 DEC 93. RPF BATTALION AND VIPs WERE TRANSFERRED FROM MULINDI TO KIGALI CITY UNDER UNAMIR ESCORT. CLEAN CORRIDOR WAS THE NAME OF THIS OPERATION. IT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS. NO INCIDENT OCCURRED AND ALL PARTIES WERE DELIGHTED. UNAMIR FULFILLED TIMELY THE MAIN MILITARY REQUIREMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BBTG.

THIS WEEK WAS ALSO THE FIRST WEEK OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA. THE SOPs ARE APPLICABLE SINCE 241600 DEC 93. TILL NOW WE DID NOT CONCENTRATE ON THE VERIFICATION OF ITS APPLICATION IN ORDER TO GIVE THE RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES TIME TO INSTRUCT THEIR SUBORDINATES AND TO ISSUE CLEAR DIRECTIVES. UNAMIR ENSURED THE KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA SO FAR AND IS READY FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION IN CASE OF VIOLATION. FC IMPLEMENTED THE FIRST OFFENSIVE OPS PLANNING AGAINST ARMED POLITICAL MILITIES AND SUSPICIOUS AREA. NO RESULTS SO FAR.

2. POLITICAL

THE POLITICAL SITUATION REMAINS CALM FOLLOWING THE ARRIVAL OF THE RPF BATTALION AND SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

CONSULTATIONS AMONGST THE POLITICAL PARTIES ON THE SETTING UP OF THE BROAD BASED TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT AND THE TRANSITIONAL NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CONTINUED DURING THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW. HOWEVER, DISAGREEMENT AMONGST THE PARTIES PREVENTED THE INSTALLATION OF THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS BEFORE 31 DEC 93, AS ENVISAGED IN THE KINIHIRA DECLARATION OF 10 DEC 93.

AT MY SUGGESTION, THE PARTIES CONTINUED TO MEET IN AN ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE THEIR DIFFERENCES BEFORE THE SECURITY COUNCIL MEETS ON 05 JAN 94 TO CONSIDER THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S REPORT ON RWANDA. WE HAVE ALSO HELD MEETINGS WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE AND THE CURRENT MINISTER AS WELL AS WITH MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS, IN OUR CONTINUING EFFORTS TO HELP RESOLVE THE IMPASSE.

ON 04 JAN 94, THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT INFORMED ME THAT THE IMPASSE HAD BEEN RESOLVED AND THAT THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF THE NOMINATED MEMBERS OF THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON 05 JAN 94. HOWEVER, THERE ARE STILL ELEMENTS OF UNCERTAINTY IN THE PROCESS BUT WE STAND READY TO FULLY PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCEEDINGS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INVITATION OF THE PARTIES TO THE ARUSHA PEACE AGREEMENT.

3. MILITARY

A. DEPLOYMENT

(1) HQS

BESIDES OPS CLEAN CORRIDOR AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA THE FORCE HQ STAFF MONITORED SEVERAL MEETINGS ON SECURITY MEASURES TO BE ADOPTED DURING THE INSTALLATION CEREMONY FOR THE BBTG. ANOTHER IMPORTANT MEETING WITH UNDP AND UNHCR WAS HELD BY THE PLANNING SECTION ON THE ISSUE OF SECURITY. A REPORT WAS FORWARDED BY SEPARATE FAX. ALSO, HAD FIRST JOINT MILITARY COMMISSION MEETING ON STRUCTURES AND NEW DMZ.

(2) KIGALI SECTOR

SEC KIGALI PREPARED OPS CLEAN CORRIDOR CONSCIENTIOUSLY. THE OPERATION WAS CONDUCTED SMOOTHLY ALL THE FORCES BEING COMMITTED. TWO PLATOONS ARE ENSURING THE SECURITY OF THE LOCATION OF THE RPF BATTALION AND VIPs. THE PRIVATE RESIDENCES OF THE PRIME MINISTER DESIGNATE AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT WILL ALSO BE 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. WILL

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BE FOCUSED ON ENSURING THE KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA AND GATHERING OF INFORMATION REGARDING ARMED POLITICAL MILITIES AND SUSPICIOUS AREA IN ORDER TO PREVENT ESCALATION OF TENSE.

(3) MILOB HQ

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

(4) DMZ SECTOR

DMZ SECTOR IS GRADUALLY GETTING OPERATIONAL IN ITS HQ AREA OF BYUMBA. THE TUNISIAN COY IS STILL MISSING IMPORTANT EQUIPMENT. GHANA RECCE TEAM FINALIZED THE RECCE FOR THE GHANA BATTALION TO BE STATIONED IN THE DMZ AREA AT BYUMBA (BYUBAT).

(5) UNOMUR SECTOR

UNOMUR AREA OF OPERATION IS CALM. BORDER CROSSING ACTIVITY CONTINUING TO BE ON THE INCREASE. AS PER THE UGANDAN GOVERNMENT THE BORDER IS OPENED OFFICIALLY BUT CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS OR NOT YET BEEN GIVEN. FC/CMO WILL RETURN NEXT WEEK TO UGANDA IN ORDER TO SORT OUT THE CROSS BORDER PROBLEM WITH THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE AND COS. DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE RENEWED CROSS BORDER ACTIVITY INTO RPF TERRITORY BY UGANDAN AUTHORITIES YOU ASKED FOR IN YOUR FAX MSC 2534 DATED 29 DEC 93 WILL BE FORWARDED AFTER FC RETURN.

(6) FORCE LOG, MED AND ENGINEERS ELEMENTS

LARGE ADVANCE PARTIES HAVE ARRIVED IN THE MISSION AREA SINCE THE BEGINNING OF DEC 93. AS LONG AS NO EQUIPMENTS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY BANGLADESH THIS PERSONNEL WILL BE TASKED AS INFANTRY.

B. UNAMIR FORCE STRENGTH

NO CHANGES IN PERSONNEL STRENGTH SINCE LAST WEEKLY SITREP. DETAILED INFORMATION AS PER 030800 JAN 94 IS ATTACHED HEREBY.

C. MEDICAL AND HEALTH STATE

THE UNAMIR FIELD HOSPITAL BEING INAUGURATED IN THE KING FAYCAL HOSPITAL AT KIGALI STAFFING IS STILL

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ONGOING ON THE ISSUE OF MEDICAL SUPPORT TO LOCAL POPULATION AND ON TASK SHARING BETWEEN UNAMIR AND HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT. MEDICAL SUPPLIES ARE MISSING. THE PAST WEEK 40 UNAMIR PERSONNEL AND 15 LOCAL PEOPLE HAVE RECEIVED OUTDOOR TREATMENT. 10 ADMISSION IN HOSPITAL FOR DISEASE. REPATRIATION OF MR. STEVELINCK, SECURITY OFFICER UNAMIR, TO BELGIUM TOOK PLACE ON 30 DEC 93.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

THE LOGISTICAL ENVIRONMENT IS STILL FAR FROM IDEAL IN ORDER TO CONDUCT THE OPERATIONS EFFECTIVELY. WE ARE BARELY AT THE MINIMUM VIABLE LEVEL. SHORTAGE OF TRANSPORT AND SERIOUS LACK OF COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT/RADIOS IS THE MAIN PROBLEM.

5. CONCLUSION

THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENT FOR UNAMIR WAS CONDUCTED IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF INCREASING TENSION. WE PASSED AN IMPORTANT DEADLINE. UNAMIR'S HIGH PRESSURE AND CONTINUOUS DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY SUCCEEDED FINALLY IN A BREAKTHROUGH REGARDING THE INSTALLATION OF THE BROAD BASED TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT HOPEFULLY TO BE INSTALLED TOMORROW 05 JAN 94. PHASE 1 IS ACHIEVED ALMOST IN TIME AND WE ARE READY FOR PHASE 2, DISENGAGEMENT AND DEMOBILIZATION.

6. REGARDS

UNAMIR  
WEEKLY MILITARY COMPONENT PERSONNEL STATE

DATE: CORRECTED UP TO  
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SRL NO	COUNTRY	TROOPS										LIMOS	GRAND TOTAL	
		INF BN	LOG COY	ENG COY	MED COY	MOVCON PLT	MP SECT	DMZ COY(L)	SUB TOTAL	STAFF	TOTAL			
1	ARGENTINA													
2	AUSTRIA											5	5	
3	BANGLADESH	265	83	85	27	20	5		485	28	513	51	564	
4	BELGIUM	409							409	15	424		424	
5	BOTSWANA											9	9	
6	BRAZIL	3							3		3	10	13	
7	CANADA									1	1	1	2	
8	CONGO											25	25	
9	ECUADOR													
10	EGYPT													
11	FIJI											1	1	
12	GHANA									14	14	23	37	
13	HUNGARY											4	4	
14	MALI											10	10	
15	NETHERLANDS											10	10	
16	NIGERIA													
17	PAKISTAN													
18	POLAND											5	5	
19	RUSSIA													
20	SENEGAL											39	39	
21	SLOVAKIA											5	5	
22	TANZANIA													
23	TOGO											15	15	
24	TUNISIA							60	60	1	61		61	
25	URUGUAY											21	21	
26	ZIMBABWE											10	10	
GRAND TOTAL		677	83	85	27	20	5	60	957	59	1016	244	1260	

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