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TO : ANNAN, UNATIONS, NEW YORK  
FROM : DALLAIRE, UNAMIR, KIGALI, RWANDA  
DATE : 14 DEC 93  
SUBJECT : WEEKLY SITREP NO 9, 08 DEC 93 - 14 DEC 93

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1 GENERAL SITUATION AND HIGHLIGHTS

THE SITUATION IN THE MISSION AREA IS QUITE CALM. EXCEPT ONE MURDER INCIDENT, AS PER DAILY SITREP COVERING PERIOD 11/12 DEC 93, NO MAJOR INCIDENT OCCURRED DURING THIS PERIOD.

2 MILITARY

A. DEPLOYMENT

(1) HQS

ALL THE HQS ARE OPERATIONAL AS FAR AS MANPOWER IS CONCERNED. ADDITIONAL OFFICE EQUIPMENTS, FURNITURE, COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENTS AND MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION ARE NEEDED URGENTLY.

(2) KIGALI SECTOR

BELGIUM BATTALION (KIBAT) IS ALMOST WITH 80% ON GROUND WITH MEN BUT MATERIAL STILL COMING IN WITH VEHICLES AND CONTAINERS THE PRIORITY. BANGLADESH BATTALION (RUTBAT) IS 56% ON GROUND WITH MEN ONLY. DUE TO SHORTAGE OF TRANSPORT RUTBAT WILL HAVE LESS MOBILITY AND REDUCED EFFECTIVENESS. SECTOR HQ YET TO BE ESTABLISHED IN NEW LOCATION IN CITY CENTER.

(3) MILOB HQ

15 NEW OBSERVERS JOINED THE MISSION (5 FROM AUSTRIA AND 10 FROM URUGUAY). THEY WERE TO BE DEPLOYED IN THE DMZ SECTOR BUT THE TASK OF UNMOs FOR THE KIGALI SECTOR AND THE URGENCY OF ESTABLISHING THE BBTG BEFORE THE NEW YEAR HAS CALLED FOR A REDEPLOYMENT OF UNMOs AWAY FROM THE DMZ (WITH THE INHERENT RISKS) AND INTO KIGALI.

(4) DMZ SECTOR

THIS SECTOR STILL HAS NOT ENTERED ITS NEW HQ IN BYUMBA DUE TO LACK OF COMMUNICATIONS. THE TUNISIAN COY(-) IS STILL WITHOUT ANY OPERATIONAL EQUIPMENT OR RIFLES AND ONLY ONE VEHICLE PER PLATOON FOR MEDICAL EVACUATION. WE HAVE HAD LITTLE TO NO PATROLS DUE TO LACK OF VEHICLES AND RADIOS THAT ARE STILL NOT DEPLOYED. INVESTIGATIONS OF THE MUTURA MASSACRES IS ON-

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GOING AS IS THE BOARD OF INQUIRY ON THE DMZ MASSACRE ALTHOUGH IT IS STALLED AWAITING THE NAMES OF THE TWO GOVERNMENT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

(5) UNOMUR SECTOR LOG00121

THE RESTRICTIONS ON MOVEMENT OF UNOMUR PATROLS REPORTED IN THE PREVIOUS WEEKLY SITREP SEEM SOLVED. THE RELATIONS WITH THE NRA ARE LUKE WARM. NRA REMAINS HIGHLY SENSITIVE TO THE SUGGESTED CROSS BORDER RUNS TO RWANDA AND BACK. THE PATROLS CONTINUE TO REVEAL ACTIVITY ALONG THE BORDER BUT LITTLE TO NO TANGIBLE EVIDENCE IS AVAILABLE.

(6) FORCE LOG, MED AND ENGINEERS ELEMENTS

ONLY ADVANCE PARTIES OF FORCE ENGINEERS, LOG AND MED ELEMENTS HAVE ARRIVED AT KIGALI TILL NOW. THEY WERE SUBSTANTIALLY LARGER THAN REQUESTED. FC SENT BULK OF ENGR AND LOG PERS INTO RUTBAT AS INFANTRY UNTIL RUTBAT COMPLEMENT IS ON THE GROUND AND THE ENGR AND LOG EQUIPMENT ARRIVES.

B. UNAMIR FORCE STRENGTH

THE FORCE STRENGTH AS OF 14 DEC 93 IS:

- BANGLADESH CONTINGENT - 226
- BELGIUM CONTINGENT - 398
- TUNISIAN CONTINGENT - 59
- LOG COY - 83
- ENGR COY - 85
- MED COY - 26
- MOV CON - 20
- STAFFS - 53
- UNAMIR OBSERVERS - 88
- UNOMUR OBSERVERS - 78
- TOTAL - 1165 (SEE ATTACHED CHART)
- LEAVE - 19

C. MEDICAL AND HEALTH STATE

THERE IS NO SERIOUS CONCERN ABOUT THE GENERAL HEALTH STATE OF MILITARY COMPONENT. DEDICATED FIELD HOSPITAL WILL BE ESTABLISHED AND PROCEDURES FOR MEDEVAC BEING FINALIZED.

3. POLITICAL

A. EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS HAVE TAKEN PLACE AND ARE CONTINUING ON ESTABLISHMENT OF KIGALI WEAPON SECURE AREA BETWEEN THE UNAMIR AND THE PARTIES CONCERNED. OPTIONS AND COUNTER OPTIONS ARE BEING FLOATED BY BOTH RPF AND RGF SIDES ON POSSIBLE LOCATION OF RPF BATTALION AND THEIR POLITICAL GROUPS IN KIGALI. AN UNDERSTANDING IS EXPECTED SOON.

B. DIPLOMATIC CORPS AND NGOs WERE BRIEFED BY FC ON SECURITY SITUATION IN KIGALI AND ON THE PROCEDURE OF ESTABLISHMENT OF WEAPON SECURE AREA. A MORE TECHNICAL BRIEFING IS BEING ARRANGED FOR ALL UN AGENCIES AND NGOs FRIDAY. THIS IS PRIMARILY TO INSTALL CONFIDENCE IN UNAMIR.

C. THE MAIN EVENT OF THE WEEK WAS THE MEETING BETWEEN THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE RWANDESE GOVERNMENT AND THE RPF IN KINIHIRA ON 10 DEC 93 (75 KM NORTH OF KIGALI) UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE SRSG. AFTER FIVE HOURS OF DISCUSSIONS THE PARTIES HAVE ADOPTED A JOINT STATEMENT TO REAFFIRM THEIR READINESS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS AS OUTLINED IN THE ARUSHA PEACE AGREEMENT. THE BBTG SHOULD BE IN PLACE BY 31 DEC 93.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. FC IS CONCERNED THAT FORCE RESERVE HAS NO TRANSPORT, NO APC OR NO HELICOPTERS FOR QUICK DEPLOYMENT IF SITUATION FORCES IT TO BE DEPLOYED AT SHORT NOTICE.

B. COMMUNICATIONS ABOVE UNIT LEVEL HAVE NOT YET BEEN INSTALLED. UNMOs HAVE NEXT TO NO COMMUNICATIONS.

C. ONLY KIBAT AND A FEW UNMOs HAVE FLAK JACKETS. MOST TROOPS HAVE NO FLAK JACKETS AT ALL.

D. FEEDING AND WATER FOR RUTBAT BEING SOLVED.

E. LACK OF BIVOAC STORES BY KIBAT IS CAUSING ACCOMMODATION AND STORAGE DIFFICULTIES SINCE THEY WERE MOVED OUT OF THE STADIUM TO MAKE ROOM FOR RUTBAT.

5. CONCLUSION:

THE MILITANT ACTIVITY TO DESTABILIZE THE ACTIVITY IN PHASE ONE HAS APPEASED SIGNIFICANTLY. UNAMIR CONTINUES TO DEMONSTRATE THAT IT IS GROWING IN STRENGTH AND EFFECTIVENESS. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTIC BUILD UP SHOULD PROGRESS QUICKLY IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY ACHIEVE PHASE ONE OBJECTIVES. APC AND HELOS, OTHER TRANSPORT FOR UNMOs AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT REMAIN THE ACHILLES HEEL OF THE OPERATION. THE REDUCTION OF UNMOs OUT OF THE DMZ IN FAVOR OF KIGALI SECTOR DUE TO OVERALL LACK OF UNMOs IS A SIGNIFICANT RISK BUT BASED ON ESSENTIALITY OF GETTING BBTG IN PLACE SOONEST AND BASED ON THREAT ASSESSMENT THAT PREDICTS NEXT SUBVERSIVE ACTION WILL BE IN OR AROUND KIGALI. THE RISK IS DEEMED ACCEPTABLE. SHOULD SIGNIFICANT UNEXPECTED SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY COMMENCE, UNAMIR REACTION TO CONTAIN SITUATION IS VERY, VERY LIMITED UNTIL APCs AND/OR HELOS AND/OR TRUCKS ARE DEPLOYED.

6. REGARDS:

DATE : CORRECTED UP TO 14 DEC 93

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UNAMIR  
WEEKLY MILITARY COMPONENT PERSONNEL STATE

SRL NO	COUNTRY	TROOPS											UNMOS	GRAND TOTAL		
		INF BN	LOG COY	ENG COY	MED COY	MOVCON PLT	MP SECT	DMZ COY(s)	SUB TOTAL	STAFF	TOTAL					
1	ARGENTINA															
2	AUSTRIA													5	5	
3	BANGLADESH	266	83	85	26	20	5					485	28	513	32	545
4	BELGIUM	398										398	15	413		413
5	BOTSWANA													9	9	
6	BRAZIL	5								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												2	2		2
13	HUNGARY														4	4
14	MALI															
15	NETHERLANDS														10	10
16	NIGERIA															
17	PAKISTAN															
18	POLAND												5	5		5
19	RUSSIA															
20	SENEGAL														39	39
21	SLOVAKIA														5	5
22	TANZANIA															
23	TOGO															
24	TUNISIA												1	60		60
25	URUGUAY												1	1	16	17
26	ZIMBARWE														10	10
	GRAND TOTAL	667	83	85	26	20	5	59	245	53	998	167				1165

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