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SUBJECT: CEASEFIRE CONTINUES TO HOLD

REF: A) KIGALI 4864; B) KAMPALA 6522; C) KAMPALA

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- 1. CONFICENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. SUMMARY: THE GOR/RPF CEASEFIRE CONTINUES TO HOLD. THE NMOG FEARS THAT A BREAKDOWN IN THE ARUSHA CONFIDENTIAL

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KIGALI 04870 251503Z PAGE 02 NEGOTIATIONS COULD THREATEN THE CEASEFIRE. NMOG THINKS THAT THE GOR WOULD BE THE FIRST TO SHOOT IF FIGHTING BREAKS OUT AGAIN, AND IS UNHAPPY WITH FRENCH MILITARY ACTIVITIES AT THE FRONT. END SUMMARY.

3. EMBOFF MET WITH LT. COL IHEKIRE, CHIEF OF OPERATIONS OF THE NEUTRAL MILITARY OBSERVER GROUP, ON NOV. 26. IHEKIRE, AWARE OF THE BREAKDOWN IN NEGOTIATIONS IN ARUSHA (REF A), EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THIS CREATED THE POSSIBILITY OF RENEWED FIGHTING. UNCLASSIFIED

- 4. IHEKIRE STATED THAT THE CURRENT STATUS OF FORCES WOULD FAVOR A GOR ATTACK. THE RPF HAS MOVED ITS FORCES OUT OF THEIR GUERILLA BASES AND INTO FIXED POSITIONS, IN RESPECT OF THE CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT. WHILE BOTH FORCES HAVE USED THE CEASEFIRE TO REINFORCE THEIR POSITIONS AND RESTOCK WEAPONRY, THE GOR HAS BEEN ABLE TO DO SOME TRAINING WITH THEIR MEN, AND TO ADDRESS SOLDIERS' FEARS OF DEMOBILIZATION, IMPROVING MORALE. HE FEARS THAT THE GOR MIGHT TRY TO HIT THE RPF IN THEIR STATIC POSITIONS AND ATTEMPT TO WIPE THEM OUT.
- 5. THE COL. EXPRESSED FRUSTRATION WITH THE ACTIVITIES OF FRENCH FORCES NEAR THE FRONT (ECHOING COMMENTS OF MAJ. GEN. OPALEYE IN A NOV. 19 MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR). HE STATED THAT THE FRENCH FORCES ARE TRAINING GOR FORCES ALONG THE FRONT IN THE USE OF 105 MM ARTILLERY PIECES AND MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHERS. HE CONFIRMED RPF RADIO MUHABURA REPORTS THAT NMOG MOVEMENTS HAD BEEN HINDERED IN THE AREA BY CONFIDENTIAL

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GOR SOLDIERS WHO WOULD HOLD NMOG OBSERVERS AT ROAD
BLOCKS IN ORDER TO GIVE THE FRENCH THE OPPORTUNITY TO
LEAVE THE AREA.
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