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IPIS

IPIS UPCOMING EVENTS

22 April – IPIS lecture, 'The role of NGOs', at the conference 'China, Africa and the EU, an Uneasy Relation', organised by UA and UAMS – University of Antwerp.

27 April – IPIS lecture, 'Sociaal economische realiteit van Congo', organised by ACV-Kempen – 20h, CC De Warande, Turnhout

Natural resources in the Great Lakes Region

Pillage des ressources naturelles - 1999-2004 - La RDC a perdu 10 milliards de dollars USD.

(14/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004140271.html>

Grands Lacs : la certification des minerais presque acquise.

(17/04/2010 – Radio Okapi – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/66226>

The International Conference on the Great Lakes Region, ICGLR, is planning to work out a certification system for the Great Lakes Region's minerals, after the example of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme.

Méthane du Kivu en tandem.

(14/04/2010 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Rwanda and the DRC will establish a new mixed agency for the management of Lake Kivu's methane gas.

IFC's mining investments: a black hole for human rights?

(16/04/2010 – Bretton Woods Project)

<http://www.brettonwoodsproject.org/art-566099>

A spate of human rights violations and environmental abuses by mining ventures backed by the International Finance Corporation (IFC), the private sector arm of the World Bank, is raising alarm over the inadequacy of its social and environmental standards.

DRC

DRC: Confronting a few inconvenient truths.

(16/04/2010 – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page72068?oid=102822&sn=Detail>

As the International Crisis Group puts it, "Unless the Congolese political authorities give new impetus to democratic transformation and institutional consolidation in 2010, the gains made during the transition could be at risk and the international investment in the giant country's stabilisation wasted". There are perceptions that if the cheapshot hustlers and fixers have their way with First Quantum, Tenke Fungurume will be targeted for similar criminal abuse, aimed at extorting hundreds of millions of dollars from perfectly legitimate miners, who comply with the world's most strenuous codes of corporate governance.

Congolese government bans export of raw mineral products.

(14/04/2010 – Afrique Avenir)

<http://www.afriqueavenir.org/en/2010/04/14/congolese-government-bans-export-of-raw-mineral-products/>

Interdiction des exportations des concentrés - la FEC monte au créneau.

(20/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004200410.html>

The Congolese federation of enterprise, FEC, decries the Minister of Mines Kabwelulu's statement to halt the export of raw mineral products.

La Miba dotée de 11 millions USD supplémentaires pour la relance de la production.

(16/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004160385.html>

The Congolese government is prepared to offer MIBA an extra financial support of US\$11 million to relaunch its production.

Le Lac Tanganyika attire les juniors.

(14/04/2010 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Kinshasa will soon launch a call for offers for the ten blocs of Lake Tanganyika. Several enterprises have already shown their interest.

Initialement prévu pour une production de 4.300MW - BHP Billiton propose de réduire Inga III à 3.500 MW.

(16/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004160384.html>

BHP propose de réduire Inga III.

(14/04/2010 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

BHP Billiton has convinced the Congolese government to reduce the intended energy production of Inga III from 4.300MW to 3.500MW.

Nord-Kivu - Masisi: les grands propriétaires terriens à la base des conflits fonciers.

(16/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004160429.html>

Masisi: des conflits fonciers source de torture.

(15/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/15/masisi-des-conflits-fonciers-source-de-torture/>

Large landowners are forcing farmers in Masisi territory to abandon their fields, so they can appropriate them themselves. Victims are complaining they are violently chased away.

Les non-dits d'une visite canadienne - L'affrontement « américano-européen » se précise en RDC.

(20/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004200970.html>

Gouverneure générale et commandante en chef du Canada.

(20/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004200400.html>

The succession of diplomatic missions to the DRC, to further cooperation, shows the importance of the Congolese natural resources and its geostrategic location.

UGANDA

Onok Told to Produce Oil Agreements.

(14/04/2010 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004150583.html>

Parliament has again directed the energy and mineral development minister, Hillary Onok, to submit the oil agreements to the House.

Oil Exploration Killing Wildlife – Experts.

(14/04/2010 – The Monitor – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004140781.html>

Toxic wastes from oil exploration and increased human presence at Murchison Falls National Park are killing animals experts told Parliament.

When Oil Begins to Sip Through Our Thoughts.

(20/04/2010 – The Monitor – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004200686.html>

When oil exploration in western Uganda took a more 'serious' turn, it was always going to be a matter of time before a war erupts between environmentalists and natural conservationists on one side and those who now believe oil is the item to protect in Uganda than any natural resource the country has had before. The latest of these contraries in the pursuit of oil is last week's altercation between environmental expert Edgar Buhanga and Energy Minister Hilary Onok on the Murchison Falls National Park.

L' UCMP pour la promo du brut.

(14/04/2010 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Uganda has established the Uganda Chamber of Mineral & Petroleum (UCMP) to attract investors for its oil and mineral sectors.

Iran, Uganda set for oil refinery talks.

(20/04/2010 – UPI.com)

http://www.upi.com/Science_News/Resource-Wars/2010/04/20/Iran-Uganda-set-for-oil-refinery-talks/UPI-50611271773680/

Uganda, Iran to discuss oil.

(20/04/2010 – New Vision)

<http://www.newvision.co.ug/D/10/10/716904>

Iran, Uganda Leaders To Discuss Oil Investment Pledge-Officials.

(20/04/2010 – The Wall Street Journal)

http://online.wsj.com/article/BT-CO-20100420-701527.html?mod=WSJ_World_MIDDLEHeadlinesMideast

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad is expected Friday in Uganda to discuss building an oil refinery in the energy-rich African nation.

Uganda moves closer to Kenya oil pipeline.

(19/04/2010 – UPI.com)

http://www.upi.com/Science_News/Resource-Wars/2010/04/19/Uganda-moves-closer-to-Kenya-oil-pipeline/UPI-99361271696523/

The Ugandan president called on his energy minister to seek a memorandum of understanding with Kenya for construction of a bilateral oil pipeline. Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni called on Energy Minister Hilary Onk to approach Kenyan officials over the construction of an oil pipeline planned between the two countries.

UN programme addresses underlying causes of hunger in Uganda.

(14/04/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=34362&Cr=world+food&Cr1=> (English)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=21690&Cr=Ouganda&Cr1=> (French)

WFP to Launch New Emergency Operation, Change Approach in Uganda's Karamoja Region.

(13/04/2010 – WFP - Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/EGUA-84HLM4?OpenDocument&RSS20=18-P>

The UN World Food Programme is launching a new livelihood programme designed to address the underlying causes of food shortages in Karamoja, the poorest and most marginalised region in Uganda which has not had a successful harvest in five years and where more than 80 per cent of the population lives in poverty.

International mining companies in the Great Lakes Region

New Book by Southern Africa Resource watch: South African Mining Companies in Southern Africa.

(9/04/2010 – SARW)

<http://www.sarwatch.org/publications/research-reports/36-research-reports/1314-new-book-by-southern-africa-resource-watch-south-african-mining-companies-in-southern-africa.html>

South African companies are increasingly looking for investment opportunities in the wider SADC region in a bid to benefit from favourable international markets for minerals, in competition with western and Asian companies. These investments have social and environmental impacts on people working in, and living around, mines.

DRC

Kilo Goldmines Update on Somituri Project Exploration.

(14/04/2010 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/Kilo-Goldmines-Update-on-Somituri-Project-Exploration-TSX-VENTURE-KGL-1147891.htm>

Kilo Goldmines Ltd. is pleased to provide an update on its gold exploration activities on the Company's Somituri project in north-eastern DRC. The Company has a 70% interest in the DRC entity that holds the Somituri project Exploitation Permits.

Province Orientale : KibaliGoldmines un projet prometteur aux multiples défis.

(20/04/2010 – Radio Okapi – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/66276>

KibaliGoldmines, a joint venture between RandGold Ressources, AngloGold Ashanti and Okimo, hopes to exploit 600 tonnes of gold in Ituri.

Randgold Resources Reports Rapid Progress on Kibali.

(20/04/2010 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/Randgold-Resources-Reports-Rapid-Progress-on-Kibali-LSE-RRS-1150742.htm>

Randgold Resources, the operator of the Kibali Gold Project has advised the government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo that the project is making rapid progress on the key issues related to the development of the Kibali gold project. The government has a 10% stake, through the parastatal OKIMO, in the project, which is the largest undeveloped gold deposit in Africa.

Cutting through red tape to strike gold in Congo.

(14/04/2010 - Globe Investor)

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/globe-investor/cutting-through-red-tape-to-strike-gold-in-congo/article1534764/?cmpid=rss1>

As it begins construction of the first modern gold mine in war-ravaged Congo, the junior Canadian miner Banro Corp. worries less about the violence than it does about the bureaucracy.

SOCO Secures Rig for Exploration Drilling on Nganzi.

(19/04/2010 – OilVoice)

http://www.oilvoice.com/n/SOCO_Secures_Rig_for_Exploration_Drilling_on_Nganzi/9e9ecaa20.aspx

SOCO International has secured the services of the onshore drilling rig, Caroil #1, owned by CAROIL SAS, for its exploration drilling programme in the Nganzi Block, onshore the DRC. The contract is for two firm and two contingent wells.

Pollution à Muanda, une plainte contre la société pétrolière Perenco.

(19/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/19/pollution-a-muanda-une-plainte-contre-la-societe-petroliere-perenco/>

Petroleum company Perenco has been accused of pollution in Muanda, Bas-Congo.

UGANDA

Oil - Environment Watchdog Questions Tullow Activities.

(17/04/2010 – The Monitor – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004190105.html>

The national environmental governing body has faulted petroleum explorer, Tullow Oil, on a number of issues that have left the surrounding at risk of destruction, Saturday Monitor has learnt. Among the issues raised is that Tullow's environment experts were unqualified.

Uganda Officials Say Eni Wants Back In To Oil Sector.

(14/04/2010 – The Wall Street Journal)

http://online.wsj.com/article/BT-CO-20100414-710016.html?mod=WSJ_World_MIDDLEHeadlinesEurope

Ugandan officials Wednesday said Eni SpA asked the government to be allowed to re-enter the country's oil sector, though a spokesman for the Italian oil and gas company downplayed any renewed effort to invest in the African nation. Eni announced that it had quit the country's oil sector in February after U.K.-based Tullow Oil PLC pre-empted its \$1.5 billion deal with Heritage Oil PLC for half stakes in blocks 1 and 3A in the Lake Albert basin.

Arms trade / Security in the Great Lakes Region

Obama Expands Military Involvement in Africa.

(2/04/2010 – IPS)

<http://ipsnews.net/news.asp?idnews=50898>

When Pres. Barack Obama took office in January 2009, it was widely expected that he would dramatically change, or even reverse, the militarised and unilateral security policy that had been pursued by the George W. Bush administration toward Africa, as well as toward other parts of the world. After one year in office, however, it is clear that the Obama administration is following essentially the same policy that has guided U.S. military policy toward Africa for more than a decade. Indeed, the Obama administration is seeking to expand U.S. military activities on the continent even further.

The African Union and Security Sector Reform.

(2/04/2010 – Friedrich Ebert Stiftung – The Current Analyst)

<http://www.currentanalyst.com/index.php/security-assessment/117-the-african-union-and-security-sector-reform>

While the AU's attempt is encouraging, it has shortcomings, and a case can be made that SSR requires a new approach and mechanism and should be supported in a much more strategic, patient and regional manner. Africa is the largest 'market' for SSR and SSR-related services. African ownership, however, remains limited. The AU should provide that.

Coopération transfrontalière: réunion entre gouverneurs congolais, rwandais et burundais.

(19/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/19/cooperation-transfrontaliere-reunion-entre-gouverneurs-congolais-rwandais-et-burundais/>

Congolese, Rwandan and Burundian governors gathered in Gisenyi, in the framework of CEPGL, to talk about security issues, refugees and infrastructure in the border region.

DRC

Congo Conflict Escalating As Former Rebels Take Control of Mineral Trade.

(19/04/2010 – The East African – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004200061.html>

In recent investigations in the provinces of North and South Kivu, Global Witness discovered that former rebels from the CNDP who were integrated into the national army, are running violent extortion rackets which prey on the civilian population they are supposed to be protecting.

DRC: Humanitarian corridor opened for trapped civilians in northeast.

(15/04/2010 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/report.aspx?ReportId=88822> (English)

(16/04/2010 – IRIN – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004190707.html> (French)

The DRC government has opened a humanitarian corridor to provide safe passage for hundreds of civilians trapped by fighting between the army and rebel militias in Orientale Province, northeastern DRC.

RDC : La MONUC rejette les accusations d'un responsable congolais.

(14/04/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=21687&Cr=Congo&Cr1=>

The MONUC has rejected accusations by Kinshasa that its blue helmets would have failed to help civilians in danger in Mbandaka during the Enyele rebel attack.

Evénement de Mbandaka - Le gouvernement encourage l'enquête de la Monuc.

(16/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004160431.html>

Evénements de Mbandaka - La Monuc enquête, Mende se félicite!

(16/04/2010 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004160382.html>

La Monuc promet des révélations dans son rapport sur les incidents de Mbandaka.

(15/04/2010 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004150595.html>

The Congolese government declared it is satisfied with the MONUC's investigation on the events of the beginning of April in Mbandaka.

Dialogue entre le gouvernement et les Enyele: la Monuc dément.

(14/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/14/dialogue-entre-le-gouvernement-et-les-enyele-la-monuc-dement/>

The MONUC denies it has supported a dialogue between the Congolese government and the Enyele insurgents.

Uneasy Calm After Fighting in Northwest.

(15/04/2010 – IPS)

<http://www.ipsnews.net/news.asp?idnews=51054>

Fighting between "Enyéle" insurgents and regular armed forces in the northwestern Democratic Republic of Congo at the beginning of April left 18 people dead, including nine rebels, and triggered mass displacements from the region's principal city, Mbandaka.

Joseph Kabila prime sept officiers à Mbandaka.

(14/04/2010 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004140635.html>

Sept officiers des FARDC et de la PNC reçoivent des insignes distinctifs de bravoure.

(15/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004150153.html>

Mbandaka - Quatorze officiers et deux soldats de rang honorés pour leur bravoure.

(16/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004160426.html>

Several FARDC and PNC officers have received military honours for their bravery during the Enyele rebel assault on Mbandaka.

Assaut de Mbandaka par les Enyele - L'Assemblée nationale interpelle Adolphe Muzito.

(16/04/2010 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004160381.html>

On Wednesday, Congolese prime minister Muzito will answer questions in parliament on the Mbandaka assault by the Enyele rebels.

Affaire Enyele: Political aftershocks.

(18/04/2010 – Jason Stearns)

<http://congosiasa.blogspot.com/2010/04/affaire-enele-political-aftershocks.html>

The rebellion/insurgency in Equateur is, as predicted, now spilling over into the political domain. According to some sources in Kinshasa, the government is now investigating Jean-Yves Ollivier, a former arms broker and member of the old Francafric crowd from the Mitterand days. Ollivier was allegedly close to Jean-Pierre Bemba during the rebellion and reportedly helped him with logistics and weapons.

Kivu : Alliance des groupes armés - Une nouvelle menace de guerre.

(14/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004140281.html>

Article on the rebel coalition announced by Mai Mai Kifufua leader Didier Bitaki.

Les Mai Mai enlèvent 21 personnes dans les hauts plateaux d'Uvira.

(19/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/19/les-mai-mai-enlevent-21-personnes-dans-les-hauts-plateaux-duvira/>

Mai Mai UPCR rebels have abducted 21 civilians in Rubuga, Kangobwa and Kalungu villages in Uvira.

Congolese Hail Museveni On Peace.

(13/04/2010 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004140448.html>

The Congolese business community from Mahagi territory has hailed Presidents Yoweri Museveni and Joseph Kabila for restoring peace in the region.

Sud-Kivu - huit employés du CICR enlevés à Fizi.

(14/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004140273.html>

Article on the ICRC delegation that has been abducted by Mai Mai Yakutumba in Fizi, South Kivu.

DR Congo rebels release Red Cross workers.

(16/04/2010 – BBC)

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/8625823.stm>

Kidnapped aid workers released in Congo.

(12/04/2010 – BBC)

http://edition.cnn.com/2010/WORLD/africa/04/16/congo.aid.workers/index.html?eref=edition_africa&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+rss%2Fedition_africa+%28RSS%3A+Africa%29&utm_content=Bloglines

ICRC says all Congo hostages released safely.

(17/04/2010 – Reuters)

http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJ0E63G01C20100417?feedType=RSS&feedName=topNews&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+reuters%2FAFRICATopNews+%28News+%2FAFRICA+%2F+Top+News%29&utm_content=Bloglines

Les Maï Maï promettent la libération des employés du CICR.

(14/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/14/les-mai-mai-promettent-la-liberation-des-employes-du-cicr/>

Fizi: les huit membres du CICR libérés.

(16/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/16/bukavu-les-8-membres-du-cicr-liberes/>

Le CICR exige la libération de huit de ses agents enlevés par le Maï-Maï au Sud-Kivu.

(15/04/2010 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/66142>

Le groupe Maï-Maï Yakumba annonce pour ce jeudi la libération des agents du CICR capturés à Fizi.

(15/04/2010 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/66165>

The militia group's leader said they had been held "for their own safety". The self-styled General Aluri Yakutumba told the AFP news agency that there had been fighting in the area last week between his fighters and the FARDC. But an army spokesman in South Kivu, Capt Olivier Hamuli, told the Associated Press that the group had seized the ICRC workers to thwart an attack on its hideouts.

Ituri: environ 300 hommes armés aperçus à Di, au bord du lac Albert.

(16/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/16/ituri-environ-300-hommes-armes-apercus-a-di-au-bord-du-lac-albert/>

Since about a month 300 armed men are regrouping in Di and Kafé villages, at the border of Lake Albert. Their intentions or identity are still unknown.

Daniel Ngoy Mulunda met le cap sur le Grand Nord!

(15/04/2010 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004150599.html>

After Goma, Rutshuru and Kiwanja, PAREC has launched its 'arms for 50 dollars' campaign in Kanyabayonga.

Alan Doss presents UN Secretary-General's Report to UN Security Council.

(13/04/2010 – MONUC)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=932&ctl=Details&mid=1096&ItemID=8560> (English)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1069&ctl=Details&mid=1143&ItemID=8556> (French)

Alan Doss met en garde contre un retrait précipité de la Monuc.

(15/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004150155.html>

Kinshasa-New York - La MONUC refuse de partir.

(15/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004150168.html>

Monuc - Le plan du retrait dévoilé!

(15/04/2010 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004150162.html>

Douleur de séparation!

(15/04/2010 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004150598.html>

The Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for the DRC, Alan Doss, presented on 13 April the 31st report of the UN Secretary-General to the UN Security Council in New York. Reporting on the Mission's activities regarding the three essential tasks set out in resolution 1906 adopted on 23 December 2009 – protection of the civilian population; disarmament, demobilisation and repatriation and reintegration of armed Congolese and foreign armed groups; and support for the Government in security sector reform -- Mr. Doss said that progress had been made, although not consistently across the three areas."

UN's Congo trip dominated by peacekeepers' exit.

(15/04/2010 – Reuters)

http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJ0E63E0HH20100415?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

Le Conseil de Sécurité samedi à Kinshasa.

(16/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/16/le-conseil-de-securite-samedi-a-kinshasa/>

UN envoys prepare for battle over Congo peace troops.

(15/04/2010 – The National)

<http://www.thenational.ae/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20100416/FOREIGN/704159927/1017/NEWS>

Arrivée de la délégation du Conseil de sécurité ce samedi - Rencontre décisive.

(17/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004190347.html>

L'heure de vérité.

(17/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004190348.html>

A UN mission to DRC this weekend faces a tough task to convince the government not to press for a swift withdrawal of peacekeepers.

UN cancels Congo trip, more Iran talks planned.

(17/04/2010 – Reuters)

http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJ0E63F0NQ20100417?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

The U.N. Security Council has canceled a trip to the DRC as envoys from five key members planned further talks on a new round of sanctions against Iran, diplomats said on Friday. The official reason for the cancellation was the ash cloud from an Icelandic volcano that has caused air travel chaos across Europe, as announced by a U.N. spokesman. It was not immediately clear if the Security Council would attempt to reschedule the cancelled April 17-20 trip to Congo.

Unloved for trying to keep the peace.

(15/04/2010 – The Economist)

http://www.economist.com/world/middle-east/displaystory.cfm?story_id=15912838&fsrc=rss

Violence has been spreading again, but Congo's rulers still want the UN to go. If the peacekeepers were to leave in a hurry, Congo could descend again into mayhem. That, apparently, is a risk President Joseph Kabila may be willing to take, in the hope of finally being master of his own house.

UN mission's withdrawal from DRC in 2011 'premature'.

(14/04/2010 – Mail&Guadian)

<http://www.mg.co.za/article/2010-04-14-un-missions-withdrawal-from-drc-in-2011-premature>

A withdrawal of the United Nations mission in the DRC in 2011, as sought by Kinshasa, would be "premature," France's UN ambassador, Gerard Araud, said on Tuesday.

Pas de retrait précipité de la Monuc, message de la société civile à Alan Doss.

(18/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/18/pas-de-retrait-precipite-de-la-monuc-message-de-la-societe-civile-a-alan-doss/>

Civil Society representatives of Kinshasa demanded Alan Doss not to retreat the MONUC too hasty.

Est du pays - L'Onu-Habitat s'implique dans la résolution des conflits fonciers.

(16/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004160391.html>

Article on the cooperation between the Congolese government and UNHABITAT to prevent and mediate conflicts over land in eastern DRC following the return of refugees.

La MONUC vient de former 80 militaires au Nord-Kivu et 30 à Kisangani.

(15/04/2010 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004150597.html>

In the framework of security sector reform, the MONUC is continuing to offer capacity training to the FARDC.

Conflict-related rape the focus of UN official's visit to DR Congo.

(14/04/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=34372&Cr=democratic&Cr1=congo>

Bukavu: Margot Wallstrom réconforte les victimes de viol.

(17/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/17/ukavu-margot-wallstrom-reconforte-les-victimes-de-viol/>

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon's Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflict Margot Wallström is on her first tour since her appointment, conducting a week-long visit to the DRC where both rebels and the national army have been accused of mass rape.

Onu - Tête-à-tête Mwando Nsimba et Mme Margot Allstroem sur la réforme des FARDC.

(19/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004190425.html>

Margot Wallström gathered with Congolese minister of Defence Charles Mwando Nsimba, to talk about the reform of the FARDC.

DR Congo gang rape crisis 'spreading', new study says.

(15/04/2010 – BBC)

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/8621394.stm>

RDC : le viol est devenu une arme de guerre.

(15/04/2010 – BBC)

http://www.bbc.co.uk/french/news/story/2010/04/100415_rdcrape.shtml

Civilian rape rockets in DR Congo.

(15/04/2010 – Mail&Guardian)

<http://www.mg.co.za/article/2010-04-15-civilian-rape-rockets-in-drc>

Congo report shows rape is widespread.

(15/04/2010 – Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2010/apr/15/congo-rape-widespread-oxfam-report>

New report shows 'shocking pattern of rape' in eastern Congo.

(16/04/2010 – Afrique en ligne)

<http://www.afriquejet.com/news/africa-news/new-report-shows-%27shocking-pattern-of-rape%27-in-eastern-congo-2010041647820.html>

Trouver un programme efficace de lutte contre les violences sexuelles.

(18/04/2010 – IPS – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004190645.html>

Rép Dém Congo : Un nouveau rapport met en lumière les viols en série commis à l'Est du pays.

(15/04/2010 – Oxfam - Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/KHII-84J7K8?OpenDocument&RSS20=18-P>

"Now, The World is Without Me": An Investigation of Sexual Violence in Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo.

(15/04/2010 – Harvard Humanitarian Initiative/Oxfam – Human Security Report Project)

<http://www.humansecuritygateway.com/showRecord.php?RecordId=32777>

Oxfam study finds rape has risen 17-fold in past few years and become more pervasive in civilian life.

New legal clinic established to combat impunity for sexual violence in Kiwanja, North Kivu.

(15/04/2010 – MONUC)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=932&ctl=Details&mid=1096&ItemID=8582> (English)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1069&ctl=Details&mid=1143&ItemID=8580> (French)

The joint office UN Human Rights office and NGO CREDDHO recently established a new legal clinic in Kiwanja, North-Kivu. This activity is part of the legal and judiciary dimension of the Prevention and Response to Sexual Violence in the North and South Kivu provinces.

Montée de l'insécurité à Butembo-Lubero.

(18/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/18/montee-de-linsecurite-a-butembo-lubero/>

Civil society complains about the rise in insecurity in Beni and on the Butembo-Goma axis.

U.S. Assists Angolans Expelled from DR Congo.

(13/04/2010 – AngolaPress – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004140048.html>

The US embassy in Angola is releasing USD 50,000 on Tuesday in Luanda, for humanitarian assistance to nationals expelled from the neighbouring Democratic Republic of Congo.

Le retour des réfugiés congolais du Rwanda préoccupe les intellectuels du Nord-Kivu.

(15/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/15/le-retour-des-refugies-congolais-du-rwanda-preoccupe-les-intellectuels-du-nord-kivu/>

The 'Mouvement intellectuel pour le changement' has expressed its concern about the return of Congolese refugees from Rwanda to North Kivu, because two months after the signing of the tripartite agreement on the return of refugees, no provisions are visible on the ground.

10 % des Congolais du pays sont en phase de crise alimentaire.

(15/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004150167.html>

Article on the WFP and FAO's common press conference on the alarming malnutrition rates in the DRC.

DRC: Fighting foils exams in South Kivu.

(16/04/2010 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/report.aspx?ReportId=88836>

Hundreds of final year secondary school students have been unable to sit all their national exams due to fighting between a faction of the Mayi-Mayi militia and the army in the eastern Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) territory of Fizi, South Kivu Province, say officials.

RD Congo : Rapport de la mission inter agence sur l'Axe Dungu – Bitima du 25 au 28 mars 2010.

(28/03/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/AZHU-84NS82?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

Situation humanitaire en République Démocratique du Congo : Note d'information à la presse, 14 avril 2010.

(14/04/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

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RDC : Bulletin d'information humanitaire, 16 avril 2010 - Provinces du Centre et de l'Ouest.

(16/04/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

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DR Congo: Humanitarian Situation in Equateur Province - Snapshot report, 19 April 2010.

(19/04/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/VDUX-84NSAN?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

RDC : Bulletin d'information humanitaire, 19 avril 2010 - Province du Nord Kivu.

(19/04/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/NMUO-84PR6U?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

DR Congo: Humanitarian Situation in the Kivus and Maniema Province - Snapshot report, 19 April 2010.

(19/04/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/VDUX-84NS8K?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

Humanitarian Situation in the Orientale Province of the DRC: Snapshot report, 19 April 2010.

(19/04/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/VDUX-84NSBY?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

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

FDLR

Genocide Survivors Call for Action Against FDLR.

(14/04/2010 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004140102.html>

Genocide Survivors have called upon regional countries and the international community to bring an end to the 'international impunity' shown through the support given to FDLR whose sole objective is to "exterminate the Tutsi."

Selon Ocha - Les FDLR enlèvent des civils à Walikale et à Bendera.

(16/04/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004160433.html>

OCHA declared the FDLR rebels have abducted 63 civilians during assaults on 13 and 21 March in Walikale territory.

LRA

Niangara: les LRA tuent trois personnes et mutilent une fille.

(19/04/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/04/19/niangara-les-lra-tuent-trois-personnes-et-mutilent-une-fille/>

LRA rebels have killed 3 civilians and mutilated one girl in Niangara, Province Orientale.

Kony's Deputy Otti Still Wanted – ICC.

(15/04/2010 – The Monitor – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004150899.html>

The International Criminal Court has said the warrant of arrest issued against the Lord's Resistance Army's second in command, Vincent Otti still stands despite reports of his death.

Army Rescues Nine Women in Central African Republic.

(15/04/2010 – New Vision - allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004160094.html>

The Ugandan army has rescued nine women abducted by the LRA in the ongoing operations against the rebels in the Central African Republic.

Police Summon Otunnu Over LRA Remarks.

(15/04/2010 – The Monitor – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004141097.html>

Uganda People's Congress leader Olara Otunnu will tomorrow appear before detectives to explain comments he allegedly made about President Museveni giving money to rebel leader Joseph Kony.

UGANDA

Poor Uganda, So Well-Armed, So Defenceless Against Politicians.

(19/04/2010 – The East African – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201004191351.html>

Opinion article stating that although equipping the army is important, some of us who are ignorant of military matters are wondering whether Uganda could not spend its money better if it used less costly methods of conflict resolution, especially given the fact that all our army does is fight Ugandan outlaws, which is police work, really.

RWANDA

What's going on in Rwanda?

(20/04/2010 – Jason Stearns)

<http://congosiasa.blogspot.com/2010/04/whats-going-on-in-rwanda.html>

Reports emerged in the press today that President Kagame had arrested two high-ranking generals: Karenzi Karake and Charles Muhire. This is the next in a series of rumblings within the military establishment of the RPF.

BURUNDI

Burundi: Stop Pre-Election Violence, Hold Perpetrators Accountable.

(14/04/2010 – Human Rights Watch)

<http://www.hrw.org/en/news/2010/04/14/burundi-stop-pre-election-violence-hold-perpetrators-accountable> (English)

<http://www.hrw.org/fr/news/2010/04/14/burundi-les-autorit-s-devraient-mettre-un-terme-aux-violences-pr-lectorales-et-exige> (French)

(14/04/2010 – Human Rights Watch – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201004150821.html> (French)

Burundian police and administrative officials must take stronger measures to prevent and punish pre-election violence, Human Rights Watch said today. Members of various political parties, especially their affiliated youth movements, have clashed on a number of occasions since November 2009. In most cases, police have not conducted thorough investigations and no one has been held accountable.

UN agency lauds Tanzania's move to naturalize '1972 Burundian refugees'.

(16/04/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=34388&Cr=burundi&Cr1=> (English)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=21712&Cr=Tanzanie&Cr1=> (French)

The top UN refugee official praised today Tanzania's decision to grant citizenship to tens of thousands of Burundian refugees who fled their homeland some 38 years ago. The High Commissioner for Refugee António Guterres urged the international community to recognize Tanzania's gesture and appealed to donors to ensure that the process of integrating the citizens is successful.

Other

Great Lakes Echoes.

(April 2010 – EurAc)

For consultation at request.

Monthly publication of the European Network for Central Africa. Contains several interesting articles, this month among other things: Obama's and China's Africa policies, security situation in Equateur, Burundi's elections, ...

IPIS latest publications

IPIS LATEST REPORTS

Mapping Conflict Motives: Province Orientale (DRC)

(March 2010 – IPIS)

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

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.

Activity Report 2008.

(9/11/2009 – IPIS)

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

Jaarverslag 2008.

(13/10/2009 – IPIS)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/news.php?id=252>

IPIS has published its activity report 2008. The activity report is a comprehensive report of IPIS' activities in 2008. Its assignments, publications and lectures are presented in this document.

Note accompagnatrice de la carte interactive des zones minières militarisées aux Kivus.

(13/10/2009 – IPIS)

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

The French version of the accompanying note on the interactive map of militarised mining areas in the Kivus has been published. It is an explanatory guide to the research methodology used to produce the interactive map of militarised mining areas in the Kivus (MiMiKi) map, the Concessions map and the 'Comptoirs 2008' table that are available at the site.

Africa's natural resources in a global context.

(12/08/2009 – IPIS)

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

While, on the one hand, it is widely acknowledged that Africa has great natural resource potential, on the other hand, one cannot but regret that the complex interplay between political and economic factors at the national and international level appears to make it impossible to use a more substantial part of the revenues from the exploitation and trade of these resources for the promotion of the well-being of people at the grassroots level. This paper, which concentrates on non-renewable natural resources, aims to disentangle some of the processes that explain the paradox between Africa's natural wealth and its relatively limited level of economic development. It shows that the state of affairs in the resource sectors of most African countries is still to a large extent determined by external factors. Extractive industries in Africa tend to be export-oriented and contribute disappointingly little to local development.

Militarised Mining Areas in the Kivus.

(10/08/2009 – IPIS)

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

IPIS has published an interactive map of militarised mining areas in the Kivus (MiMiKi). Together with the map comes an explanatory guide to the research methodology and the possible uses of the map, including some striking findings.

The MiMiKi map constitutes a first systematic attempt to clarify the issue of profit by armed groups from the extractive industry in the east of the DR Congo. The interactive map contains information on the location of mines, the presence of armed groups at mining pits and a number of other variables. Although most recent analyses written on the issue point out that the region's relative mineral wealth is not the primary cause of the armed conflict in the Kivus, its role in financing armed groups is indisputable. Because of this situation, Western companies buying ores originating from the Great Lakes region, have been targeted by international NGOs who are asking them to implement a thorough system of due diligence. In the light of the loudening call for a stricter regulation of the sector, the listing of mining sites in the Kivus is essential.

The MiMiKi map only shows a part of the mining sector, namely the extraction of the minerals. In order to find out whether Western companies are buying Congolese minerals from which armed groups might benefit, the whole trading chain needs to be established. Therefore, in addition to the MiMiKi map, IPIS has appended a specific table containing information on the activities of the official comptoirs (mineral traders) in 2008.

It has to be noted that the MiMiKi map is not yet complete and should be considered as a work in progress. To date, more than 200 active mining sites are located on the map, including the most important. There are a few remaining blind spots (areas on which IPIS has no first hand information) on the map.

Impact de l'exploitation pétrolière sur la santé des populations locales et de l'environnement à Moanda. Cas de la firme Perenco.

(July 2009 – RRN)

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

Report the Congolese NGO RRN made under direction of IPIS within the framework of IPIS' capacity building project.

The impact of the global financial crisis on mining in Katanga.

(14/07/2009 – IPIS)

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

This report examines the impact of the global financial crisis on the mining sector in Katanga, the southeast province of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. As far as the industrial mining sector is concerned, it is shown that the crisis exacerbated the uncertainty of mining companies that were waiting for the results of the review of the mining contracts and that were often in the middle of starting up or expanding their activities in Katanga. Nevertheless, IPIS remains convinced that the renegotiation of the mining contracts is of vital importance for the long-term development of the Congolese mining industry. As far as the artisanal mining sector is concerned, it is pointed out that, due to the sharp decline in mineral prices, large numbers of artisanal miners have left the mines. While some of them appear to have found a new source of income in agriculture, there are disturbing reports that others may have chosen to engage in criminal activities in order to stay afloat.

Given the importance of the mining sector as a source of revenue for the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the development of a sound policy for crisis management is of vital importance to protect the health of the Congolese Treasury and to keep intact the possibility of stepping up government efforts in terms of poverty reduction and infrastructure development once the global economy starts to recover. This report shows that both the central government in Kinshasa and the provincial government in Lubumbashi have taken a number of measures to cope with the consequences of the global financial crisis.

Unfortunately, there are indications that the ongoing decentralisation process tends to complicate the cooperation between the two governments. Moreover, as a result of the exaggerated attention for the so-called 'rétrocession' issue in the Congolese press, there is a real risk that the anti-crisis measures of the Congolese authorities are not examined in a critical manner.

Zimbabwe - Arms and Corruption: fuelling human rights abuse.

(July 2009 – IPIS)

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

The following examples of irresponsible arms transfers involving Zimbabwe and other actors should be of great concern to the international community. The examples cited below are intended to illustrate further the need to ensure that the proposed international Arms Trade Treaty is as comprehensive as possible, and fully reflects the obligations of States to prevent arms transfers which pose a substantial risk of being used in serious violations of international human rights law. It is perhaps not a coincidence that these examples involve, amongst others, China and the U.S.A. – both of whose governments have been amongst the 'doubters' in the ongoing United Nations General Assembly deliberations on the ATT since 2006. Hopefully, as the new Obama Administration reviews the U.S. approach to the control of conventional arms, the U.S. position will become more constructive.

Culprits or scapegoats? Revisiting the role of Belgian mineral traders in eastern DRC.

(13/05/2009 – IPIS)

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

Ever since the eruption of the second Congo war in August 1998, the mining sector in eastern DRC has been under the scrutiny of UN Sanctions Committees, academics, NGOs, and local and international media, who have been worried and disturbed by the links between natural resource exploitation and armed conflict in the region. Both state and non-state armed actors are deriving benefit from the local mining business by levying taxes on mineral exports, by selling minerals for their own profit, and by trading mining rights for financial and military support.

The present report aims to clarify the position and responsibility of Belgian mineral traders in the area. Our purpose is not only to shed more light on the activities of Trademet and Traxys, the two companies featuring in the latest UN report, but also to discuss the activities of two other companies that have received less attention so far, namely Services and Trading International (STI) and Société pour le Développement et l'Expansion d'Entreprises (SDE).

An analysis of Finexpo's and Ducroire/Nationale Delcrederediens's support practices in comparison to the EURODAD principles on responsible financing.

(29/04/2009 – IPIS)

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

In 2007, Belgian exports generated 89,3% of Belgium's gross domestic product. The exports created employment as well as fiscal and parafiscal revenues. Because of the importance that exporting holds in the Belgian economy, Belgium has several public instruments in place to encourage and support the export of goods and services. At the federal level, there are Ducroire/Nationale Delcrederediens (ONDD), FINEXPO and the Belgian International Investment Company (BMI-SBI). At the regional level, the most important are the Agence Wallonne à l'Exportation (AWEX) for Wallonia, Brussels Export for the Brussels region, and Flanders Investment and Trade for the Flanders Region.

This research paper looks specifically at the practices of the two most significant players at the federal level: FINEXPO and Ducroire/Nationale Delcrederediens. FINEXPO provides advice to the Belgian government about five types of support measures: rent stabilisation mechanism, interest relief (with or without grants), pure grants and loans (tied and untied). Ducroire/Nationale Delcrederediens provides insurances and financial guarantees against commercial and political risks. Annex 1 to this report lists and explains the various types of support. The paper will discuss the financial terms, legal terms and conditions in place when FINEXPO and Ducroire/Nationale Delcrederediens provide support for Belgian exports.

The paper also looks into what extent FINEXPO's and Ducroire/Nationale Delcrederediens's practices match the financial terms, legal terms and conditions which are set out in the EURODAD Charter on Responsible Financing. The principles in the Charter outline the essential components of a reasonable loan. Given that only FINEXPO provides loans, the principles in the Charter are only directly applicable to the provision of loans by FINEXPO. Despite this fact, the principles are still useful in determining whether the financial and insurance practices of all support measures by FINEXPO and those by Ducroire/Nationale Delcrederediens are responsible support measures or not. EURODAD's principles represent a general framework for a tough but fair policy.

Impact de l'exploitation de diamant et de l'or dans la reconstruction socio-économique de la Province Orientale.

(March 2009 – CENADEP)

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

Report the Congolese NGO CENADEP made under direction of IPIS within the framework of IPIS' capacity building project.

IPIS LATEST ARTICLES

Illicit brokering of SALW in Europe: lacunae in Eastern European arms control and verification regimes.

(September 2009 – IPIS)

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

The article argues that no arms control agreement which does not recognize the need to licence and control the activities of arms brokers can ever hope to be effective. Therefore the vital interest of the EU Code of Conduct for the purposes of this article is that it is extended to cover arms brokering activities by the EU Common Position on arms brokering of June 2003.

Stabilisation et secteur minier dans l'Est de la RDC.

(August 2009 – IPIS)

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

In the beginning of July the Congolese government established a plan for the stabilisation of eastern DRC. The media remained silent concerning this initiative and the plan has not been made public. IPIS, however, managed to obtain this Congolese stabilisation plan. The objective of this article is to look at the essential points of the plan that could be useful as part of the Congolese and international efforts to dissolve the crisis in the eastern part of the country.

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