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IPIS

IPIS RECENT PUBLICATIONS

The Karamoja Cluster of eastern Africa: Arms transfers and their repercussions on communal security perceptions.

(December 2010 – IPIS, Transarms)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/arms-trade.php>

The pastoralist societies within the Karamoja Cluster have been unable to adequately defend themselves politically against claims that they, the pastoralists, are responsible for the proliferation of small arms and light weapons in East Africa. This report endeavours in a small way to redress this balance; it is our contention that the majority of the blame for this SALW proliferation should be laid at the doors of the three governments concerned, governments who themselves have failed to adequately address the problems of regional insecurity, weapons diversion and, in many cases, have been quite unable to resist the temptation to support individuals and groups intent on destabilising their neighbours. Although at first sight this linkage between State actors and local actors is, perhaps, not always obvious – and, indeed, may serve to mask the impact of SALW on pastoralists – it is our contention that all unavowed arms transfers are, ipso facto, destabilising and can only serve to exacerbate existing perceptions of communal instability. Indeed, the burden of our song is that any illicit or unavowed transfer of arms will earn a concomitant repercussion in such communal security perceptions.

Natural resources in the Great Lakes Region

Déclaration du sommet spécial sur la lutte contre l'exploitation illégale des ressources naturelles dans la Région des Grands Lacs.

(15/12/2010 – ICGLR)

For consultation at request.

The final declaration of ICGLR meeting in Lusaka on the illegal exploitation of natural resources in the Great Lakes Region.

DRC to Chair Virunga Wildlife Project.

(18/01/2011 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101180185.html>

The DRC, yesterday, assumed the chair of the Greater Virunga Trans-boundary Collaboration (GVTC), an initiative established to protect wildlife within the Virunga Massif that covers Rwanda, Uganda and DRC.

DRC

Illegal Mining Fuels DRC Conflict.

(12/01/2011 – Institute for war and peace reporting)

<http://iwpr.net/report-news/illegal-mining-fuels-drc-conflict>

Militia groups and government soldiers continue to profit from illegal mining in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo, DRC, despite a ban on mining that was imposed by the government last year, according to campaigners.

Urgent funding call to progress implementation of iTSCi conflict mineral programme.

(14/01/2011 – ITRI)

http://www.itri.co.uk/pooled/articles/BF_NEWSART/view.asp?Q=BF_NEWSART_322005

Funds needed urgently for DRC minerals-tracing project – ITRI.

(18/01/2011 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/funds-needed-urgently-for-drc-minerals-tracing-project---itri-2011-01-18>

ITRI and the Tantalum Niobium International Study Center (T.I.C.) today launched an urgent funding call to address the need for immediate expansion and implementation of the ITRI Tin Supply Chain Initiative (iTSCi) due diligence scheme in the DRC.

ITIE - Les experts réfléchissent sur la levée de l'interdiction d'exploitation des minerais de l'Est.

(14/01/2011 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201101140586.html>

Ouverture à Lubumbashi du forum international sur l'Itie : vers la levée de la mesure d'interdiction d'exploitation des minerais à l'Est de la Rdc.

(14/01/2011 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/72988>

Experts from the EITI member states gathered in Lubumbashi to discuss the lifting of the mining ban in eastern DRC.

La Cohydro démantelée.

(12/01/2011 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Within the latest revision of the Congolese law on hydrocarbons, which is currently discussed in the national assembly and the senate, the liquidation of Cohydro is included.

RDC: l'Unesco appelle à l'arrêt de l'exploitation illicite des ressources du patrimoine mondial.

(14/01/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/01/14/lunesco-appelle-la-rdc-d%E2%80%99arreter-l%E2%80%99exploitation-illicite-des-ressources-du-patrimoine-mondial/>

La Rdc en synergie avec l'Unesco plaident auprès de la communauté internationale afin de réhabiliter des sites congolais.

(18/01/2011 – ACP – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/73084>

The DRC authorities and UNESCO representatives gathered in Kinshasa to discuss the protection of the Congolese National Parks.

UGANDA

Oil Stirs Up Business in Hoima.

(13/01/2011 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101140081.html>

The price for land and house rent in Hoima and Buliisa districts has more than tripled in the past six years. The development is attributed to the increasing number of people attracted by the discovery oil in the area. According to residents, a lot of rich people are flocking the area to buy land in anticipation of a business boom in the near future.

Nation's Oil to Flow in 2012 – Tullow.

(12/01/2011 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101130107.html>

Tullow Oil delays US\$12.98bn investment in Uganda due to dispute.

(12/01/2011 – Industrial Fuels and Power)

<http://www.ifandp.com/article/008964.html>

Tullow delays planned €10bn Ugandan investment.

(12/01/2011 – Independent)

<http://www.independent.ie/business/irish/tullow-delays-planned-euro10bn-ugandan-investment-2492676.html>

Tullow Oil has said it will start oil production in Uganda in 2012 rather than its previous target of 2011 due to the complexity of the operations, including putting up the required facilities.

Will Nation's Oil Ever Flow?

(17/01/2011 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101180147.html>

Uganda's first oil production could start flowing in 2015 after new laws and institutions have been established, energy experts have said.

Pipeline impasse delays production in Uganda.

(12/01/2011 – Oil & Gas Journal)

http://www.ogj.com/index/blogs/oil-diplomacy/blogs/OGJ/oil-diplomacy-blog/post987_4727882752104764865.html

What's going on in Uganda these days? For months, we heard nothing but exciting news about the country's oil prospects. Then, suddenly, everything came to a screeching halt when Heritage Oil decided to sell its stakes in two blocks.

Museveni Assures Banyoro On Oil.

(17/01/2011 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101180015.html>

President Yoweri Museveni has attacked opposition politicians who, he said, are peddling lies that the Government had sold off Lake Albert. Campaigning in Hoima district yesterday, Museveni also lashed out opposition politicians who are claiming that the people of Bunyoro won't benefit from the oil revenues.

Uganda, PricewaterhouseCoopers in Talks Over Consultancy of Oil Company.

(18/01/2011 – in audit)

<http://inaudit.com/consulting/uganda-pricewaterhousecoopers-in-talks-over-consultancy-of-oil-company-4218/>

Accounting and consultancy firm PricewaterhouseCoopers is likely to sign a contract with the government of Uganda in the next few weeks after the latter expressed interest in tapping the advisory services of PwC for its planned national oil company.

India Wants to Help Develop Ugandan Oil Industry, Agency Says.

(18/01/2011 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-01-18/india-wants-to-help-develop-ugandan-oil-industry-agency-says.html>

India wants to help develop the oil industry in Uganda, where commercial production is scheduled to start next year, the state-run Uganda Media Center said.

International mining companies in the Great Lakes Region

DRC

FQM copper and gold production fall on Frontier mine expropriation.

(14/01/2011 – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page504?oid=118500&sn=Detail>

First Quantum reports lower copper and gold output.

(13/01/2011 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/first-quantum-reports-lower-copper-and-gold-output-2011-01-13>

First Quantum 2010 copper output drops to 322,700T.

(13/01/2011 – Reuters)

<http://af.reuters.com/article/investingNews/idAFJOE70C0LZ20110113>

As expected, First Quantum's 2010 metals output suffered from the forced closure of its Frontier Mine by the DRC Government in its ongoing dispute with the Canadian miner. FQM's full-year copper production fell to 322,700 tonnes in 2010 versus 373,940 tonnes in 2009.

SOCO International Provides DRC Exploration Update.

(17/01/2011 – OilVoice)

http://www.oilvoice.com/n/SOCO_International_Provides_DRC_Exploration_Update/d3472d238.aspx

SOCO International plc announces that the wildcat exploration well Bayingu-1 in the Nyanzi Block, onshore the DRC, operated by its subsidiary, SOCO Exploration & Production - DRC SPRL encountered oil and gas shows in both the primary and secondary reservoir targets.

Full output achieved at Ruashi.

(14/01/2011 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/ruashi-copper-mine-in-drc-returns-to-full-production-2011-01-14>

Both circuits on the Ruashi copper mine, in the Democratic Republic of Congo, are operating at design capacity and the mine has returned to full production, says South African miner Metorex.

Kilo Drilling on the Manzako Prospect Intersects 5.00 Metres Grading 9.92 g/t Gold Somituri Project, DRC.

(13/01/2011 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/Kilo-Drilling-on-Manzako-Prospect-Intersects-500-Metres-Grading-992-g-t-Gold-Somituri-TSX-VENTURE-KGL-1379884.htm>

Kilo Goldmines Receives Diamond Drilling Results from Somituri Project.

(14/01/2011 – Azomining)

<http://www.azomining.com/Details.asp?newsID=2538>

Kilo Goldmines Ltd. is pleased to announce results for diamond drill hole SMDD0003 on the Company's Manzako Prospect of the Somituri Project in north-eastern DRC.

Tiger Resources Limited - Kipoi Copper Project Stage 1 Construction Update.

(13/01/2011 – Digital Journal)

<http://www.digitaljournal.com/pr/199352>

Tiger Resources Limited is pleased to advise that construction has continued to proceed safely, on time and on budget for the Stage 1 development at the Kipoi Copper Project in the DRC.

Greenock Resources research and analysis.

(13/01/2011 – Stock Markets Review)

http://www.stockmarketsreview.com/news/greenock_resources_research_and_analysis_20110113_86176/

Greenock Resources Inc. is focused primarily on: its Kakanda copper/cobalt project (51% to 70 % interest subject to final joint venture terms and payment “pas du porte” concession payment) and the other 30% to 49% held by Gécamines, the state-owned mining company, and which is located in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC); and its Needles gold project (100%) in Nevada.

Loncor Announces C\$19,975,000 Bought Deal Private Placement and Non-Brokered Private Placement for Up to C\$3.995 Million.

(13/01/2011 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/Loncor-Announces-C19975000-Bought-Deal-Private-Placement-Non-Brokered-Private-Placement-TSX-VENTURE-LN-1380243.htm>

Loncor Resources Inc. is pleased to announce that it has entered into an agreement with a syndicate of underwriters led by GMP Securities L.P. and including Cormark Securities Inc. and Raymond James Ltd., pursuant to which the Underwriters have agreed to purchase, on a bought deal private placement basis, 8,500,000 common shares of the company. The company announces further that it also intends to undertake a non-brokered private placement of up to 1,700,000 common shares. The company intends to use the net proceeds from the Brokered Placement and the Non-Brokered Placement for the exploration of the company's mineral properties in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

Pétroliers italiens en embuscade.

(12/01/2011 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Article on the controversial plans of Italcon RDC and its president Alfredo Carmine Cestari to construct an oil pipeline in the DRC.

Le gouvernement met Tamoil dans l'incertitude.

(12/01/2011 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

The Libian company Tamoil is waiting for the Ugandan authorities to allow it to start with the construction of the oil pipeline between Eldoret and Kampala.

UGANDA

Questions Over Tullow's Ballooning Bill.

(17/01/2011 – The East African – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101170858.html>

Concerns were emerging last week over the escalating bill of oil explorer Tullow's Ugandan operation as it emerged the company's costs had jumped from \$500 million to \$800million in just 12 months. Coming amid media reports that the company had resolved a \$283 million tax dispute with the Ugandan government, the revelation raised fears among industry players that the new cost bill could be masking the tax dues.

Essar et le brut ougandais.

(12/01/2011 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

The Indian company Essar stated it might review its plans on the rehabilitation of the Mombassa refinery, depending on Uganda's oil reserves.

Arms trade / Security in the Great Lakes Region

DRC

Congo soldiers held over alleged rapes, looting: UN.

(13/01/2011 – Reuters)

http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJ0E70C01D20110113?feedType=RSS&feedName=topNews&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+reuters%2FAFRICATopNews+%28News+%2F+AFRICA+%2F+Top+News%29&utm_content=Bloglines

Soldiers Accused of Rape Arrested.

(13/01/2011 – IPS)

<http://ipsnews.net/news.asp?idnews=54125>

A group of government soldiers in the Democratic Republic of the Congo has been detained over allegations of sexual violence earlier this month, the United Nations said on Wednesday. The incident took place in Fizi, in the South Kivu province of eastern Congo.

DR Congo army commander 'led mass rape' in Fizi.

(19/01/2011 – BBC)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-12205969> (English)

http://www.bbc.co.uk/afrique/region/2011/01/110119_drcfizirape.shtml (French)

An army commander in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo has been accused of leading the recent mass rape of at least 50 women. One of the victims, as well as sources quoted in a UN report, all accuse Lt Col Kibibi Mutware of links to New Year's Day rapes in the town of Fizi.

Walikale: le Racid demande au gouvernement d'enquêter sur les viols de la Saint Sylvestre.

(15/01/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/01/15/walikale-le-racid-demande-au-gouvernement-d%E2%80%99enqueter-sur-les-viols-de-la-saint-sylvestre/>

Racid denounces the violations and the pillaging that the villagers of Mikweti, Mukoberwa and Kalambairo, on the Walikale-Masisi border, had to endure. Racid demands the government to conduct an investigation on the events.

Nord-Kivu : lancement de la 4e phase des opérations Ruwenzori contre les ADF Nalu.

(15/01/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/01/15/nord-kivu-lancement-de-la-4e-phase-des-operations-ruwenzori-contre-les-adf-nalu/>

The FARDC announced the Ruwenzori military operation against the ADF-Nalu rebels is entering its final stage.

La Monusco juge positives les opérations militaires en 2010.

(13/01/2011 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201101130421.html>

The MONUSCO spokesperson, lieutenant-colonel Mamadou Gaye, evaluated the FARDC and MONSUCO military operations of 2010.

Katanga: les FARDC déployées à Lwena manquent de nourriture depuis un mois.

(14/01/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/01/14/katanga-les-fardc-deployees-a-lwena-manquent-de-nourriture-depuis-un-mois/>

About 60 FARDC soldiers that are deployed in Lwena, to secure the city from Mai Mai incursions, have not received their ration of food during the last month.

North Kivu: Congolese National Police Officials trained to secure the electoral process.

(12/01/2011 – MONUSCO)

<http://monusco.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=932&ctl=Details&mid=1096&ItemID=11957> (English)

<http://monusco.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1069&ctl=Details&mid=1143&ItemID=11949> (French)

From 6 to 12 January, more than a hundred Congolese National Police (PNC) officers including three female from the Mobile Intervention Group received training from MONUSCO police on crowd control, restoration of public order, police code of ethics and human rights.

Pour l'année 2011, l'Eusec envisage la réhabilitation de l'académie militaire de Kananga.

(18/01/2011 – ACP - Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/73083>

Article on EUSEC's cooperation with several partners to reinforce the capacity of the Congolese national army.

RDC : maltraitance des Congolais expulsés d'Angola.

(13/01/2011 – UN Radio – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/AZHU-8D3SNT?OpenDocument&RSS20=02-P>

Kamako: les expulsions des Congolais d'Angola se poursuivent dans la violation des droits de l'homme.

(12/01/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/01/12/kamako-les-expulsions-des-congolais-d%E2%80%99angola-se-poursuivent-dans-la-violation-des-droits-de-lhomme/>

La situation des expulsés congolais d'Angola au menu du point de presse hebdomadaire de la Monusco.

(15/01/2011 – L'Avenir – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/73058>

Articles on the ill treatment of Congolese civilians during their expulsion from Angola.

DRC: Rape. Re-rape. Gang Rape. But, really, who cares?

(17/01/2011 – Pambazuka)

<http://www.pambazuka.org/en/category/wgender/70110>

The exact number of women and girls who have experienced sexual abuse in the DRC is not known, writes Nikki Whaites for the Gender Links Opinion and Commentary Service. In 2008, the United Nations Population Fund reported 15,996 registered cases of sexual violence across the country. And 65 per cent of those were children, the majority girls – 10 per cent were under the age of 10. But few are paying attention.

RD Congo : Bulletin d'information humanitaire - Province Orientale, 11/01/2011.
(11/01/2011 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/MCOI-8D2HAY?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

Situation humanitaire en République Démocratique du Congo Note d'information à la presse, 12 janvier 2011.

(12/01/2011 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/LSGZ-8D2JWW?OpenDocument&RSS20=02-P>

RD Congo : Bulletin d'information humanitaire - Province Orientale, 18/1/2011.

(18/01/2011 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/VVOS-8D8MTU?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

OCHA reports on the humanitarian situation and humanitarian assistance in the eastern Congolese provinces.

Audition par la CPI d'un témoin au procès Bemba.

(13/01/2011 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201101130407.html>

Procès Bemba : la défense va interroger le témoin 87 jeudi.

(13/01/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/01/13/proces-bemba-la-defense-va-interroger-le-temoin-87-jeudi/>

Procès Bemba: la défense a interrogé le témoin 87 sur l'accusation de viol.

(14/01/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/01/14/proces-bemba-la-defense-a-interroge-le-temoin-87-sur-%E2%80%99accusation-de-viol/>

Procès JP Bemba: fin de la comparution du témoin numéro 87, le goût amer de la défense.

(15/01/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/01/15/proces-jp-bemba-fin-de-la-comparution-du-temoin-numero-87-le-gout-amer-de-la-defense/>

At Jean-Pierre Bemba's trial a female witness described how she was robbed and violated by Bemba's rebels.

Witness Claims DRC Soldiers Raped Her.

(17/01/2011 – Institute for war and peace reporting – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/VVOS-8D7SXY?OpenDocument&RSS20=02-P>

The fourth witness to testify in the war crimes trial of former Congolese vice-president Jean-Pierre Bemba said last week that the soldiers who gang raped her nearly ten years ago were from the DRC and not the Central African Republic, where the alleged attack took place. Defence lawyers, though, questioned this and suggested that it would have been very difficult for the witness to tell exactly what nationality the soldiers were.

Witness - Central African Rebels Did Not Harm Civilians.

(18/01/2011 – Bemba Trial Website – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101190268.html>

The fifth prosecution witness in the Jean-Pierre Bemba trial today said local rebels in the Central African Republic (CAR) did not harm civilians. Instead, she said, Congolese troops belonging to Mr. Bemba's group were the ones who raped and killed civilians during late 2002 and early 2003.

Rape Survivor Tells Bemba Trial That She Has Aids.

(17/01/2011 – Bemba Trial Website - allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101190269.html>

A rape survivor testifying in Congolese opposition leader Jean-Pierre Bemba's trial told the court on Monday that she discovered she was infected with HIV/AIDS following her rape by soldiers of the Movement for the Liberation of Congo (MLC).

LRA

UGANDA: On the trail of the LRA.

(12/01/2011 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/report.aspx?ReportID=91612>

US President Barack Obama's policy document on the Lord's Resistance Army presented a blunt critique of the efforts to tackle the Ugandan rebel group, but some argue it contained little practical help to those trying to apprehend the group's leaders.

Nouvelle attaque de la LRA à Rafai.

(17/01/2011 – Fondation Hirondelle)

<http://www.hirondelle.org/page-accueil/radio-ndeke-luka-rca-17-01-11-nouvelle-attaque-de-la-lra-a-rafai/>

LRA rebels have attacked several villages near the city of Rafai and Madabazouma, about 100 km from Bangassou, southern CAR.

U.S. Says it Has No Evidence the Country Supporting LRA Rebels in Uganda.

(15/01/2011 – Sudan Tribune – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101171329.html>

The United States said that it has seen no evidence supporting allegations that the Sudanese government is still backing the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) that has launched two decade of rebellion in northern Uganda.

Obama's LRA To-Do List Item 4: Make Certain Khartoum Doesn't Resume Support to the LRA.

(18/01/2011 – Resolve – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/JARD-8D932B?OpenDocument&RSS20=02-P>

By both encouraging Sudan to avoid future contact with the LRA and investigating the claims that members of the government in Khartoum have supplied or given safe haven to the LRA, President Obama can demonstrate how seriously he takes the threat of LRA violence in relation to peace and stability in Sudan and across central Africa.

Obama's LRA To-Do List Item Three: Seek Viable Alternatives to the Ugandan Military in Apprehending Senior LRA Commanders.

(11/01/2011 – Resolve)

<http://www.theresolve.org/posts/2702879774>

President Obama recognizes the importance of apprehending LRA commanders, making it one of the four Strategic Objectives of the LRA strategy he released in November 2010. However, his strategy relies on continued support to the Ugandan military to accomplish the task, raising serious concerns about his willingness to do what's really necessary to stop Kony and top LRA commanders.

L'effectif des victimes de la Lra passe de 2500 en 2009 à 500 en 2010, constate la Monusco.

(13/01/2011 – ACP – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/73025>

According to the MONUSCO, the number of victims of the LRA's violent activities has fallen considerably following the MONUSCO-FARDC operations against Kony's rebel movement.

UGANDA

UPDF Pardons Warriors.

(18/01/2011 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101190118.html>

The UPDF on Friday granted amnesty to eight suspected warriors as part of the peace and reconciliation process in Karamoja. Those freed included Apuwai Lochap, James Lomilo, Lokorikwang Longoli and Loduk Otukei all residents of Nakapiripirit district.

RWANDA

Four exiled Rwandan opponents slam jail sentences.

(16/01/2011 – TerraDaily)

http://www.terradaily.com/reports/Four_exiled_Rwandan_opponents_slam_jail_sentences_999.html

Rwanda : quatre ex-proches de Kagame condamnés à de lourdes peines de prison.

(14/01/2011 – Le Soir)

http://archives.lesoir.be/rwanda-quatre-ex-proches-de-kagame-condamnes-a-de_t-20110114-0177KX.html?queryand=rwanda&firstHit=0&by=10&when=-1&sort=datedesc&pos=1&all=7636&nav=1

Nation Jails Nyamwasa for 24 Years for Terrorism.

(17/01/2011 – The Monitor – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101170007.html>

Kayumba, Rudasingwa Get 24-Year Prison Terms.

(15/01/2011 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201101150021.html>

Four former close aides of Paul Kagame Sunday dismissed as politically motivated heavy jail terms passed on them in absentia, accusing the Rwandan president of misusing justice to target his foes.

Rwanda mayor on trial in Germany for genocide.

(18/01/2011 – Reuters)

http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJOE70H0IG20110118?feedType=RSS&feedName=topNews&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+reuters%2FAFRICATopNews+%28News+%2F+AFRICA+%2F+Top+News%29&utm_content=Bloglines

Rwandan mayor Rwabukombe tried for genocide in Germany.

(18/01/2011 – BBC)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-12215195>

An ethnic Hutu mayor from Rwanda residing in Germany went on trial on genocide charges in Frankfurt on Tuesday over his suspected involvement massacres against the Tutsi minority in 1994. The former mayor, Onesphore Rwabukombe, faces charges of genocide, murder and incitement to genocide and murder, the court in Frankfurt said.

Other

DR Congo opposition cries foul in constitution review.

(11/01/2011 – Afrique en ligne)

<http://www.afriquejet.com/news/africa-news/dr-congo-opposition-cries-foul-in-constitution-review-2011011167047.html>

RDC: La présidentielle désormais à un seul tour.

(16/01/2011 – BBC)

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Révision constitutionnelle: pourquoi l'opposition a quitté l'hémicycle.

(12/01/2011 – Radio Okapi)

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Opposition political parties and groups in the DRC have denounced a bill passed by the ruling party to revise the Constitution as a mandate of 'mass cheating'. In a declaration made available to PANA on Monday, the opposition said the revision of the Constitution to have only one round of voting in the presidential election 'is a dangerous step backward', which would reduce the legitimacy of the president, increase challenges to his power and create instability.

Révision constitutionnelle, les ténors de l'opposition reçus à la Monusco.

(18/01/2011 – Hirondelle)

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A delegation of the Congolese opposition parties visited Ms Leïla Zerrougui, Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General, to express their dissatisfaction with the constitutional revision.

DR Congo parliament backs Kabila vote reform.

(16/01/2011 – Reuters)

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La révision constitutionnelle approuvée sur fond de la bagarre.

(12/01/2011 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201101120613.html>

Democratic Republic of Congo's parliament approved controversial voting reforms on Saturday expected to boost incumbent President Joseph Kabila's chances of re-election in November.

Congo Senate passes poll reform seen aiding Kabila.

(13/01/2011 – Reuters)

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Parlement: vote de la loi sur la révision de la Constitution.

(16/01/2011 – Radio Okapi)

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Senate passes the constitutional revision.

(13/01/2011 – Congo Siasa)

<http://congosiasa.blogspot.com/2011/01/senate-passes-constitutional-revision.html>

Congo's Senate approved proposed constitutional changes on Thursday reducing this year's presidential election to one round, in a move likely to boost incumbent President Joseph Kabila's chances of winning.

Are the amendments to the constitution illegal?

(13/01/2011 – Congo Siasa)

<http://congosiasa.blogspot.com/2011/01/are-amendments-to-constitution-illegal.html>

Article analysing the legality of the latest constitutional review in the DRC.

Are we prepared for elections?

(16/01/2011 – Congo Siasa)

<http://congosiasa.blogspot.com/2011/01/are-we-prepared-for-elections.html>

In theory we are now ten months away from presidential and legislative elections in the Congo, and yet it seems that compared with 2006 there is a lack of urgency and commitment to the process.

Elections in DRC are an imperfect but necessary step towards order.

(19/01/2011 – The Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/global-development/poverty-matters/2011/jan/19/democratic-republic-congo-elections-kabila-mobutu>

Article from Jason Stearns, stating that a weak state, corruption and mounting repression mean the DRC's elections are unlikely to change much in the country – but they need to be supported.

IPIS latest publications

IPIS LATEST REPORTS

The complexity of resource governance in a context of state fragility: An analysis of the mining sector in the Kivu hinterlands.

(November 2010 – IPIS / International Alert)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/mining-hinterlands.php> (website)

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The report 'Mining activity and mineral trade in the Kivu hinterland' was commissioned by the Directorate General for Development (DG DEV) of the European Commission and aims to fill an information gap by identifying the principal mining sites and analysing the trade networks of the 'Eastern hinterland' of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), located in Maniema, North Katanga and Orientale Province, and the transport networks from these territories to the regional hubs of Bukavu, Goma, Butembo and Bunia.

Mapping the labyrinth: more on the strange weapons flight of 4L-AWA.

(October 2010 – IPIS / TransArms)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/arms-trade.php> (website)

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This research report is the third in a series about the case of a IL-76 aircraft used for an apparently clandestine arms flight in provenance from Pyongyang, which was impounded by Thai authorities during a technical stop in Bangkok December 12, 2009. The third updated report presents new information and documents that show other important actors in the chain of companies who managed the flight, shedding a new light on the information included in the previous reports.

Mining Concessions in the DR Congo.

(October 2010 – IPIS)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/mine-concessions-drc.php>

IPIS has produced an interactive web map of all mining concessions in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The data on this map are official and public data from the Cadastre Minier (CaMi) of the DR Congo, showing the situation as it was on 27 July 2010.

Deadly Movements. Transportation Controls in the Arms Trade Treaty.

(July 2010 – Amnesty International, IPIS, Transarms)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/arms-trade.php>

Effective regulation of the global trade in conventional arms must include adequate provisions to control the physical movement of arms across international borders. The proposed Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) should be designed to prevent unauthorised or irresponsible international transfers of weapons, munitions and related equipment internationally: it must therefore require states to impose effective controls and reporting requirements on the transport and transporters of arms, including through Free Trade Zones. Without such requirements, the ATT will fail to address a significant gap in international arms transfer controls, and will deprive states of a key tool to prevent arms transfers where it can be foreseen the arms are likely to be used to violate human rights and destroy lives and livelihoods contrary to international law.

Les devoirs de la République centrafricaine dans le contexte des activités des entreprises.

(July 2010 – IPIS)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/ong-rca.php>

Les devoirs internationaux de la République centrafricaine relatifs à la conservation des milieux d'importance et des espèces sauvages.

(July 2007 – IPIS)

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Une analyse de la législation environnementale et de la législation minière de la République Centrafricaine dans le contexte des activités des entreprises.

(June 2010 – IPIS)

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Amélioration de la pratique de l'Etude d'Impact Environnemental.

(June 2010 – IPIS)

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Four reports on IPIS' project concerning capacity building of NGOs in the Central African Republic working on the management of uranium. The reports analyse the CAR's mining and environmental legislation, and the country's obligations in the field of environmental management and the regulation of enterprises' activities.

Jaarverslag 2009.

(06/05/2010 – IPIS)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/natural-resources.php>

IPIS has published its activity report 2009. The activity report is a comprehensive report of IPIS' activities in 2009. Its assignments, publications and lectures are presented in this document. The English version follows later on.

Mapping Conflict Motives: Province Orientale (DRC)

(March 2010 – IPIS)

http://www.ipisresearch.be/mapping_orientale.php?&lang=en

Cartographie des motivations derrière les conflits: 'Province Orientale' (RDC).

(June 2010 – IPIS)

http://www.ipisresearch.be/mapping_orientale.php

It is the fourth study in the IPIS mapping series and deals with the presence, behaviour and motivation of the armed groups that have been active in the Orientale province of the Democratic Republic of the Congo in 2009.

With the publication of this fourth mapping report, IPIS links two areas it has studied and mapped in the past: the Kivu provinces of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Central African Republic. IPIS is trying to complete the jigsaw puzzle of a conflict-ridden region. The following report constitutes a new piece fitting into this puzzle. As the work advances, ever more linkages will appear and facilitate regional analysis.

From deceit to discovery: The strange flight of 4L-AWA (text and documents).

(December 2009 – IPIS)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/arms-trade.php>

On Saturday 12 December 2009 Thai authorities seized an aircraft at Bangkok's Don Mueang airport. The Ilyushin-76 had stopped on the 11th December for refuelling while en-route from Pyongyang to Tehran, and was carrying 35 tonnes of arms and ammunition. While the media rushed to make unproven claims about the plane and alleged former owners of the aircraft, little attention was paid to the web of companies, the flight plan, and final destination.

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