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## IPIS

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### IPIS LATEST REPORTS

**From conflict resources to sustainable development: Memorandum by Fatal Transactions on the European Union's contribution to natural resource management in Africa**

(July 2008 – Fatal Transactions - IPIS)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/corporate-social-responsibility.php>

*IPIS drafted this publication for Fatal Transactions. The Memorandum looks specifically at the European Commission's contribution to a sustainable exploitation of natural resources in Africa and a sustainable supply chain. It also assesses its approach on conflict resources. The paper provides an analysis of the Commission's trade policy, development cooperation, foreign and security policy, cooperation under bilateral and multilateral agreements, humanitarian aid and financial assistance. It also takes a look at the Commission's view on integrating and implementing external actions in its internal policies (e.g. energy and environment) in order to promote a sustainable management of natural resources abroad.*

**L'Afrique révisé les contrats miniers.**

(July 2008 – Le Monde Diplomatique – IPIS)

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

*Article on the current contract revision projects throughout Africa.*

**Mapping Conflict Motives: Katanga update: December 2007-May 2008.**

(25/06/2008 – IPIS)

**Cartographie des motivations derrière les conflits: le cas du Katanga. Mise à jour : décembre 2007-mai 2008.**

(28/07/2008 – IPIS)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/natural-resources.php?&lang=en>

*This report is the second in a series of updates following an initial report on conflict motives in the Congolese province of Katanga. It analyses the most important security developments from December 2007 until May 2008.*

**Heeft Congo iets aan zijn mijnen?**

(June 2008 – MO\*magazine – IPIS)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/natural-resources.php?&lang=en>

*DRC possesses huge reserves of minerals. Although the mineral prices increase on the international market, Congo hardly profits.*

**Activity Report 2007**

(IPIS)

**Jaarverslag 2007**

(IPIS)

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

## **Fatal Transaction's submission on EIB Statement of Environmental and Social Principles and Standards.**

(June 2008 - IPIS)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/corporate-social-responsibility.php>

*Fatal Transactions and IPIS commented on the Bank's environmental and human rights policy and its approach on good governance and transparency.*

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## **Natural resources in the Great Lakes Region**

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### **Kan technologie conflicthout uit de wereld helpen?**

(11/08/2008 – MO\*)

[http://mo.be/index.php?id=63&tx\\_uwnews\\_pi2\[art\\_id\]=22103&cHash=315c29c193](http://mo.be/index.php?id=63&tx_uwnews_pi2[art_id]=22103&cHash=315c29c193)

*Helveta, a UK software enterprise, thinks it might have developed a programme to map the supply chain of tropical wood and as such can stop the fuelling of conflict by trade in wood.*

### **Buy into Africa.**

(15/08/2008 – Investors Chronicle)

<http://www.investorchronicle.co.uk/InvestmentGuides/Shares/article/20080815/6503747a-6a00-11dd-83c2-00144f2af8e8/Buy-into-Africa.jsp>

*Africa is booming. African economies are growing at a rate of 5-6 per cent a year. Hedge funds, retail fund managers and private equity investors are swarming all over the continent, with the biggest potential seen in an area called sub-Saharan Africa. Naive investors would probably attribute this new-found fortune and enthusiasm to just one spectacularly successful industry – the resources business.*

### **Global miners eye riches of the sub Sahara – Report.**

(19/08/2008 – SteelGuru)

[http://steeltguru.com/news/index/2008/08/17/NTkwOTc%3D/Global\\_miners\\_eye\\_riches\\_of\\_the\\_sub\\_Sahara\\_-\\_Report.html](http://steeltguru.com/news/index/2008/08/17/NTkwOTc%3D/Global_miners_eye_riches_of_the_sub_Sahara_-_Report.html)

*It is reported that some Australian miners are preparing to spend up to USD 20 billion to develop new projects in sub Saharan Africa.*

### **World Bank announces countries eligible for avoided-deforestation credits.**

(18/08/2008 – Bank Information Center)

<http://www.bicusa.org/en/Article.3878.aspx>

*DRC and five other African countries were included in a list of 14 that will take part in the World Bank's controversial Forest Carbon Partnership Facility.*

### **How Diamonds Became a Power for Good in Africa.**

(18/08/2008 – Resource Investor)

<http://www.resourceinvestor.com/pebble.asp?relid=22977&phrase=rwanda>

*Africa's commodities, especially diamonds, have a bad development reputation. But they have also been given a bad rap.*

**'Grondstoffencorrectie vormt koopkans'**

(11/08/2008 – De Tijd)

[http://www.tijd.be/geld\\_beleggen/artikel/Grondstoffencorrectie\\_vormt\\_koopkans'.7911952-1381.art](http://www.tijd.be/geld_beleggen/artikel/Grondstoffencorrectie_vormt_koopkans'.7911952-1381.art)

*The article considers the price decline of mineral commodities and its consequences for the mining companies.*

**DRC****Congo-Kinshasa: Les entreprises minières contraintes à déclarer les droits et taxes versés au Trésor.**

(13/08/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808130322.html>

(13/08/2008 – Le Potentiel – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/52967>

*Mining enterprises working in the DRC have to obey to the Ministry of Mines and pay their taxes to the Congolese National Treasury.*

**Deal to end DRC tin export block expected next week.**

(16/08/2008 – Reuters – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page36?oid=59876&sn=Detail>

**Settlement in sight for Congo tin export strike.**

(18/08/2008 – Reuters - MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=17918>

*The Congo's Deputy Mines Minister, Victor Kasongo, thinks there can be a deal next week to end a dispute between tin exporters and the government over export taxes which has brought export shipments to a halt.*

**Congo Tin Exporters Offer to Pay Higher Tax to Resume Shipments.**

(13/08/2008 – Bloomberg; published by allAfrica – 14/08/2008)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=17905>

*Tin exporters in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Africa's biggest producer of the metal, offered to increase tax payments to resolve a dispute that has halted shipments.*

**Lubumbashi : la Fec approuve la mesure gouvernementale exigeant les visas de sortie des minerais.**

(13/08/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=19925>

(15/08/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808150579.html>

*From now on exporters of minerals should possess export visa before arriving at the border post control. This measure should reduce the waiting time at the Congolese border in Katanga.*

**Congo-Kinshasa: Ituri - 2800 enfants travaillent dans les carrières d'or de Mongwalu.**

(13/08/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808130381.html>

*According to research conducted last month, there are 2800 children working as artisanal gold miners in Ituri.*

**Katanga: coltanrush doet prijzen landbouwproducten stijgen in Kanyama.**

(16/08/2008 – CongoForum)

<http://www.congoforum.be/ndl/nieuwsdetail.asp?subitem=1&newsid=147253&Actualiteit=selected>

**Kanyama : ruée vers le coltan, hausse générale des prix des produits alimentaires.**

(15/08/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=19966>

*Prices of agricultural products more than doubled during the last year in Kanyama, because most farmers hope to do better as a coltan miner.*

**BHP Cobalt Price Falls 33% to One-Year Low of \$28 (Update3).**

(15/08/2008 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=newsarchive&sid=aT5aSiGytlhE>

*Global production of cobalt is forecast to increase as mines in the Democratic Republic of Congo expand or begin operating in response to an earlier jump in prices.*

**Congo-Kinshasa: Portefeuille - L'IDC approuve un financement de 140 millions en faveur de la Miba.**

(13/08/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808130383.html>

(13/08/2008 – Le Potentiel – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/52968>

*The South African firm Industrial Development Corporation would be planning to invest \$140 million in Miba to relaunch its activities.*

**D.R.Congo tries to elbow way into Africa oil club.**

(14/08/2008 – Reuters – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=17912>

**Congo-Kinshasa: Hydrocarbures - projet de création d'une structure de sécurisation de l'industrie pétrolière.**

(13/08/2008 – Le Potentiel; published by allAfrica – 14/08/2008)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808131052.html>

**Congo-Kinshasa: Politique des hydrocarbures?**

(14/08/2008 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808140652.html>

**Bientôt une nouvelle législation pour réglementer le secteur pétrolier en Rdc.**

(16/08/2008 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/53020>

**Democratic Republic of Congo's oil output – Factbox.**

(18/08/2008 – Reuters - MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=17920>

*DRC held its first national oil and gas congress this week, seeking to drum up interest and investment in its potentially lucrative but long ignored crude sector.*

**Congo-Kinshasa: Un congrès inopportun.**

(13/08/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808130382.html>

*The national Congress on hydrocarbons was an opportunity to expose the enormous oil reserves to be exploited in the DRC. The official figure at the end of the congress, presented by Minister Mende, was 350 million of barrels during 30 years of exploitation.*

**Code congolais des hydrocarbures : Pétrole, faut pas rêver.**

(13/08/2008 – Le Potential – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/52964>

*After new fluctuations in the prices of metallic and precious minerals, and the oil prospects at the Albert Graben and the Atlantic Coast, DRC wants to focus more on oil exploitation. However it is better that sober-mindedness prevails.*

**Le congrès sur le pétrole recommande la libéralisation du secteur pétrolier.**

(14/08/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=19942>

*More than 300 national and international experts at the national Congress on hydrocarbons made loads of recommendations concerning the Congolese oil exploitation. Several experts recommended liberalizing the Congolese oil sector.*

**Congo May Review Oil-Exploration, Production Deals, Mende Says.**

(13/08/2008 – Bloomberg; published by allAfrica – 14/08/2008)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=17906>

*The DRC may review oil-exploration and production agreements to force companies to develop infrastructure in the central African nation, Hydrocarbons Minister Lambert Mende said.*

**RDC : du pétrole dans la cuvette centrale.**

(13/08/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=19936>

*HRT, a Brazilian enterprise which explores for oil in DRC, announced there might be some oil reserves in the Congolese Central Basin.*

**African governments should finance Grand Inga project.**

(17/08/2008 – The Southern Times)

<http://www.southerntimesafrica.com/inside.aspx?sectid=540&cat=10>

*In the DRC, the Inga Dam Hydroelectric Project, touted for a long time as a water source with the hydroelectric potential to "light up the whole of Africa", is slowly becoming a curse rather than a boon to the country. Indeed the lucrative project is now the cause of a new great Scramble for Africa, hence its new name: the Grand Inga Project.*

## UGANDA

**Uganda: Bunyoro Kingdom Officials Tour Oil Wells.**

(15/08/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 18/08/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808180092.html>

**Uganda: Bunyoro Ministers Tour Kingdom's Oil Sites.**

(15/08/2008 – The Monitor – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808150468.html>

*Bunyoro Kingdom ministers on Sunday toured some oil fields on the shores of Lake Albert. The officials wanted to acquaint themselves with the activities being done by Tullow Oil in oil exploration.*

**Uganda: Conservationists Okay Hoima Oil Exploration.**

(14/08/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 15/05/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808150246.html>

*Civil society organisations have backed the ongoing exploitation of fossil fuels in western Uganda. They noted that the project would address underdevelopment and poverty in the country.*

**Uganda: Powerline to Go Through Mabira.**

(17/08/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 18/08/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808180233.html>

*The Government has given away a strip of Mabira forest reserve for the construction of the Bujagali hydro-electricity powerline.*

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## International mining companies in the Great Lakes Region

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### DRC

**Big cuts in 2008 copper and cobalt production expected by Katanga Mining.**

(13/08/2008 – Reuters – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page36?oid=59572&sn=Detail>

*Katanga Mining has reduced its 2008 production forecast for copper production by 18% to 27,500 tonnes, and expects cobalt production to fall by 7% to 2,700 tonnes.*

**First Quantum's Q2 profit up on strong prices, higher sales volumes.**

(13/08/2008 – Mining Weekly)

[http://www.miningweekly.com/article.php?a\\_id=140711](http://www.miningweekly.com/article.php?a_id=140711)

*First Quantum Minerals, which operates in the DRC, Zambia and Mauritania, second-quarter profit has increased by 69% to \$208-million, it reported this week.*

**Cash-flush Anvil may consider acquisitions.**

(18/08/2008 – Mining Weekly)

[http://www.miningweekly.com/article.php?a\\_id=141006](http://www.miningweekly.com/article.php?a_id=141006)

*Copper-miner Anvil Mining will certainly consider acquisition opportunities, in the Democratic Republic of Congo and elsewhere in Africa, but, for now, is mainly focused on completing its Kinsevere Stage II project.*

**Shituru Project Update - IBX appoints Director of Operations.**

(19/08/2008 – Canda Newswire)

<http://www.newswire.ca/en/releases/archive/August2008/19/c5181.html>

*International Barytex Resources is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. David Newton as Director of Operations. Mr. Newton has had a long career at a number of mine operations, most recently as General Manager at Anvil Mining's Dikulushi mine in the DRC.*

**Banro Files NI 43-101 Technical Report on Twangiza Pre-Feasibility Study.**

(19/08/2008 – Canda Newswire)

<http://www.cnw.ca/fr/releases/archive/August2008/18/c4706.html>

*Banro Corporation is pleased to announce the results of the Pre-Feasibility Study on its wholly-owned Twangiza gold project in South Kivu Province, DRC.*

**Nevada Bob's announces signing of definite agreement in connection with its change of business.**

(19/08/2008 – Canda Newswire)

<http://www.newswire.ca/en/releases/archive/August2008/18/c4965.html>

*Nevada Bob's International Inc. is pleased to announce that it has acquired 100% of the issued and outstanding shares of Loncor Resources. Loncor is a private company that holds as its primary asset all of the shares of Loncor Resources Congo SPRL.*

## UGANDA

**Vangold Increases Land Position in West Nile, Uganda.**

(15/08/2008 – MarketWatch)

<http://www.marketwatch.com/news/story/vangold-increases-land-position-west/story.aspx?guid=%7B7985D7E4-F7C7-46F8-831D-4639F5389001%7D&dist=hppr>

*Vangold Resources have increased their land holdings in the West Nile District of Uganda (Kilo Moto), having recently completed a reconnaissance exploration program.*

**Uganda: MPs Attack Tamoil's Oil Pipeline Contract.**

(17/08/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 18/08/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808180278.html>

*MPS have accused the Government of handing over development of the Kenya-Uganda oil pipeline to a private company, Tamoil.*

## RWANDA

**Rwanda: Vangold Resources to Do New Survey for Gas in Lake Kivu.**

(9/08/2008 – The East African; published by allAfrica – 19/08/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808190297.html>

*Canadian firm Vangold Resources Ltd has reported that it has signed a service agreement with New Resolution Geophysics, a South African company, to conduct a new survey for gas in the Kivu Graben of Rwanda.*

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## China in the Great Lakes Region

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**Bretton Woods Institutions send mixed messages about China's role in Africa.**

(19/08/2008 – Bank Information Center)

<http://www.bicusa.org/en/Article.3877.aspx>

*Since the Chinese economy has taken off and it has increasingly looked to Africa to provide raw materials, the World Bank and IMF have been confronted with the question of how to respond. Recent statements by the institutions have shown that these responses are careful and at times contradictory.*

**Congo-Kinshasa: Katanga - des investisseurs chinois inspectent deux carrières de la Gecamines à Kolwezi.**

(13/08/2008 – Le Potentiel; published by allAfrica – 14/08/2008)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808131062.html>

*A delegation of Chinese engineers arrived in Kolwezi to examine the mining sites of Dikulwe and Mashamba.*

**Kasangulu : remise officielle d'une nouvelle carrière aux entreprises chinoises.**

(14/08/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=19947>

**Congo-Kinshasa: Bas-Congo - le gouvernement congolais entre en possession de la carrière de Ngudiabaka.**

(15/08/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808150473.html>

*A stone quarry near Kinshasa has been handed over to the Chinese investment group Crec.*

**Une société chinoise offre des cadeaux aux ancêtres pour l'achat d'une mine.**

(15/08/2008 – AFP)

<http://afp.google.com/article/ALeqM5jTFbXnQT5YhytCzk-FteucAQ6u0Q>

(16/08/2008 – CongoForum)

<http://www.congoforum.be/fr/nieuwsdetail.asp?subitem=1&newsid=147262&Actualiteit=selected>

*The Chinese company Crec has offered some presents to the Congolese ancestor, complying with local rites, for the exploitation of a stone quarry.*

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## Arms trade / Security in the Great Lakes Region

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**Uganda: Great Lakes Countries Have Up to December to Mark Guns.**

(19/08/2008 - The Monitor - allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808190216.html>

**Uganda Given Ultimatum to Brand State Firearms.**

(18/08/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 19/08/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808190164.html>

*Countries in the Great Lakes region have been given up to December 30 to brand all light and small weapons in their possession as a means of checking on soaring proliferation of illegal guns. The Executive Director of the Regional Center for Small Arms-Nairobi Chapter, urged regional member states to observe the deadline.*

**Don't Join Rebel Groups, Youth Told.**

(12/08/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 13/08/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808130176.html>

*The regional cooperation minister Musumba made the remark during the national youth meeting on the implementation of the Pact on Security, Stability and Development for the Great Lakes region at Hotel Africana in Kampala. The pact was signed in Nairobi, Kenya in December 2006.*

## DRC

### **Congo-Kinshasa: Des soldats indiens de la Monuc accusés d'abus sexuels.**

(13/08/2008 – Le Potentiel; published by allAfrica – 14/08/2008)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808131053.html>

### **DR Congo: UN official underscores zero tolerance for sexual misconduct.**

(13/08/2008 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=27695&Cr=monuc&Cr1=>

*Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said he was “deeply troubled” by the outcome of a probe that has revealed prima facie evidence that a number of Indian peacekeepers, previously assigned to one of the units with the MONUC, may have engaged in sexual exploitation and abuse.*

### **Congo-Kinshasa: «Tolérance zéro » à la Monuc - L'Inde enquête sur les allégations d'abus sexuels de ses troupes en RDC.**

(16/08/2008 – Le Potentiel; published by allAfrica – 18/08/2008)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808180694.html>

(16/08/2008 – Le Potentiel; published by Digitalcongo.net – 18/08/2008)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/53031>

### **India probes UN sex charges in DR Congo.**

(14/08/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=17907>

*The Indian army said that it was investigating UN allegations its troops had engaged in sexual abuse while on peacekeeping duties in the DRC.*

### **UN's top man in Congo sees silver lining amid humanitarian crisis.**

(15/08/2008 – UNHCR)

<http://www.unhcr.org/news/NEWS/48a57acdf.html>

*Excerpts from an interview with Ross Mountain, UN Secretary-General's Deputy Special Representative in the DRC concerning the security situation in the country.*

### **North Kivu: FARDC launches new campaign against human rights abuses.**

(12/08/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=17897> (English)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=17898> (French)

*Two FARDC commanders invited MONUC and the press to a conference in Goma, to announce the decision of the FARDC hierarchy to fight against rape and human rights abuses perpetrated by their troops, through follow up committees which will be established within all the military regions of the country.*

### **Congo-Kinshasa: Grâce à la Monuc - Deux bataillons des FARDC terminent leur formation à Luberezi.**

(13/08/2008 – Le Potentiel; published by allAfrica – 14/08/2008)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808131057.html>

### **Luberizi : 1900 soldats FARDC achèvent une formation complémentaire assurée par la Monuc.**

(14/08/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=19948>

### **South Kivu: MONUC completes the training of two more FARDC integrated battalions.**

(14/08/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=17909> (English)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=17910> (French)

**Les 15ème et 16ème bataillons des Fardc achèvent leur formation au Sud-Kivu.**  
(14/08/2008 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/52980>

*Two more FARDC integrated battalions completed their training undertaken by MONUC forces in Luberizi camp, South Kivu province.*

**South Kivu: Special Representative of the Secretary General Alan Doss visits the area of Minembwe.**

(15/08/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=17915> (English)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=17914> (French)

**Goma : Alan Doss rencontre les signataires de l'acte d'engagement de Goma.**

(19/08/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20001>

*The purpose of the visit was to evaluate the situation on the ground in light of the decisions taken during the last meeting of the Amani Programme Steering Committee, held in Goma on 6 August last.*

**Alan Doss: This visit gave me a good understanding of the realities on the ground.**

(18/08/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=17921> (English)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=17927> (French)

*Alan Doss addressed the media at a press conference held in Bukavu, South Kivu, where he explained the aim and highlights of his visit.*

**FARDC et Pareco s'affrontent dans le Masisi.**

(17/08/2008 – Radio Okapi)

[http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&l=0&c=0&a=19986&da=&of=2&s=&m=2&k=0&r=all&sc=0&id\\_a=0](http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&l=0&c=0&a=19986&da=&of=2&s=&m=2&k=0&r=all&sc=0&id_a=0)

**RDC: Des rebelles maï-maï tentent de voler la solde de militaires congolais.**

(18/08/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=17922>

**Rebels attack army camp in DR Congo.**

(19/08/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=17928>

**Retour au calme à l'est de la RDC après les affrontements de samedi dernier.**

(18/08/2008 – Jeune Afrique)

[http://www.jeuneafrique.com/jeune\\_afrique/article\\_depeche.asp?art\\_cle=APA74938r&etouereinre0](http://www.jeuneafrique.com/jeune_afrique/article_depeche.asp?art_cle=APA74938r&etouereinre0)

**Bukombo : le calme revient après les affrontements.**

(18/08/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=19999>

*Violent confrontations noticed in Masisi between Pareco Maï Maï fighters and the Congolese national army.*

**Congo-Kinshasa: L'insécurité refait surface en Ituri.**

(15/08/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808150471.html>

**Congo-Kinshasa: Insécurité à l'Est de la RDC.**

(15/08/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200808150561.html>

**L'insécurité refait surface au Nord-Kivu : quatre personnes tuées à Goma.**

(14/08/2008 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/52985>

**Congo-Kinshasa: Peace Remains Elusive in East Despite Deal.**

(9/08/2008 – The East African; published by allAfrica – 19/08/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808190619.html>

*Articles on the enduring insecurity in the eastern DRC.*

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*Laurent Nkunda has been accused of installing a parallel administration in Rutshuru.*

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*Katanga province was known as the "triangle of death" because of fighting between the Congolese army and Mayi Mayi militias who killed, raped, pillaged, burned villages to the ground and displaced some 220,000 people in 2005 and 2006. Today it's a different story, thanks to the reintegration and rehabilitation efforts of UNHCR and its partners.*

**ICRC doubles humanitarian efforts in Congo.**

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### **Accord sur le rapatriement des réfugiés burundais en RDC et des Congolais du Burundi.**

(17/08/2008 – Reliefweb)

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### **UGANDA: Chissano in Gulu to salvage LRA-Govt peace deal.**

(18/08/2008 – IRIN)

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*The UN special envoy for LRA-affected areas, Joachim Chissano, has said LRA leader Joseph Kony is finally willing to sign a deal to end more than 20 years of conflict in northern Uganda, but only after meeting personally with the mediator of peace talks.*

### **Uganda: 460 Tons of Bombs to Be Destroyed.**

(12/08/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 13/08/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200808130158.html>

*A total of 463 tons of bombs and grenades are to be destroyed in a one-month-long exercise being carried out by experts from South Africa.*

### **Drums of war across the borders.**

(14/08/2008 – The Economist)

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*In March, after nearly two years of on-and-off peace talks, negotiators for Uganda's LRA announced that their leader, Joseph Kony, was at last ready to emerge from the bush and sign a deal to end one of Africa's longest wars. But since peace talks with the rebels collapsed again, some say war must resume.*

## **BURUNDI**

### **Burundi : renouer le dialogue politique.**

(19/08/2008 – International Crisis Group)

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*Burundi's political crisis is not solved and may yet jeopardise the country's future stability. The latest briefing from ICG, points out that disarmament has barely started, and no consensus has been reached on integrating former rebels into state and security institutions. Burundi cannot afford to have wasted three years in legislative gridlock and then move directly towards the preparation of the 2010 elections without delivering peace dividends.*

### **AU warns Burundi govt, rebels over truce.**

(12/08/2008 – Mail&Guardian)

<http://www.mg.co.za/article/2008-08-12-au-warns-burundi-govt-rebels-over-truce>

*African Union officials on Tuesday warned Burundi's government and its last active rebel group that its patience is wearing thin over the delayed implementation of a 2006 ceasefire.*

**Burundi Opposition Welcomes AU Call For Implementing Ceasefire.**

(13/08/2008 – VOAnews)

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*Burundi's main opposition FRODEBU party has welcomed calls by the African Union President on Pierre Nkurunziza's government to implement fully a ceasefire agreement signed almost two years ago.*

**BURUNDI: Land remains key challenge in reintegration of returnees.**

(19/08/2008 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/report.aspx?ReportID=79891>

*The complex problem of land remains a major challenge to the reintegration of returnees. Not only do many, if not all returnees have a land-dispute related story to tell, but land has become a scarce commodity. If the land issue is not dealt with adequately, it can be the source of potential violence.*

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**Congo: Unfinished Business.**

(July 2008 - All Party Parliamentary Group on the Great Lakes Region of Africa)

<http://www.africagreatlakes.org/>

*This document is intended as a summary of key issues and recommendations arising from the Group's mission to the DRC in April 2008, and related meetings and research.*

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(24/07/2008 – Global Financial Integrity)

<http://www.gfip.org/index.php?option=content&task=view&id=140>

*The DRC lost an estimated \$15.5 billion due to capital flight from 1980 to 2006, according to a new report from Global Financial Integrity, a program of the Center for International Policy.*

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(13/08/2008 – IMF)

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**Water and conflict: Making water delivery conflict-sensitive in Uganda.**

(August 2008 – Saferworld)

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