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IPIS

NEW ACQUISITIONS OF THE IPIS LIBRARY.

Georges Berghezan and Xavier Zeebroek (Eds.) (2011), *Armes légères dans l'Est du Congo*, GRIP: Brussels, 179p.

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N. (2011), *JP Airline Fleets International 2011/12 (Book + CD rom)*, Reed Business Information: Surrey, 772p.

Natural resources in the Great Lakes Region

Rift in Kimberley Process Provides Lessons for Conflict Mineral Certification.

(29/06/2011 – Enough Project)

<http://enoughproject.org/blogs/rift-kimberley-process-provides-lessons-conflict-mineral-certification>

A sharp divide over the resumption of diamond sales from Zimbabwe has left members of the Kimberley Process struggling to keep the process intact. At the heart of the issue is the debate over how, in the face of egregious human rights abuses perpetrated by the Zimbabwean security apparatus, exports from the controversial Marange fields of Zimbabwe can resume, and how those exports would be monitored and overseen to ensure that human rights abuses do not continue.

How Africa Can Extract Big Benefits for Everyone From Natural Resources.

(29/06/2011 – World Bank - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107010910.html>

As the Natural Resource Charter holds its third annual workshop at the University Oxford, in the UK, this week, the combination of rising commodity prices and falling costs of communication technology presents Africa with an unprecedented opportunity to reduce poverty and fight corruption at the same time.

La Chine en Afrique. Menace ou opportunité pour le développement?

(June 2011 – CETRI)

http://www.cetri.be/spip.php?rubrique133#texte_133

In this French document the question is asked whether China forms an opportunity or a threat to Africa.

DRC

The DRC's future is in your hands Congo is a country known for conflict – and the minerals used in mobile phones. It's time the trade in them was exposed.

(30/06/2011 - The Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2011/jul/04/drc-conflict-mineral-mobile-phone-africa>

It is widely believed that 95% of mobile phones contain metals mined in the Democratic Republic of Congo, by international extractive companies and supplied by global commodities traders. Many of these companies are based in Britain.

Congo police foil raid on mining depot, two dead.

(29/06/2011 – Reuters)

http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJOE75S0B620110629?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

Fusillade à Lubumbashi.

(29/06/2011 – Radio France Internationale - AllAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201106291127.html>

Deadly gunfight in DR Congo mining capital Lubumbashi.

(29/06/2011 – BBC)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-13965617>

Police in Democratic Republic of Congo killed two gunmen who tried to raid a mining depot in Lubumbashi on Wednesday during a visit to the city by the president, officials said.

Lubumbashi: l'attaque de ce mercredi visait l'entrepôt de Volcano Mining, selon Lambert Mende.

(29/06/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/06/29/lubumbashi-l%E2%80%99attaque-de-ce-mercredi-visait-l%E2%80%99entrepot-de-volcano-mining-selon-lambert-mende/#more-95753>

According to the ministry of communication and media and spokesman of the government Lambert Mende, shots were exchanged between police and a group of armed men who tried to enter the stocks of the company Volcano mining.

Mbuji-Mayi: les anciens agents de la Sengamines accusent le ministre des Mines de bloquer leurs salaires.

(1/07/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/07/01/mbuji-mayi-les-anciens-agents-de-la-sengamines-accusent-le-ministre-des-mines-de-bloquer-leurs-salaires/>

The former agents of the mining company Sengamines accuse the ministry of mines of blocking their salaries while available.

Trafic des minerais du Kivu : l'atelier de Bukavu plaide pour la certification régionale.

(4/07/2011 – Digitalcongo)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/76813>

A workshop on the regional initiative to fight the illegal exploitation of natural resources has closed on Saturday, July 2 at Bukavu. Participants recommended to set up a monitoring committee in the mining sector in South Kivu.

Oil Minister Calls On DRC for Speed in Negotiations.

(30/07/2011 – AngolaPress - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107010185.html>

The Angolan Minister of Petroleum called on the government of the DRC to speed up the negotiation process concerning the border oil exploration.

Angola Is Prepared to Start Oil-Sharing Talks With the DRC.

(4/07/2011 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-07-04/angola-is-prepared-to-start-oil-sharing-talks-with-the-drc.html>

Angola is ready to hold talks with the Democratic Republic of Congo about sharing oil resources along their common maritime border, Oil Minister Jose Maria Botelho de Vasconcelos said. Angola signed an agreement with the Republic of Congo last month that will pave the way for joint oil production to start by the end of 2013 or early in 2014.

La multinationale Total disposée à investir dans l'exploitation pétrolière du bloc III dans le Graben Albertine en RD Congo.

(5/07/2011 – Digitalcongo)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/76807>

The French multinational Total is starting with the exploration of an oil site in the Albertine rift.

Congo's Inga Hydropower Project May Cost More, Reuters Reports.

(30/06/2011 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-06-30/congo-s-inga-hydropower-project-may-cost-more-reuters-reports.html>

Inga hydro project on Congo river too risky – AfDB

(29/06/2011 – Reuters)

<http://www.engineeringnews.co.za/article/inga-hydro-project-on-congo-river-too-risky-afdb-2011-06-29>

Current plans to develop the stalled \$8-billion to \$10-billion Inga 3 hydropower project on the Congo river may be too risky because of costs and time, a senior African Development Bank (AfDB) official said on Wednesday.

UGANDA

Land row: Dead bodies exhumed.

(01/07/2011 – New Vision)

<http://www.newvision.co.ug/detail.php?newsCategoryId=12&newsId=759054>

Five dead bodies were on Friday morning exhumed at Kirinya, Kikonko zone in Bweyogerere in Wakiso district over a land row

Oil Money to Rescue Falling Shilling – Bank.

(4/07/2011 – The Monitor - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107041463.html>

Bank of Uganda expects the shilling to strengthen against major currencies when "large" foreign exchange for the development of Uganda's oil deposits sets in.

Draft Standards for Nation's Petroleum Industry Out.

(28/06/2011 – The Citizen - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201106290974.html>

The Ugandan Government is set to adopt new standards governing the operations of the petroleum industry with the aim of improving the quality of products and services sold to consumers.

Waste management, key to sustainability of Uganda's Oil.

(3/07/2011 – New Vision)

<http://www.newvision.co.ug/D/8/459/759210>

Ugandans are very excited about the ongoing oil exploration in western and northern Uganda. However, as explorations go on, the issue of waste management needs to be addressed as early as possible since exploration activities are close to very important ecological areas including Lake Albert and Murchison Falls National Park among others.

RWANDA

Rwanda mining companies boosting production.

(4/07/2011 – ITRI)

http://www.itri.co.uk/pooled/articles/BF_NEWSART/view.asp?Q=BF_NEWSART_323443

Tin producers in Rwanda including Rutongo Mines Ltd., the country's biggest miner, plan to boost exports Bloomberg reports

Rwanda Tipped for Global Forestry Award.

(5/07/2011 – The New Times – All Africa)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107050165.html>

Rwanda's National Forest Policy and law are shortlisted for the 2011 Future Policy Award, which celebrates the most inspiring, innovative and influential forest policies worldwide.

Rulindo to Plant 1,000 Hectares of Forests.

(6/07/2011 – The New Times – All Africa)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107060082.html>

The Mayor of Rulindo District, Justus Kangwage has disclosed plans by his administration to plant trees covering at least 1,000 hectares in the district this year.

Fuel Prices Drop.

(2/07/2011 – The New Times – AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107040438.html>

The government announced a reduction in fuel prices in line with the 2011/12 budget proposal, where levies on fuel imports will drop by Rwf100 per litre by the end of this financial year.

BURUNDI

Burundi to Start Nickel Production Next Year, 35 Years After Its Discovery.

(1/07/2011 – Reuters)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-07-01/burundi-to-start-nickel-production-next-year-35-years-after-its-discovery.html>

Burundi, one of the world's poorest nations, plans to start nickel production next year, more than 35 years after first discovering the stainless steel-making ingredient, as the country addresses a lack of power and transport infrastructure.

International mining companies in the Great Lakes Region

SacOil's Vela keen to emulate the success of Africa's top explorers.

(5/07/2011 – Proactive Investors)

<http://www.proactiveinvestors.co.uk/companies/news/30062/sacoils-vela-keen-to-emulate-the-success-of-africas-top-explorers-30062.html>

The success of Tullow in Uganda suggest Block III is highly prospective for oil – a fact borne out by SacOil's partnership with French major Total, which has farmed in for 60 per cent. The total value of the deal is US\$300 million, says SacOil. It will receive US\$61.5 million staged over the next five years, of which US\$7.5 million has already been paid. It also leaves the company with a 12.5 per cent interest in the licence.

Unscrupulous Politicians Cashing in On Africa's Land Deals.

(1/07/2011 – Institute for Security Studies - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107010823.html>

The growing academic research and significant media attention around the recent spate of farmland acquisitions in Africa and other developing countries present some interesting findings. The news stories and research reports are peppered with haunting narratives of multinational companies and acquiescent national governments intent on gobbling up swathes of farmland with scant regard for the food and livelihood security of local communities.

DRC

Julien Paluku.

(29/06/2011 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

The governor of North Kivu, Julien Paluku, held talks with officials from the Russian Pan African Business Group on a project to build two cassiterite smelters in Sake.

Randgold starts relocations to make way for new Kibali gold mine.

(29/06/2011 – Mining weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/randgold-starts-relocations-to-make-way-for-new-kibali-gold-mine-2011-06-30>

E- and Nasdaq-listed gold miner Randgold Resources has started relocating people living on what will become the mine site for the new Kibali gold mine, in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

Kilo Announces 31.70 Metres Grading 4.39 g/t Gold on the Manzako Prospect of the Somituri Project, DRC

(30/06/2011 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/kilo-announces-3170-metres-grading-439-g-t-gold-on-manzako-prospect-somituri-project-tsx-venture-kjl-1533345.htm>

Kilo Goldmines Ltd. is pleased to announce that 31.70 metres grading 4.39 g/t gold has been obtained in a trench on the Manzako Prospect of the Somituri Project in north-eastern DRC. A 13.60 metre interval in this trench returned 8.99 g/t gold; moreover, the trench has not traversed the entire mineralized zone.

DRC to Open First Industrial Gold Mine Since 1950s.

(5/07/2011 – Gold Investing News)

<http://goldinvestingnews.com/15696/dr-congo-will-soon-re-open-first-industrial-gold-mine-since-1950s.html>

The Twangiza Project in the DRC will be the country's first industrial gold mining operation to open in more than half a century. The Canadian-owned Banro Corporation is scheduled to pour the first bar of gold at this open-pit mine some time in the fourth quarter of this year.

Mawson West reports positive feas study on Kapulo copper project.

(4/07/2011 – Proactive Investors)

<http://www.proactiveinvestors.com/companies/news/15968/mawson-west-reports-positive-feas-study-on-kapulo-copper-project--15968.html>

Mawson West reported Monday the results of a feasibility study on its Kapulo copper project in the Democratic Republic of Congo, with an anticipated cash cost of just \$1.79 per pound of copper produced.

Kipoi Copper Project - Production Update.

(5/07/2011 – Digital Journal)

<http://www.digitaljournal.com/pr/354499>

Tiger Resources Limited is pleased to provide a production update from its high-grade Kipoi Copper Project in the DRC.

Vale's still the only firm offer – Metorex.

(4/07/2011 – Reuters)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page67?oid=130705&sn=Detail&pid=92730>

South African miner Metorex said on Monday that it had still received no firm offer from any party other than Brazil's Vale which has made a \$1.1 billion offer for it.

China's Jinchuan moves to trump Vale's bid for Metorex with R9.1bn offer

(5/07/2011 – Mining weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/metorex-gets-r91bn-offer-from-chinese-group-jinchuan-2011-07-05>

Brazil Set to Battle China Over African Copper With Priciest Bid: Real M&A.

(29/06/2011 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-06-29/brazil-set-to-battle-china-over-african-copper-with-priciest-bid-real-m-a.html>

Shares in Metorex climbed by nearly 7% on Tuesday, after the base metals miner received a more competitive offer from Chinese company Jinchuan than the one received from Brazil's Vale.

Vale May Raise Metorex Bid After Jinchuan's \$1.36 Billion Offer for Miner.

(6/07/2011 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-07-05/metorex-gets-firm-intention-from-china-s-jinchuan-to-make-offer-for-group.html>

Vale SA, the world's largest iron-ore producer, may raise its bid for Metorex Ltd. after Jinchuan Group Co. offered \$1.36 billion to acquire the African copper company, analysts said.

Modibo Diarra.

(29/06/2011 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Modibo Diarra, a former NASA astrophysician and now president of Microsoft Africa, has been named president of the new George Arthur Forrest Foundation.

RWANDA

Rwandan Mining Companies Expected to Boost Tin Exports Amid Record Prices.

(30/06/2011 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-06-30/rwandan-mining-companies-expected-to-boost-tin-exports-amid-record-prices.html>

Tin producers in Rwanda including Rutongo Mines Ltd., the country's biggest miner of the tin ore cassiterite, plan to boost exports as the East African nation seeks to gain from record prices for the metal, officials said.

Arms trade / Security in the Great Lakes Region

DRC

Le mandat de la Monusco prorogé d'une année.

(28/06/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/06/28/le-mandat-de-la-monusco-proroge-d%E2%80%99une-annee/>

United Nations Security Council renews Monusco's mandate: mission's role in light of upcoming DRC elections is laid out and should be acted upon to its fullest extent.

(29/06/2011 – FIDH (International Federation for Human Rights))

<http://www.fidh.org/United-Nations-Security-Council-Renews-MONUSCO-s>

Le Conseil de sécurité renouvelle le mandat de la Monusco.

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201107041267.html>

Monusco - l'éternelle tutelle.

(2/07/2011 – Le Potentiel – AllAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201107040642.html>

(3/07/2011 – Fasozine – AllAfrica)

On the 28th of June, the UN security council adopted resolution 1991 which prolongs the mandate of MONUSCO until 30 June 2012. The commander of Monusco reaffirms the determination of the peacekeepers to secure peace and reduce activism of armed groups.

UN Mission Launches New Military Offensive in DRC

(29/06/2011 – Voice of America)

<http://www.voanews.com/english/news/africa/UN-Mission-Launches-New-Military-Offensive-in-DRC-124727904.html>

La Monusco réaffirme son engagement à pacifier le Nord-Kivu

(1/07/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/07/01/la-monusco-reaffirme-son-engagement-a-pacifier-le-nord-kivu/>

Beni-Lubero: retombées positives de l'opération « Amani Yetu » de la Monusco, avec l'appui du gouvernement provincial.

(5/07/2011- Digitalcongo)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/76837>

UN forces have launched a one-week offensive in North Kivu province. The MONUSCO is taking action after attacks by rebel groups.

Province Orientale - La Monusco lance l'opération Utafuti Ya Tai

(5/07/2011 – Le Potentiel – AllAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201107050325.html>

MONUSCO recently launched an operation called “ Ya Tai Utafuti”. This operation aims to ensure the protection of the civilian population in the ‘province oriental’.

UN confirms at least 121 women raped in Congo.

(1/07/2011 – Reuters)

http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJOE76009X20110701?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

UN Team Confirms Mass Rapes Occurred in Remote Villages in East

(1/07/2011 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=38908&Cr=Democratic&Cr1=Congo> (English)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=25743&Cr=Congo&Cr1=Congo> (Français)

UN team finds Congo troops raped 121 women, pillaged village in restive east

(1/07/2011 – Washington Post)

http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/un-reports-that-121-women-raped-by-congo-troops-in-restive-east/2011/07/01/AG5UjGtH_story.html?wprss=

U.N. human rights investigators have confirmed that at least 121 women were raped by Congolese troops who attacked and looted villages in the lawless east last month, a United Nations spokesman said on Friday.

Viols massifs à Fizi - La Monusco déploie une mission d'évaluation conjointe au Sud-Kivu.

(29/06/2011 – Le Potentiel – AllAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201106290635.html>

Sud-Kivu - 248 viols commis en 3 jours par des soldats.

(5/07/2011 – Radio Netherlands Worldwide)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201107050719.html>

Mass Rape Expands the Range and Depth of Violence Against Villagers.

(4/07/2011 – Doctors without borders – AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107051104.html>

As medical teams in the South Kivu province of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) respond to yet another incident of mass rape in the region, Operations Manager Katrien Coppens explains how ordinary people in the conflict-ridden east of the country are being targeted. Around 248 women have been violated between 10 - 13 July in South Kivu by former Mai-Mai who have now been integrated in the army.

Viols massifs à Fizi - La Monusco déploie une mission d'évaluation conjointe au Sud-Kivu.

(29/06/2011 – Le Potentiel – AllAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201106290635.html>

The special representative of the Secretary General of the UN in the DRC, Roger Meece, declared he was deeply concerned by reports of mass rapes in the Fizi territory, South Kivu.

Beni: un an après l'attaque de l'ADF/Nalu, la société civile exige réparation.

(29/06/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/06/29/beni-un-an-apres-l-attaque-de-l%E2%80%99adfnalu-la-societe-civile-exige-reparation/#more-95727>

Eight persons killed, five wounded and infrastructure demolished in Mutwanda, North Kivu after attacks from the ADF/Nalu (Ugandan rebels).

Le comité de suivi des accords de Goma réuni depuis mardi à Kinshasa.

(2/07/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/07/02/le-comite-de-suivi-des-accords-de-goma-reuni-depuis-mardi-a-kinshasa/>

The monitoring committee of the Goma peace agreement has been meeting in Kinshasa since June 26. The committee includes the Congolese government and several representatives of former armed groups who used to be active in North and South Kivu.

Guestblog. Why are there so many armed groups in the DRC?

(4/07/2011 – Congo Siasa)

<http://congosiasa.blogspot.com/>

A blog about armed groups in the DRC written by j.Verweijen, PhD candidate at the Centre for Conflict Studies, University of Utrecht.

Rumangabo: retour au calme, après le soulèvement des FARDC.

(3/07/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/07/03/rumangabo-retour-au-calme-apres-le-soulevement-des-fardc/>

Traffic has returned along the Goma-Rutshuru road and calm has returned in North Kivu after an uprising of the FARDC.

Walikale: les communautés Hunde et Nyanga en appellent à une cessation des hostilités.

(4/07/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/07/04/walikale-les-communautes-hunde-et-nyanga-en-appellent-a-une-cessation-des-hostilites/>

The Hunde and Nyanga communities of the Walikale territory have called for a ceasefire and peaceful coexistence.

Un ouvrage publié par le Pnud/Rdc interpelle sur la prolifération des armes à l'Est.

(5/07/2011 – Digitalcongo)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/76854>

Small arms in the eastern part of Congo: survey on the perception of is insecurity” is the title of a survey conducted by the GRIP in partnership with BICC. The survey aims to understand ‘the perception of insecurity’ and the corresponding proliferation of small arms and light weapons in the provinces of North and South Kivu, Maniema and the districts of Ituru and Katanga.

Déclaration du Porte Parole de la Haute Représentante Catherine Ashton sur le verdict de la Haute Cour militaire en République démocratique du Congo.

(29/06/2011 – EU)

http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_Data/docs/pressdata/FR/foraff/123242.pdf

Reaction of Catherine Ashton on the verdict of the Military Court on the Chebeya case.

Intolérance politique et appel à la haine tribale au Katanga.

(1/07/2011 – Le Potentiel – AllAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201107010193.html>

The article concerns extreme violence in the face of the upcoming elections. The violence is directed towards people who do not originate from the Katanga province.

Katanga: le Renadhoc dénonce l'intolérance politique en période préélectorale

(4/07/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/07/04/katanga-le-renadhoc-denonce-l%E2%80%99intolerance-politique-en-periode-preelectorale/>

The national network of Human Rights NGOs in the DRC (RENADHOC) has denounced the persistent insecurity, political intolerance and pre-election tensions recorded in the province of Katanga.

DR Congo election protest turns violent, 1 dead.

(4/07/2011 – Reuters)

<http://af.reuters.com/article/drcNews/idAFABC12345620110704>

At least one person died in clashes in the Democratic Republic of Congo's capital on Monday, a doctor said, after police used tear gas to disperse opposition supporters protesting against alleged irregularities in voter registration.

Climat de tension à quelques mois des élections en RDC

(5/07/2011 – RFI – All Africa)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201107060003.html>

The police intervened to disperse hundred of opponent who gathered at the headquarters of the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) in Kinshasa to expose irregularities in the electoral process.

Bukavu: fête de l'indépendance, la société civile de la province boycotte l'événement et dénonce l'insécurité.

(30/06/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/06/30/bukavu-fete-de-l%E2%80%99independance-la-societe-civile-de-la-province-boycotte-l%E2%80%99evenement-et-denonce-l%E2%80%99insecurite/>

More than 200 civil society actors were protesting against the festivities of 51 years of independence. They were voicing concerns with regards to the insecurity, which is ravaging the region.

Crisis in the Congo: Uncovering the truth (movie)

(4/07/2011 – Pambazuka news)

<http://congojustice.org/about-the-film/>

The film, 'Crisis in the Congo: Uncovering The Truth' explores the role that the United States and its allies, Rwanda and Uganda, have played in triggering the greatest humanitarian crisis at the dawn of the 21st century.

Masisi: plus de 4 000 ménages des déplacés sans abri.

(1/07/2011 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2011/07/01/masisi-plus-de-4-000-menages-des-deplaces-sans-abri/>

More than 4000 households displaced in the Masisi territory, Nord Kivu.

Situation humanitaire en République Démocratique du Congo - Note d'information hebdomadaire à la presse, 29 juin 2011.

(29/06/2011 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://reliefweb.int/node/422961>

Bulletin d'Information Humanitaire - Province du Nord Kivu - 5 Juillet 2011.

(5/07/2011 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://reliefweb.int/node/423922>

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

Central African Soldiers Looked on as Bemba's Men Rampaged

(28/06/2011 – Bemba Trial Website - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201106291070.html>

Witness Unsure Whether Pillagers Were Bemba's Soldiers

(29/06/2011 – Bemba Trial Website - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201106300325.html>

It is possible that soldiers from the Central African Republic (CAR) army looked on as Congolese soldiers brutalized civilians in the capital Bangui, according to testimony heard today at the trial of war crimes accused Jean-Pierre Bemba.

UGANDA

More Police Deploy in Katakwi to Fight Rustling.

(5/07/2011 – The Monitor - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107050232.html>

The police have increased deployment in sub-counties of Katakwi District that border Karamoja sub-region following increased cases of cattle rustling by suspected Karimojong warriors. The rise in cattle rustling is threatening the peace and security of people who had started resettling in their homes after internally displaced persons' camps were disbanded last year.

Corporal paraded among armed suspects.

(1/07/2011 – New Vision)

<http://www.newvision.co.ug/detail.php?newsCategoryId=12&newsId=759055>

Nangai, the Officer in Charge (OC) Kikooge police post, Nakasongola district was arrested for allegedly hiring out a police rifle to thugs, one of them a Private in the UPDF, to facilitate robbery, thereby fan insecurity in the district and neighbouring areas.

FDC Question 'New' Rebel Group.

(1/07/2011 – The Monitor - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107010284.html>

Anxiety has engulfed the opposition FDC party after the state alleged that its officials and members arrested in connection with Col. Edison Muzoora's death recruited, mobilised and gathered intelligence information for the Uganda Peoples' Freedom Front and Forces of Constitutional Change, a hitherto unknown rebel outfit.

UPDF in Somalia Complain Over Pay Cuts.

(3/07/2011 – The Monitor - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107040463.html>

The successful UPDF operations in Somalia could be undermined by issues of remuneration as soldiers are complaining of delayed payment and unclear deductions from their allowances.

RWANDA

Clinton Hails Country for Preserving Peace in Africa.

(3/07/2011 – The New Times - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107040804.html>

US Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, has commended Rwanda's efforts in safeguarding and preserving peace on the African continent, saying that this signifies the country's commitment in ensuring peace on the continent.

Rwandan General Assassination Plot Trial Set to End.

(1/07/2011 – Radio France Internationale - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107010610.html>

In the Johannesburg magistrate's court Friday, state witness Kalia Mubarak is due to wrap up evidence in the trial of six foreign nationals accused of trying to assassinate former Rwandan General Faustin Kayamba Nyamwasa.

Witness testimony links Rwandan soldiers to shooting of Rwandan exiled in South Africa.

(29/07/2011 – Washington Post)

http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/africa/witness-testimony-links-rwandan-soldiers-to-shooting-of-rwandan-exiled-in-south-africa/2011/06/29/AGuqeUqH_story.html?wprss=rss_africa

Rwandan soldiers tied to general's shooting: witness

(29/06/2011 – Africa News)

http://www.terradaily.com/reports/Rwandan_soldiers_tied_to_generals_shooting_witness_999.html

One of the men accused of trying to kill a former Rwandan general exiled in South Africa said that Rwandan soldiers with plenty of cash and cars were behind the plot, a friend testified Wednesday

More Refugees Repatriated From DRC

(2/07/2011 – The New Times - AllAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201107040433.html>

As the implementation of the cessation clause on Rwandan refugees nears, the number of those returning home continues to rise. Just yesterday, 121 refugees residing in DRC were welcomed home by senior officials of the Ministry of Disaster Management and Refugee Affairs.

Des militaires français accusés de viols.

(28/06/2011 – Hirondelle News agency – AllAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201106290795.html>

Paris - Audience retardée pour trois Rwandaises accusant des militaires français de viols.

(29/06/2011 – Radio France Internationale – AllAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201106290221.html>

Three Rwandan women filed a complaint for rape against French militaries involved in Operation Turquoise.

Rwanda Court Denies Bail to Brother of Opposition Leader.

(30/06/2011 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-06-30/rwanda-court-denies-bail-to-brother-of-opposition-leader.html>

A Rwandan court denied bail to Lt. Col Rugigana Ngabo, who was arrested in August on charges of threatening national security. "We are denying bail on the grounds that the charges he is facing are grave," Major Bernard Ndayisaba, the president of the Rwandan Military High Court, said at the hearing.

BURUNDI

Burundi detains five gunmen over attacks.

(5/07/2011 – Reuters)

http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJ0E7640GC20110705?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

Five gunmen were arrested after armed men launched simultaneous attacks near the capital Bujumbura on Monday night in the latest in a series of incidents that have raised fears of a fresh rebellion.

La CIRGL marque un pas de plus dans l'Assistance aux victimes des violences sexuelles.

(29/06/2011 – ICGLR - ReliefWeb)

<http://reliefweb.int/node/423222>

The article concerns a bill against sexual violence in Burundi.

L'opposition propose les conditions de négociations avec le pouvoir

(4/07/2011 –Afriqinfo)

<http://www.afriquinfos.com/articles/2011/7/4/burundi-181569.asp>

Sahwanya Frodebu proposed conditions of negotiations to the ruling regime in Bujumbura concerning the return of exiled opposition parties.

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From Kanga to Kitenge: exploring patterns of cultural change in the Kigoma region.

(May 2011 – IPIS)

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

The article discusses the current changes occurring in Kigoma, one of the poorest regions of Tanzania. For decades, the far-western corner and the point of convergence between Tanzania, Burundi and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) is seen as peripheral within its national state. However, the steady move away from socialism to liberalism and the relative stability in the Great Lakes Region together with the associated reduction of refugee flows led to the gradual revaluation of Kigoma as a strategically important (business) center. The case of women's wear is used to explore whether and how recent national, regional and global social and economic changes affected Kigoma's cultural set-up.

Guide to Current Mining Reform Initiatives in Eastern DRC.

(April 2011 – IPIS)

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

US legislation has brought on a variety of initiatives aiming at mining reform in EDRC. This paper describes the basic elements of these initiatives, their genesis, the current state of affairs, the linkages between the initiatives and the main challenges they face. Further, the paper briefly evaluates the initiatives while focussing on the steps ahead.

The complexity of resource governance in a context of state fragility: The case of eastern DRC.

(November 2010 – IPIS / International Alert)

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

A host of publications over the last decade have highlighted the important role played by artisanal and small-scale mining of coltan, gold and cassiterite in the ongoing conflict in the DRC, yet there is still little awareness of the modus operandi of the various actors involved in the exploitation and trade of these minerals. It is vitally important that initiatives aimed at reforming the artisanal mining industry are based on a thorough knowledge of the political, economic and social dynamics at the grassroots level. This research report analyzes the trading networks within the mining sector and their links to military, economic and political actors in eastern DRC, focusing on the provinces of North and South Kivu, and Ituri District in Orientale Province.

MONUC/MONUSCO and Civilian Protection in the Kivus.

(February 2011 – IPIS)

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

Although UN peace operations have evolved over time, they still do not manage to address the Protection of Civilians (POC) in an effective way as this constitutes a relatively new role for UN peacekeepers. This also applies to the United Nations Mission in the Congo (MONUC) where civilian protection remains a major concern. This paper aims to uncover the challenges MONUC is facing in the country's eastern provinces, North and South Kivu, where civilians are most heavily targeted by violence.

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.

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)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/fck/file/20101202KIVUGL.pdf> (pdf)

La complexité de la gestion des ressources dans un contexte de fragilité de l'État : une analyse du secteur minier dans l'arrière-pays du Kivu.

(January 2011 – IPIS / International Alert)

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

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)

http://www.ipisresearch.be/att/20101203_4LAWA.pdf (pdf)

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)

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

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.

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.

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