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- 12 APR 94 WAS A REASONABLE SUCCESSFUL DAY FOR THE RPF. THE GOVERNMENT HAS PACKED IN AND LEFT KIGALI TOWARDS SOUTH. RPF TROOPS FROM THE NORTH ENTERED KIGALI FROM ALL DIRECTIONS, ALSO FROM THE SOUTH. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THEIR OBJECTIVE IS TO CUT OFF THE AIRPORT FROM THE CITY.
- FC NEGOTIATED SEPARATE AGREEMENTS WITH RGF AND RPF REGARDING A 48 HRS TRUCE IN ORDER TO ALLOW SAFE PASSAGE OF THE EXPATRIATE CONVOYS. THE REALIZATION OF THIS AGREEMENTS IN THE TERRAIN WILL BE VERY, VERY DIFFICULT.
- UNAMIR CASUALTIES: ON 121500 APR 94 AN ARTY SHELL EXPLODED BESIDE UNAMIR VEHICLE 1015 WHICH WAS ON HIS WAY TO KIGALI SEC HQ. THE VEHICLE ROLLED TWICE. THE DRIVER, MAJ SOUVORON FROM RUSSIA, HAD A MINOR INJURY OUT OF THIS ACCIDENT. SO FAR THIS IS THE ONLY UNAMIR CASUALTY FOR THIS DAY.
- AS REQUESTED BY FC, FORCE HQ STAFF PERFORMS A STAFF CHECK FOR THE MOVE OF BYUBAT FROM DMZ TO KIGALI.
- PLEASE FIND ENCLOSED THE UNAMIR FORCE HQ LOGBOOK.
- REGARDS.

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1	111840	Situation at the airport may become worse between Belgian soldiers and the RGF. Because RGF are saying that Belgian are helping Tutsis to evacuate. RGF are getting very aggressive.
2	111850	No joint command has been established at the airport. The Belgian Bde Comd is in the Belgian Embassy, Kigali Sector Comd is with the French Comd at the airport. Report from FLO-2 that though the Belgian Bde Comd is not in the airport but that his staff is co-located with the French Comd.
3	111905	Belgian Bde Comd has just arrived with Belgian expatriates. Relation between RGF and Belgian is improving.
4	111950	Belgian troops are not evacuating Tutsis. Belgian troops have evacuated 550 expatriate.
5	112010	PC has left Hotel Diplomate for Force HQ.
6	112010	<p>Received summary of activities from DMZ: <span style="float: right;">100 5997</span></p> <p>a. <u>Personnel Evacuated</u></p> <p>(1) Force Engr Coy - 77 (Yet to be evacuated 121). Evacuated to Kigali.</p> <p>(2) BYUBAT - 288 (Yet to be evacuated -261). Evacuated to NKUMBA.</p> <p>b. <u>Yet to be Evacuated</u></p> <p>(1) MILOB Teams.</p> <p>(2) DMZ Sector HQ</p> <p>c. <u>Traffic Accident</u> Two vehs of Force Engr Coy involves in accident resulting in 5 injuries. Casualties treated at King Faisal Hospital.</p> <p>d. BYUBAT to complete evacuation by evening tomorrow.</p> <p>e. Sector HQ to be evacuated by evening tomorrow.</p> <p>f. Request RPF contacted to give enough time to enable complete evacuation of UN Forces.</p> <p>g. Clearance should also be sought from MULINDI from barriers to be opened during their evacuation.</p>
7	112030	Sqn Ldr ANIS of Team 501, MILOB of RPF Sector, MR PRAX, ASP MUJIBUR and ASP SHARIF of CIVPOL from RUHENGARI left RWANDA and reached KABALE (UNOMCR) in UGANDA.

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8	120630	RGF will not fire upon expatriate convoys.
9	120650	The 1st convoy of the day is expected to move at 0700 hrs.
10	120707	Element of Engrs Coy to move at 08.00 hrs to Kigali. The vehicles that proceeded from North West to Byumba was caught up in cross fire. Apparently gave back to coy location. Until the situation clarifies in the road Nkumba - Byumba movement will be delayed.
11	120800	RPF has intercepted from the radio conversation of RGF that RGF soldiers are instructed to shoot at any Belgian AC landing or taking off at KANOMBE airport.
12	120817	Left over elm of Force Engr Coy instr 123 pers preparing to move to KIGALI shortly convoy of vehs have been held up at KISARO moving towards BYUMBA due to factional cross fire. As soon as convoy reaches BYUBAT strength 123 pers will move to NKUMBA. Finally DMZ Sec HQ will evac and move to MULINDI.
13	120830	Last elms of Force Engrs Coy have left for Kigali now.
14	120830	Arty shell landed inside the AMAHARO Stadium. No casualties reported.
15	120900	Arty shelling is going on around King Faisal Hospital. Shelling is also going on around Kigali Sector HQ.
16	120900	a. 1 surgical team with 4 pallets of medicine and eqpt have arrived at the airport. 3 more med teams are expected with 24 ton of medicine. They should be sent to King Faisal Hospital. Today we are also expecting 10 ton of water.  b. 50 expatriates at RWAMAGANA are awaiting to be Evac. Kigali sector to arrange evac immediately.  c. 150 Africans are at MERIDIEN. C3 is checking their identity. Once cleared they can be sent to the airport.
17	120920	One shell landed inside Amahoro Stadium.
18	120925	Three refugees injured by this shell.
19	120930	Please inform Maj Beardsley that some doctors with medicine and equipment ready to move from airport.
20	120935	Please inform Mustache that one convoy is coming to airport. Once they reach the airport they will escort the medical team.
21	120942	Belgian commander at Airport ready to meet the Force Commander.

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22	120945	After reaching the Force Engr Coy at Kigali, the veh convoy will be sent to BYUMBA for evac to NKUMBA.
23	120955	K-9 is moving to airport to meet French & Belgian commanders. F-9 advise K-9 to do his part of negotiating.
24	121030	Sporadic Arty shelling going on since morning at CND and all around.
25	121045	DMZ Sitrep (.) Firing started at 0530. Initially 3-5 KM East of BYUMBA and later on from the North by Mor and Arty. Mor shelling is getting close to BYUMBA and rate is reaching to intense. Place should be evac soon.
26	121100	RGF escort requested by KSHQ. Supposed to escort convoy to GITARAMA and another to RWAMAGANA and to AKAGERA. Convoy already gone to RWAMAGANA. Escort should go to RWAMAGANA to escort the convoy and back.
27	121103	One ILLUSION AC arrived at airport with 30 ton of stores. Request arrange to unload. Pilot wanted to know if he will carry any expatriate.
28	121118	Generator fact exhausted gen stopped.
29	121120	Engr Coy convoy stopped 20 miles short of Kigali. RGF letting them go but lot of cross fire along the road.
30	121125	Convoy held up at RWAMAGANA by RGF.
31	121205	Asked cfm regarding escorting UNICEF para 70 UGANDA border and by RPF.
32	121210	Convoy of Engr Coy have reached Rwandax complex.
33	121230	Requested clearance for 14 UN vehicles which will proceed to BYUMBA for Force HQ.
34	121230	F-9A has talked to the RGF and Gendarmerie authority regarding the convoy which was stopped at Rwamagana.
35	121235	Burial of 28 local civ have been completed at 1230 hrs from King Faisal Hospital.
36	121240	POL of RUTBAT have been exhausted.
37	121245	Requested KSHQ and Log Coy to send the following report if we have to withdraw: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Any adjustment of the position from the present deployment.</li> <li>b. Any adjustment of the Dumping of POL and other logistic items.</li> <li>c. Prepare a list of the non essential personnel.</li> <li>d. Prepare a list of important personnel required till the last.</li> </ul>

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38	121305	RGF has given clearance for the convoy to proceed to BYUMBA but requested to note that a lot of firing activity is ongoing on this road.
39	121315	15 expatriate from Zaire, Russia and other countries are waiting in Hotel Mille Collines.
40	121325	Move Con personnel are proceeding to the airport.
41	121330	The UN aircraft is leaving Kigali with 84 pers including the Engr Coy patient (W/O MOTTALB, Sgt MOKSUD and L/CPL SALIM injured during the wheel loader accident on 111345 Apr 84).
42	121345	4 Sisters from Kanombe girl school are evacuated and left Kigali.
43	121400	While returning from airport after collecting of water and others items the convoy of Log Coy consisting 1 x Jeep, 2 x Pickup, 1 x Amb, 2 x Bus, 8 x Trucks experienced a cross fire between RGF and RPF. At that time a RGF truck got inside the convoy for its own security but it was observed by RPF from 50 yds distance. While the RGF truck came nearer to RPF they opened fire with their auto GF Rifle and could partially damage the RGF truck with few cews and could reached to Log Coy loc. During this cross fire 2 busses and 2 trucks from UNAMIR got several bullet hit. But no casualties from UNAMIR side. Only one tire of each bus and one tire of one truck were puncture.
44	121500	DMZ Sec HQ closing down the station and ready to move. After reaching NKUMBA will try to establish communication.
45	121600	Request send a Gendarmerie escort to Rwagana to bring back the convoy, which was stopped at that place.
46	121615	The last element of UNAMIR has left for NKUMBA from BYUMBA. Presently they are 5 KM away from BYUMBA. Expected time of arrival at NKUMBA is 1930 hrs. During this move D-9 will be in channel 11.
47	121625	Major SOUVORON (Russia) on his way to Hotel Meridien from Amahoro Stadium when crossed Hotel Schez Lando an Arty Shell exploded beside his jeep no UNAMIR-1015. The jeep rolled twice and the officer could come to Force HQ with minor injury with the help of RPF.
48	121900	End