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FROM: UNAMIR, KIGALI.

SITREP COVERING PERIOD 090600B APR TO 100900B APR 94.

GEN_SITUATION: CHAOTIC. RPF FORCES ENGAGED PRESIDENTIAL GUARDS IN ORDER TO ASSIST THE LOYAL FORCES AND TO STOP THE ASSASSINATIONS AND MASSIVE KILLING IN AND AROUND KIGALI, FORCE COMD TRIED TO NEGOTIATE A CEASE FIRE BUT DID NOT SUCCEEDED SO US EMBASSY STARTED THE EXPATRIATION OF US/CANADIAN EXPATRIATES WITH ESCORTS PROVIDED BY UNAMIR WHENEVER REQUESTED. ALSO ARRIVED IN THE MISSION AREA FRENCH TROOPS OF A BATTALION STRENGTH. THEY TOOK OVER THE CONTROL OF THE KIGALI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. ONLY FRENCH AIRCRAFTS ARE ALLOWED TO LAND. THEY RESCUED 50 FAR ABOUT 50 FRENCH CITIZENS AND ALSO 12 MEMBERS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL FAMILY. FOR THIS THEY USED VEHICLES OF THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD. THEY INTEND TO DEPLOY THEIR BATTALION IN THE WEST PART OF THE TOWN WHICH IS CONTROLLED BY RGF. AT THIS MOMENT 101100 APR 94, THE EXPATRIATION OF THE US/CANADIAN CITIZENS AND OF UN PERSONNEL (UNICEF/UNDP). NO PROBLEMS OCCURRED SO FAR. ALSO THE COLLECTION OF UN PERSONNEL STARTED TO ASSEMBLY POINTS FOR PROTECTION AND POSSIBLE EVACUATION IN PROGRESS. OPERATION IS BEING CONDUCTED IN A HOSTILE ATMOSPHERE. RPF FORCES ARE UN FRIENDLY BUT ARE ALERT REGARDING THE PASSENGERS. THEY STARTED CHECK-POINTS ACTIVITY AND CONTROL THE VEHICLES. A FIRST INCIDENT JUST HAPPENED IN FRONT OF THE CND COMPOUND. A VEHICLE WAS AMBUSHED BY RPF. THE RPF CLAIMED THE VEHICLE WAS A BLUE BUS WITHOUT A RED CROSS MARKING. RPF FURTHER CLAIMED A SEARCH ON THAOSE THAT SURVIVED REVEALED THAT THEY WERE ALL RGF SOLDIERS. INVESTIGATION IS ONGOING. AT THIS MOMENT 101130 APR 94 RPF TROOPS REACHED THE OUTSKIRTS OF KIGALI CITY AND THE JUNCTION WITH THEIR BATTALION AT CND COMPOUND WILL BE EFFECTIVE SOON. ALSO THEY INFORMED TO AGREE WITH A CEASE FIRE IN KIGALI.

.2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES, STALLED.

3, FACTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. RGF. RGF POSITION SOUTH OF THE DMZ ARE PENETRATED BY RPF. NO FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE SINCE THE UNMOS HAVE LOST CONTACT WITH THE UNITS.
- B. RPF. RPF CONTROLS THE VICINITY OF CND, THE MERIDIEN ROUND ABOUT AND THE AMAHORO VICINITY. ALSO THREE HUNDRED METERS FROM AMAHORO COMPLEX TOWARDS AIRPORT. THE JUNCTION WITH RPF UNITS OF THE NORTH IS YET TO BE EFFECTIVE.
- C: OTHERS NIR.

4. OWN MILITARY ACTIVITIES

A. FORCE HQ. ALL STAFFS ARE AVAILABLE. STAFF MEETING IS ORGANIZED DAILY AT 08.00 HRS AND 18.00 HRS IN ORDER TO ASSESS THE SITUATION. OPERATIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES ARE VERY DIFFICULT DUE TO TOTAL BREAKDOWN OF THE LOCAL TELEPHONE NETWORK. CHANNELS ON OUR RADIO NETWORK ARE SATURATED AND

VEHICLE MOVEMENT IS LIMITED OWING TO FIRING IN THE CITY.

- B. UNOMUR. NTR.
- C. DME. RPF LAUNCHED THE ADVANCE TOWARDS SOUTH (KIGALI). SO PAR NO DMZ TROOPS HAVE MET DIFFICULTIES DUE TO THIS. THE MAIN PROBLEM IS THE LOGISTIC SUPPLY OF THIS SECTOR WHICH HAS BEEN CUT OFF FROM KIGALI.

D. SEC KIGALI

IS FULLY ENGAGED IN MONITORING AND ESCORTING.

- E. MILOB. MILOB HQ IS CO-LOCATED WITH THE FORCE HQ AND MILOBS ARE PRINCIPALLY CARRYING OUT LIAISON AND STAFF DUTIES.
 - (1) RPF SECTOR RPF SOURCES AT MULINDI HAVE INFORMED THAT THE RPF ACTIVITY AT KIGALI IS DESIGNED TO TIE DOWN THE RGF AT KIGALI AND TO FACILITATE THE MOVEMENT FROM THE NORTH. INTERNATIONAL PRESS REPRESENTATIVES ARE STILL WITH THE RPF HQ AT MULINDI. SEC COMD LIAISED WITH UNOMUR FOR POSSIBLE WITHDRAW THROUGH UGANDA.
 - (2) RGF SECTOR THE SITUATION IN RUHENGERI IS CALM. KILLINGS OF TUTSI HAPPENED AT KIBUNGO. ABOUT 5.000 DISPLACED PERSONS HAVE GATHERED AT NKUMBA.
 - (3) SOUTH SECTOR AT BUTARE SEVERAL CONVOYS BELONGING TO RED CROSS, UNDP AND US EMBASSY PASSED AT BUTARE AND WERE ESCORTED TO BURUNDI BY UNAMIR. ONE CONVOY WAS FIRED AT IN GITARAMA. TWO CHILDREN AND ONE WOMAN WERE SLIGHTLY INJURED BY BROKEN GLASSES.
- 5. UNCIVPOL. ALL CIVPOL ARE EVAUATED TO UNAMIR HQ.
- 6. <u>HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES</u>. NTR.
- 7. CIVIL AFFAIRS. NTR.
- 8. LOGISTICS. FOOD AND WATER RESOURCES ARE BEING TRANSPORTED FROM VARIOUS PLACES IN KIGALI TO A UNAMIR CONTROLLED PLACE (AMAHORO).
- 9. MISC. PLEASE FIND ENCLOSED THE FORCE HQ LOGBOOK (LIMITED TO THE MOST IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES/INCIDENTS).

SL NR	DTG	MESSAGE
1	090800	From KO - RPF preparing a Def Posn around AMAHORO stadium.
2	090820	KHI - A Belgian family was attacked yesterday at KIGALI city. The parents are killed and the injured child is not found.
3	090900	The AMAHORO stadium (RUTBAT quarter) is overcrowded. About 3,000 locals took shelter.
4	090915	From Belgian Embassy - Belgian minister of foreign affairs is co-ordinating with the secretary general regarding escorts for the ambassadors of Belgium, France, Germany and US in order to allow them to move in KIGALI.
5	090941	RPF is attacking from the NORTH on THRRE fronts: (1) MIYOVE-KIGALI; (2) MUVUMBA-KIGALI; (3) NKUMBA- RUHENGERI.
6	090945	US starts expatriation. Assembly Points are: American International School, The residence of the US ambassador and the American Club.
7	091025	Senior political and military leaders are going to Hotel Diplomate. They brought electronic equipment with them. Seems that they are using the hotel as alternate HQ. The Chief of the Gendarmerie was also seen.
8	091240	From DMZ Sec - There is continues firing going on between RGF and RPF at NGATARE.
9	091255	1,500 refugees took shelter at Don Bosco (KIBAT Coy compound). If KIBAT leaves this place they will all be killed.
10	091450	Two RPF Bn are now in MIMULI. One of them with heavy weapons.
11	091455	The road Hotel MERIDIEN-AMAHORO is insecure due to heavy cross firing.
12	091500	40/50 locals were killed in the GIKONDO church.
13	091515	Log Coy to prepare 5 trucks with water for Force HQ.
14	091520	A Canadian family has been rescued by KIBAT (Don Bosco).

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15	091630	FC completed discussion with the new President and the Chief of Staff of the Gendarmerie. Now he is proceeding towards the French Embassy.
16	091640	There are three road blocks out of which 02 manned by RGF, 02 manned by Gendarmerie and 01 manned by civilians on the road between Log Coy and Force HQ.
17	091645	Total 10 UN personnel left Hotel Diplomate with FC.
18	091720	Personnel from Hotel Diplomate reached at RUTBAT.
19	091725	The US expatriates have reached Butare at 1720.
20	091730	01 x APC of RUTBAT has become U/S, due to engine overheating and wheel jamming.
21	091733	The Tunisian Coy has withdrawn from CND and positioned one Sec at King Faisal Hospital and one Sec at Hotel Meridien.
22	091735	25 local persons with bullet injury have been treated by RUTBAT medical team.
23	091740	RPF leadership has confirmed that they will not react on the landing of aircraft.
24	091745	05 trucks have arrived at RUTBAT from Log Coy escorted by the APC of RUTBAT.
25	091820	Received the SITREP from RUTBAT. Shelling and firing is still ON. RPF placed road block at Remera and near hotel Chez Lando. RGF placed road block at the road junction of airport road and the road which leads to Log Coy. RPF is strengthening the defence by digging, as they are expecting attack from Airport side. There was a road block by the civilians on the way to Log Coy. They seem to be devised into two groups, one group was willing to allow the APC to continue towards the Log Coy and the other group wanted to deny passes of the APC. 10 persons from Hotel Diplomate and 19 persons of Move Con have been evacuated. 3 APC out of 8 are yet operational and there are no spare parts nor mechanics available in the mission area. Number of refugees increased up to 3,000. There is no supply of water and creating hygiene problem. RUTBAT ration store is almost empty.

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26	091930	Received the SITREP from DMZ sector. It is reported that RPF is advancing through DMZ on three fronts. Eastern front NYAGATARE-MUVUMBA-BWISIGE. Central front, MYOVE-KISHARO. Western front, GAHUNGA-NKUMBA. Heavy exchange of shelling, MG and small arms fire in between RPF and RGF in areas of GASHENYI (B2547), RUKOMO (B3051), RURENGE (B3252) and BWEYA (B2964). The road NYAGATARE-NGARAMA is not passable. Two RPF Bn occupied MIMULI and may resume further advance. Two RPF bns advancing through BWISIGE with one platoon dug in at grid B1726. One bn (+) deployed in area MYOVE-KISARO. RPF are using 6 X civil pattern vehicles for ptls in that area.
27	091945	RPF have established road block to check all vehiles/traffic in order to control them. The road blocks are located near the gate no 2 of CND in both direction.
28	092110	RGF created road block in the runway of Kigali Airport.
29	092340	03 x C-130 aircraft landed at Kigali Airport with French military personnel and equipment.