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IPIS VACANCIES

IPIS is seeking to fill two research vacancies:

Researcher, Mapping.

http://www.ipisresearch.be/att/20101018_aanwerving_onderzoeker_Mapping_EN.pdf

Not just for Dutch speaking/writing candidates.

Researcher, CSR - project manager.

http://www.ipisresearch.be/att/20101018_Aanwerving_onderzoeker_MVO_EN.pdf

IPIS UPCOMING EVENTS

28 October – IPIS lecture 'Conflict Minerals in the DRC', at 'Stakeholder Forum on Conflict Minerals' organised by DELL – Paris Stock Exchange Building, Palais Brongniart, Paris.

18 November – IPIS lecture 'Artisanale mijnbouw in Katanga', a guest lecture at the department social and cultural anthropology of the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven - Leuven

20 November – IPIS organises a workshop at the course 'Congo voor beginners' organised by Broederlijk Delen - The Royal Museum for Central Africa, Leuvensesteenweg 13 in Tervuren.

IPIS RECENT PUBLICATIONS

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 current map follows a concession map we published in August 2009 (as an addition to our Interactive Map of Militarised Mining Areas in the Kivus - MiMiKi), which shows concession areas in the Kivu provinces.

The idea for an extended and updated version of the map came about during exchanges IPIS had with Civil Society organisations and policy makers, who frequently expressed their need for a concession map of the whole of the DRC. There is clearly an information gap as even people in the field, including artisanal miners, often do not know who holds the official mining title for the area they work in. Consequently, IPIS hopes that this concession map will make a useful tool for policy making and advocacy.

'Voices from the inside' – Local views on mining reform in Eastern DR Congo.

(October 2010 – Finnwatch & Swedwatch)

<http://www.swedwatch.org/en/reports/voices-drc-conflict-minerals>

On behalf of the makeITfair project, IPIS contributed to parts of this report.

Recently, numerous efforts and initiatives ranging from legislation to certification have focused on the link between the conflict and the trade in minerals from Eastern DRC. The makeITfair project, however, deplors the lack of communication with local stakeholders when formulating what should be done. The report presents local views on mining reform in Eastern DRC. Although civil society groups welcome policy makers who are trying to 'clean up' the mining business in Eastern DRC, they want to have a stronger voice in the debate and more input into the initiatives that are currently taking shape.

Natural resources in the Great Lakes Region

Secret Meeting on Oil Held.

(23/10/2010 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010250643.html>

Uganda, Kenya and DRC have stepped up efforts to exploit the newly discovered cross-border crude oil in the Lake Albert basin. The three states jointly agreed to construct an oil pipeline from the oil-rich region to Mombasa to transport petroleum products to the East African regional market.

Lake Kivu could generate 1 000 MW over 50 yrs.

(22/10/2010 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.engineeringnews.co.za/article/lake-kivu-could-generate-1-000-mw-over-50-yrs-2010-10-22>

About \$50-billion a year worth of energy could potentially be generated at Lake Kivu, on the border of the DRCo and Rwanda, if the resources there could be unlocked. Lake Kivu project promoter Phillip Morkel told delegates at an Africa investment summit in Johannesburg on Friday, that about 1 000 MW of electricity could be generated from the lake's resources over the next 50 years.

DRC

Congo deals threaten western aid supply.

(26/10/2010 – Financial Times)

<http://www.ft.com/cms/s/0/a9025b56-e117-11df-90b7-00144feabdc0.html?ftcamp=rss>

L'annulation de la dette reportée à 2011 - Coup dur pour Muzito.

(22/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010220690.html>

Western donors have begun withholding development aid from the Democratic Republic of Congo amid mounting concern over the mismanagement of the mining and energy sectors by Joseph Kabila, president, and some of his aides. The recent resale of a copper project expropriated from Canadian company First Quantum and the reallocation of oil concessions claimed by Tullow Oil of the UK are among several deals jeopardising western support for the country's recovery from years of conflict.

Congo says mining to make up half its GDP by 2015.

(25/10/2010 – Mining Weekly)

<http://miningweekly.com/article/congo-says-mining-to-make-up-half-its-gdp-by-2015-2010-10-25>

Mining will make up half of the DRC's gross domestic product by 2015, doubling its contribution to the economy, the country's top mining official said on Monday.

The impact of the suspension of artisanal mining in Eastern DRC.

(25/10/2010 – Pole Institute)

<http://www.pole-institute.org/site%20web/echos/echo141.htm> (English)

<http://www.pole-institute.org/site%20web/echos/echo140.htm> (French)

Pole Institute is analysing the impact of the mining ban on transport companies and local communities.

Field dispatch: Behind the ban- an update from Congo.

(22/10/2010 – Enough Project)

<http://www.enoughproject.org/publications/field-dispatch-behind-ban-update-congo>

Congolese President Joseph Kabila's sudden ban on mineral exports from three eastern provinces has left many observers in the region questioning the effectiveness of the directive. It has also reportedly made life difficult for experts at Congo's mining ministry in Kinshasa, who have been struggling with how to implement and enforce the ban. According to North Kivu's provincial mining minister, the ban will soon be lifted, but the overall impact on the militarization of the mining sector remains up in the air, especially given the pervasive role of the Congolese national army in the mining of gold, tin, tungsten, and tantalum ores.

Propositions de contrôle des activités minières dans l'Est.

(20/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010200515.html>

Experts have made several recommendations for the Congolese mining sector in a final report of the activities of an interministerial commission charged to look at the implementation of the mining ban in eastern DRC.

Contrebande dans les mines de l'Est.

(26/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010260418.html>

Article stating the mining ban has helped smuggling to flourish further in the Congolese mining sector.

DRC delays reopening eastern mining sector.

(25/10/2010 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/drc-delays-reopening-eastern-mining-sector-2010-10-25>

The DRC will delay reopening the mining sector in its troubled eastern provinces by "probably" two weeks due to security problems, the nation's top mining official said on Monday.

New Report on Conflict Minerals Makes Case for Certification and Army Reform.

(20/10/2010 – Enough Project – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010200804.html>

In a new report, "Congo's Enough Moment: The Case for Conflict Minerals Certification and Army Reform," Enough Project Co-founder John Prendergast argues that the spotlight of international attention to Congo and widespread interest in conflict minerals has opened a window for policy reform.

First-ever bid to take diggers in hand.

(20/10/2010 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

A pilot scheme to rationalize small-scale mining has been underway since September at a copper and cobalt mine at Mbola, some 80 km from Lubumbashi. The aim is to establish financial and technical cooperation to provide work for 350 diggers.

L'UE et le pays entament des négociations contre les exportations illégales de bois.

(25/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010251654.html>

FLEGT talks start between EU and Congo.

(21/10/2010 – Europolitics)

<http://www.europolitics.info/sectorial-policies/flegt-talks-start-between-eu-and-congo-art285013-15.html>

The DRC and the EU signed a declaration, on 21 October in Brussels, that marks the start of negotiations for a voluntary partnership agreement to halt exports of illegal timber to the EU, the first stage of a process expected to be finalised by mid-2013.

UGANDA

Govt in Secret Search for Oil Refinery Site.

(19/10/2010 – The New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010200880.html>

Uganda is silently searching land to build a proposed 200,000 barrels per day oil refinery, a tactic that strives to avoid speculators from hiking prices and making the project expensive. This is after studies confirmed the economic and financial viability of the project. The report, which was conducted by Foster Wheeler Energy, a UK-based firm, has been submitted to the Government.

International mining companies in the Great Lakes Region

DRC

DRC govt resolution on Tenke 'imminent' – Freeport CEO.

(21/10/2010 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/drc-govt-resolution-on-tenke-imminent-freeport-ceo-2010-10-21>

Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold expects an announcement "imminently" on the resolution of negotiations about the contract for its Tenke Fungurume project, in the DRC, according to CEO Richard Adkerson.

Freeport-McMoRan, DRC reach agreement on Tenke Fungurume.

(22/10/2010 – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page36?oid=113423&sn=Detail>

Freeport confirms Tenke contract finalised in DRC.

(22/10/2010 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/freeport-confirms-tenke-contract-finalised-in-drc-2010-10-22>

Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold CEO Richard Adkerson told analysts Thursday that after two years of discussions with the DRC government regarding the Tenke Fungurume project, Freeport officials believe the DRC government has "an imminent announcement of what will be a resolution" of contract issues.

Lundin Announces Successful Completion of Tenke Fungurume Contract Review Process.

(22/10/2010 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/Lundin-Announces-Successful-Completion-of-Tenke-Fungurume-Contract-Review-Process-TSX-LUN-1339617.htm>

Lundin Mining Corporation is pleased to report that the government of the DRC and Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. have announced the successful conclusion of the review of Tenke Fungurume Mining's (TFM) contracts.

Mines - Le gouvernement et Freeport/Lundin sont parvenus à un accord sur TFM.

(23/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010250707.html>

La RDC et TFM fument le calumet de la paix.

(25/10/2010 – Le Phare – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010251476.html>

Processus de revisitation des contrats miniers - La voie de la raison.

(23/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010250698.html>

Martin Kabwelulu réactive le contrat Tenke Fungurume!

(23/10/2010 – La Prospérité - allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010250382.html>

Congo resolves dispute over copper mine.

(26/10/2010 – Financial Times)

<http://www.ft.com/cms/s/0/9cd807c6-e131-11df-90b7-00144feabdc0.html?ftcamp=rss>

Freeport finalises Tenke contract for shares, cash.

(22/10/2010 – CNBC)

<http://www.cnbc.com/id/39799076>

The Congolese minister of mines confirmed Kinshasa and the partners Freeport McMoran and Lundin have reached an agreement on the renegotiation of the Tenke Fungurume Mining project.

Copper capitulation by the DRC.

(22/10/2010 – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page72068?oid=113463&sn=Detail>

Freeport-McMoRan accepts a slew of changes for the Tenke Fungurume contract but, on close inspection, the changes look more like a face-saving exercise for the DRC than a hard won deal.

FACTBOX-Changes to Freeport's Tenke contract in Congo.

(22/10/2010 – Reuters)

<http://www.reuters.com/article/idUSLDE69L1C120101022>

Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc and the government of DRC have concluded protracted re-negotiations over the Tenke Fungurume copper and cobalt mining project. Here are the main changes to the contract, announced by Martin Kabwelulu, Congo's minister of mines, on Friday.

Freeport says could double Congo copper output.

(22/10/2010 – Reuters)

<http://www.reuters.com/article/idUKLDE69L1MO20101022>

Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc could nearly double copper production at its Tenke Fugurume project in Congo if planned expansion goes ahead, CEO Richard Adkerson said.

First Quantum reports 18% drop in Q3 copper production.

(20/10/2010 – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page504?oid=113274&sn=Detail>

The group said production has been hurt by the suspension of operations at its Frontier Mine in the DRC after losing its exploration license in the central African country.

Congo says wins right to sell First Quantum assets.

(27/10/2010 – Reuters)

http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJQE69Q01A20101027?feedType=RSS&feedName=topNews&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+reuters%2FAFRICATopNews+%28News+%2F+AFRIC+A+%2F+Top+News%29&utm_content=Bloglines

An international court rejected a bid by miner First Quantum Minerals to fully protect its disputed Congolese assets, the company said, a move Congo said gave it the right to proceed with their sale.

First Quantum reviews arbitration orders.

(26/10/2010 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/arbitration-tribunal-only-ruled-on-interim-measures-first-quantum-2010-10-26>

Reports that First Quantum Minerals lost an arbitration case against the Democratic Republic of Congo over its Kolwezi tailings project are "completely untrue", a First Quantum spokesperson said on Tuesday.

Kilo's 960 Metre Step-Out Drill Hole Intersects 11.45 Metres Grading 3.33 g/t Gold, on the Adumbi Prospect, Somituri Project, DRC.

(21/10/2010 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/Kilos-960-Metre-Step-Out-Drill-Hole-Intersects-1145-Metres-Grading-333-g-t-Gold-on-Adumbi-TSX-VENTURE-KGL-1339155.htm>

Kilo Goldmines Ltd. is pleased to announce analytical results of diamond drill hole number 6 on the Company's Adumbi Prospect of the Somituri Project in north-eastern DRC.

Randgold Resources -- Vital Medical Supplies Reach Doko in DRC.

(21/10/2010 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/Randgold-Resources-Vital-Medical-Supplies-Reach-Doko-in-DRC-1338867.htm>

A shipment of vital medical equipment and supplies was handed over today to the Durba Referral Hospital and the Gambella Clinic in Watsa in the Haut-Uele district of the DRC close to the Kibali Gold Project by project developer Randgold Resources.

Confiant de premiers résultats sur terrain, Kibali Goldmines voit l'avenir en rose.

(21/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010210465.html>

Kibali Goldmines, a partnership between RandGold Resources, AngloGold Ashanti and the Congolese "Office des mines d'or de Kilo-Moto" (Okimo), stated it hopes to finish its feasibility study in January 2011.

Randgold Resources to produce first gold from Kibali in July 2013.

(21/10/2010 – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page504?oid=113349&sn=Detail&pid=110649>

DRC gold mine aiming for mid-2013 start – Randgold Resources.

(20/10/2010 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/drc-gold-mine-aiming-for-mid-2013-start-randgold-resources-2010-10-20>

Randgold Resources aims to produce first gold from its Kibali project in the remote northeast of Democratic Republic of Congo in July 2013, six months earlier than planned, the company said late on Tuesday.

Niobium: Russians take a bite of Somikivu.

(20/10/2010 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

The Russian chromium producer RossPetsPlav worked through the joint venture Congo Russia Industry sprl last month to acquire 10% in Société Minière du Kivu.

Gurkhas for Chemaf.

(20/10/2010 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

70 Gurkha guards from Nepal have been hired by Chemaf to protect the cobalt and copper enrichment plant at Kalukuluku in Katanga.

Arms trade / Security in the Great Lakes Region

DRC

'An Opportunity to Say Never Again'.

(25/10/2010 – IPS)

<http://ipsnews.net/news.asp?idnews=53275>

Civil society in the DRC's eastern province of South Kivu is determined that meaningful action will follow from the publication of the U.N.'s Mapping Project, a report detailing some of the most serious human rights violations by state and non-state actors in the DRC between 1993 and 2003.

Butembo: le Sheikh Shaban Mubajje appelle les ADF-Nalu à désarmer.

(23/10/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/10/23/butembo-le-sheikh-shaban-mubajje-appelle-les-adf-nalu-a-desarmer/>

The Ugandan Mufti Sheikh Shaban Mubajje calls on the ADF-Nalu rebels, of whom most fighters are Muslims, to lay down their arms and return peacefully to Uganda.

Eight rebels dead in attack on U.N. base in Congo.

(25/10/2010 – Reuters)

<http://uk.reuters.com/article/idUKTRE69O2QI20101025>

Rutshuru: attaque des Maï Maï contre une base de la Monusco à Rwindi.

(25/10/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/10/25/rutshuru-attaque-des-mai-mai-contre-une-base-de-la-monusco-a-rwindi/>

Rutshuru - Des Maï-Maï attaquent une base de la Monusco à Rwindi.

(26/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010260421.html>

Around 50 Mai Mai rebels carried out a rare attack on a U.N. peacekeepers' base in Rwindi, eastern Congo, at the weekend and eight assailants were killed when peacekeepers fired back, the U.N. mission said on Monday.

UN envoy condemns attack against blue helmets in eastern DR Congo.

(25/10/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=36555&Cr=democratic&Cr1=congo> (English)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=23449&Cr=Congo&Cr1=> (French)

MONUSCO condemns attack on its base at Rwindi (North Kivu).

(25/10/2010 – MONUSCO)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=932&ctl=Details&mid=4382&ItemID=10791> (English)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1069&ctl=Details&mid=1690&ItemID=10788> (French)

Roger Meece has strongly condemned this weekend's attack against blue helmets in the volatile far east of the African nation. Some 50 men armed with assault rifles and other weapons advanced towards the base of the UN peacekeeping base in Rwindi, some 140 kilometres north of Goma. The FARDC has since captured and detained several of those who took part in the attack. A joint investigation with Congolese authorities is under way to establish the identities and motives of the attackers, who, according to early indications, appear to be part of the Mai-Mai militia group.

UN peacekeepers in DR Congo repel attack.

(26/10/2010 – AFP)

http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5hv7j24ojTQkSODIC0LWLYNM_oUCA?docId=CNG.054898c0f8f960a17b20c59c1f5d54e6.a11

United Nations peacekeepers in the Democratic Republic of Congo repelled an attack on their base, killing eight suspected members of the tribal Mai-Mai militia, the UN mission in DR Congo said Monday.

Walikale - L'arrestation d'un chef rebelle pour viols, un soulagement pour les victimes.

(25/10/2010 – Le Phare – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010251475.html>

Victims of the mass rape in Luvungi, Walikale territory, are satisfied with the arrest of one of the Mai Mai Cheka rebellion leaders. However, they state Cheka himself should also be arrested because he bears the biggest responsibility.

Les FARDC et la MONUSCO poursuivent des patrouilles sur le fleuve Congo.

(22/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010220696.html>

The MONUSCO lieutenant-colonel Amadou A. Gueye stated the MONUSCO is continuing to conduct its joint patrols with the FARDC on the Congo river and Oubangi river.

Après les échauffourées entre civils et FARDC - Le calme revient à Katana.

(20/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010200504.html>

Calm has returned in Katana following last week's violent confrontations between FARDC and the civilian population.

'Changing gender norms is essential for peacebuilding in Congo'.

(20/10/2010 – The Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2010/oct/20/congo-gender>

Chris Dolan, director of the Refugee Law Project in Uganda, has concluded democracy isn't possible in the eastern Congo without big changes in relations between men and women.

Child soldiers battle traumas in Congo rehab.

(21/10/2010 – CNN)

http://edition.cnn.com/2010/WORLD/africa/10/20/congo.child.soldiers/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

The classroom is part of a U.N. Children's Fund sponsored rehabilitation center where they are working to show children caught up in Congo's violent conflict that they have the right to a peaceful future.

International Alert présente les résultats de ses recherches sur les violences sexuelles.

(23/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010250700.html>

International Alert will present two new reports in Kinshasa this week: on Tuesday a report on sexual violence in the Kivu provinces, and the day after a report on the mining sector in the Kivu's neighbouring provinces.

Kalemie: l'ONG VMI dénonce la violation des droits des pygmées.

(25/10/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/10/25/kalemie-l%E2%80%99ong-vmi-denonce-la-violation-des-droits-des-pygmees/>

The NGO « La Voix des minorités indigènes » (VMI) published a report on human rights violations committed against pygmy communities.

Briefing humanitaire en RDC du 16 au 22 octobre 2010.

(22/10/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

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

RDC/OCHA/Sud-Kivu - Rapport hebdomadaire du 12 au 18 octobre 2010.

(19/10/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/MCOI-8AJHM5?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

Humanitarian Action in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) - Weekly Bulletin, 18 October 2010.

(18/10/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/VDUX-8AEK3F?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

Situation humanitaire en République Démocratique du Congo - Note d'information à la presse, 20 octobre 2010.

(20/10/2010 – OCHA - Reliefweb)

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

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

Lubanga Trial at ICC Resumes Next Week.

(19/10/2010 – Lubanga Trial Website – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010200745.html>

The war crimes trial of Thomas Lubanga at the ICC is set to resume next week, according to a schedule released by the Hague-based court.

Lubanga Trial Marred by Unavailability of Witnesses.

(26/10/2010 – Lubanga Trial Website – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010270007.html>

Thomas Lubanga's war crimes trial at the ICC today stalled as none of the witnesses who had been expected to give evidence this week were ready to take the witness stand.

Witness Questioned Again About Payments to Intermediaries.

(25/10/2010 – Lubanga Trial Website – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010261039.html>

An employee of the ICC was today questioned by attorneys for war crimes accused Thomas Lubanga about payments the court's prosecution office made to its intermediaries who contacted former child soldiers that testified against Mr. Lubanga.

Après les exceptions... le procès de Jean-Pierre Bemba.

(20/10/2010 – Le Phare – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010200556.html>

CPI : le procès de Jean-Pierre Bemba s'ouvrira le 22 novembre 2010.

(21/10/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=23419&Cr=Congo&Cr1=>

The ICC in The Hague, Netherlands, knocked down an appeal by Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo, ruling that the court may admit his case to trial.

FDLR

Masisi: afflux de déplacés à Nyabiondo et Bulongo.

(25/10/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/10/25/masisi-afflux-de-deplaces-a-nyabiondo-et-bulongo/>

La situation humanitaire fragilisée par d'intenses combats dans l'Est.

(26/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010260422.html>

Civilians in Lukweti area are fleeing towards Nyabiondo and Bulongo, Masisi territory, because of the rising number of violent confrontations between FARDC and the FDLR-Maï Maï Janvier coalition.

Rebel Leader's Arrest Just One Step in Fight Against Impunity.

(21/10/2010 – IRIN - allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010210843.html> (English)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010251691.html> (French)

Acting on a warrant issued by the ICC, French police arrested Callixte Mbarushimana, vice-president of the FDLR. The arrest in Europe of the Rwandan militia leader is a welcome step in the fight against impunity in eastern DRC but real progress in the protection of civilians depends on the apprehension of commanders on the ground, according to analysts.

Sécurité dans l'Est - Le pays et le Rwanda déterminés à traquer les FDLR.

(20/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010200503.html>

The Congolese minister of defence Charles Mwando Nsimba and his Rwandan counterpart James Kabarebe gathered to talk about the establishment of peace and security in the Great Lakes Region. They also confirmed their commitment to fight the FDLR rebels.

Eternal combat.

(20/10/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201010200501.html>

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LRA

Museveni Lauds Kinshasa on Combatting Rebels.

(20/10/2010 – The New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010201069.html>

President Yoweri Museveni has commended the role played by the DRC in wiping out Kony rebels from Garamba and ensuring that peace returns to the region.

Army Deployed to Block LRA.

(19/10/2010 – The New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010200885.html>

The UPDF has heavily deployed on the borders of the DRC and Southern Sudan to prevent the LRA rebels from returning to northern Uganda to disrupt next year's general elections, the army has said.

CENTRAL AFRICA: Region struggles to counter LRA threat.

(20/10/2010 – Oxford Analytica – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/VDUX-8AGT6G?OpenDocument>

The African Union reported on October 16 that Central African countries were working to ensure that the Ugandan rebel group, the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA), is classified as a terrorist organisation.

UGANDA

Uganda presidential contestants start campaigning.

(25/10/2010 – Reuters)

http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJOE69O0BW20101025?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

Uganda cleared on Monday four candidates including long-serving leader Yoweri Museveni for next February's presidential poll seen as a test of democracy in a country about to start producing oil. The election pits former rebel leader Museveni against his closest rival, Kizza Besigye, in the third face-off between the two. Besigye was Museveni's doctor in the bush when he was rebel leader.

RWANDA

Rwanda, China boost military ties.

(23/10/2010 – TerraDaily)

http://www.terradaily.com/reports/Rwanda_China_boost_military_ties_999.html

Kigali and Beijing agreed to enhance their military cooperation during a visit to China by Rwandan Defence Minister James Kaberebe, an army statement said Saturday. Kaberebe held talks on Friday with his Chinese counterpart, Liang Guanglie, as part of his five-day visit to China, the statement said.

Rwanda terror charge for opposition's Victoire Ingabire.

(25/10/2010 – BBC)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-11623454>

Ingabire Appears in Court.

(26/10/2010 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010260953.html>

Rwanda's opposition leader Victoire Ingabire has appeared in court accused of working with a terrorist group, after her arrest earlier this month.

Ingabire's Case Has International Dimensions-Ngoga.

(27/10/2010 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201010270060.html>

The Prosecutor General, Martin Ngoga, yesterday said that the case involving Victoire Ingabire Umuhiza, the leader of the yet-to-be-registered political party, FDU-Inkingi, is not a "political case" as some people claim but a terrorist case with "regional and international dimensions". He was reacting to a decision by Gasabo Intermediate Court to deny bail to Ingabire and her co-accused, Maj. Vital Uwumuremyi.

BURUNDI

Burundi: huit morts dans des affrontements entre "bandits" et soldats.

(26/10/2010 – starafrika.com)

<http://www.starafrika.com/fr/actualites/afrique/article/burundi-sept-morts-dans-des-affrontemen-117728.html>

Since the beginning of the week, eight people have been killed in northwest Burundi because of serious violent confrontations between "armed bandits" and Burundian soldiers.

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IPIS LATEST REPORTS

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>

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(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>

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(June 2010 – IPIS)

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

Jaarverslag 2009.

(06/05/2010 – IPIS)

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

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

Mapping Conflict Motives: Province Orientale (DRC)

(March 2010 – IPIS)

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

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

(June 2010 – IPIS)

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

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

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

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

(December 2009 – IPIS)

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

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

Activity Report 2008.

(9/11/2009 – IPIS)

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

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(13/10/2009 – IPIS)

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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.

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