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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.

Natural resources in the Great Lakes Region

Diamond and Human Security: Annual Review 2008.

(October 2008 – Partnership Africa Canada)

<http://www.pacweb.org/e/> (English)

http://www.pacweb.org/e/images/stories/documents/ar_diamonds_2008_eng.pdf

(English pdf)

<http://www.pacweb.org/f/> (French)

http://www.pacweb.org/f/images/stories/documents/ar_diamonds_2008_fr.pdf

(French pdf)

This report concentrates on the three countries most seriously affected by diamond-fuelled conflict – Angola, DRC and Sierra Leone – but also includes articles on countries touched by those conflicts, or where internal controls over diamonds, and where development considerations remain problematic.

Loupe Holes in the Kimberley Process.

(November 2008 – 'Partnership Africa Canada' and 'Global Witness')

<http://www.pacweb.org/e/> (English)

http://www.pacweb.org/e/images/stories/documents/loupe_holes_nov2008.pdf

(English pdf)

http://www.globalwitness.org/media_library_detail.php/675/en/loupe_holes_in_the_kimberley_process (English)

<http://www.pacweb.org/f/> (French)

http://www.pacweb.org/f/images/stories/documents/loupe-holes_nov2008-fr.pdf

(French pdf)

As the Kimberley Process rough diamond certification scheme's fifth year draws to a close, the trafficking of conflict and illicit stones looks more like a dangerous rule than an exception. In a joint report, Global Witness and Partnership Africa Canada warn that the illicit trade in rough diamonds is one of the greatest threats facing the Kimberley Process.

EITI 'part of the answer' to energy insecurity.

(27/10/2008 – Ethical Corporation)

<http://www.ethicalcorp.com/content.asp?ContentID=6155>

Better governance and transparency will mean more secure energy supplies, says Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative secretariat head, Jonas Moberg.

Stricter trade rules seen cutting illegal timber.

(27/10/2008 – Reuters)

<http://africa.reuters.com/wire/news/usnLR350765.html>

Stricter trade standards could help reduce the amount of illegal timber used as furniture and flooring around the world, but some legitimate exporters may be pinched as a result, industry officials said on Monday. Both the United States and European Union have sought to boost their scrutiny of timber imports to fight illicit logging, which the World Bank says costs developing countries \$15 billion a year and harms the environment.

DRC**Extractive Industries Transparency: DRC lags behind.**

(22/10/2008 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

The DRC is the worst performer among the countries in the EITI.

Rapport sur la mise en oeuvre de l'Initiative sur la Transparence des Industries Extractives (ITIE) en RDC.

(October 2008 – EITI)

For consultation at request.

Report on the implementation of the Extractive Industry Initiative in the DRC.

Transmission du rapport sur l'ITIE du M. Ghislain Pastre.

(8/10/2008 – World Bank)

For consultation at request.

Letter from Marie-Nelly (World Bank) to Minister Kamitatu accompanying the EITI report.

Congo Retains Mines, Finance Ministers in New Cabinet (Update1).

(27/10/2008 – bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=newsarchive&sid=aB8tezO6pxWE>

The DRC, which has a third of the world's cobalt deposits, retained Martin Kabwelulu as the nation's mines minister in a new Cabinet announced on state television. Victor Kasongo will remain Kabwelulu's deputy

All Mine.

(Dan Rather)

http://www.hd.net/danrather_allmine.html

Dan Rather, did a report on Mining in the Congo, primarily focusing on Freeport McMoRan. He travelled with American and European research groups like IPIS, Carter Center and a few others. The video report on mining in the DRC starts after a video report of the financial crisis, after 4 minutes.

Congo-Kinshasa: Grâce à l'appui de PricewaterhouseCoopers - Fidafrica publie les guides d'application du Code minier et le régime fiscal en RDC.

(27/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810271530.html>

Fidafrica has published a guide for mining companies. The guide outlines the 'code minier' and the fiscal regime in the DRC. PricewaterhouseCoopers had pushed for the publication of this guide.

Congo-Kinshasa: EU Involvement in Mining Project Draws Protest.

(28/10/2008 – IPS)

<http://www.ipsnews.net/news.asp?idnews=44467>

(28/10/2008 – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810280412.html>

The involvement of the European Union in a mining project in the DRC has drawn a chorus of protest from local and international human rights advocates. They say the project is rife with problems relating to transparency and accountability. Located some 175 km north-west of Lubumbashi in Katanga province, the Tenke Fungurume vein is thought to be one of the largest unexploited seams of copper and cobalt in the world.

Over a million dollars of diamonds stolen from Congo Diam.

(22/10/2008 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

FARDC soldiers appeared to be the thieves.

Congo Diamond Miner Says October Output to Drop 50% (Update1).

(21/10/2008 – bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=newsarchive&sid=avakFF2F3IDs>

Congo-Kinshasa: Grève à la Miba - L'Adga Tuse invite les travailleurs au calme.

(22/10/2008 – Le Phare; published by allAfrica – 23/10/2008)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230422.html>

Congo-Kinshasa: La production de la Miba insuffisante face au fardeau social - Grève ou agitation à Mbuji-Mayi.

(22/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810220308.html>

The DRC's state-owned diamond miner, La Societe Miniere de Bakwanga, said production will drop more than 50 percent this month, partly because of a strike by workers over unpaid wages.

Mbuji-Mayi : une marche des agents de la Miba étouffée.

(25/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20824>

(27/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810271541.html>

Police force has stopped a protest march from Miba workers.

Miba : le comité de gestion accepte de payer un supplément forfaitaire aux agents.

(28/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20850>

Congo-Kinshasa: Miba - Tripartite gouvernorat - Haute direction - Syndicat pour arrêter la grève.

(27/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810271598.html>

Miba : la grève s'éloigne.

(27/10/2008 – Le Phare – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54467>

It looks like a solution has been found for Miba and working will restart.

Lubutu : 8 morts et 2 blessés graves dans l'éboulement d'une carrière minière.

(27/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20840>

Death toll 8 after a collapse of a mineshaft in Lubutu, Maniema.

Congo-Kinshasa: Crise de ciment - Les entreprises de construction au bord de l'asphyxie.

(23/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230723.html>

Congo-Kinshasa: Ciment, la surenchère.

(22/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810220211.html>

Point chaud : Sans ciment, pas de Cinq chantiers.

(27/10/2008 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54471>

The crisis in the cement industry is hurting the constructing sector.

Congo-Kinshasa: Forêts du bassin du Congo - Le CBFF favorable au financement des projets bien conçus.

(27/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810271534.html>

The British-Norwegian fund for the preservation and a good management of the Congo Basin forest is ready to support projects it deems satisfying.

Le Chef de l'Etat informé de l'évolution des travaux sur la protection des forêts du bassin du Congo.

(27/10/2008 – ACP – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54463>

President Kabila welcomed Wangari Maathai, a Kenyan ecologist, on Sunday to talk about the preservation of the Congo Basin forest.

UGANDA

Uganda: 'Govt to Get 80 Percent Oil Cash'

(21/10/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 23/10/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810230314.html>

The country stands to benefit from the recent discovery of oil, with 80% of the revenue accrued going to the Government, President Yoweri Museveni has said. The President said the remaining 20% would be taken by the exploration companies.

Uganda: Truck Owners Miss Oil Contracts.

(22/10/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 23/10/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810230177.html>

Truck operators are crying foul over foreign vehicles working in the oil-rich Albertine Graben, a situation that is denying them a chance to reap from the oil cash. Heritage, Neptune and Tullow are exploring for oil and gas in the area, an activity, which involves transporting logistics and machinery for drilling. The energy ministry promised Ugandans that they would benefit from the discovery of oil by providing services like transport, catering and security jobs for the contractors. However, local transporters claim that oil exploring firms are awarding illegal tenders to foreign transporters.

How does a change in the legal status of a forest affect people's livelihoods?

(22/10/2008 – AfricaFiles)

<http://www.africafiles.org/article.asp?ID=19238>

Uganda, well endowed with natural resources, is suffering a decline in forests as many African countries are. This report assesses the impacts of the change in legal status on people's livelihood by means of a modified household economic model.

International mining companies in the Great Lakes Region

BNP Paribas gains influence in mining.

(22/10/2008 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Following its purchase of 75% of Belgium's Fortis Bank, BNP Paribas takes on a major portfolio of loans and activities, including trading, export and project finance, becoming a strategic partner for the mining sector in Africa.

Forrest buys metals in Namibia.

(22/10/2008 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Economie : Cilu à l'arrêt, Malta Forrest investit en Namibie.

(23/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20789>

Forrest has bought the Canadian junior Forsys Metals Corp that works in uranium in Namibia.

DRC

RP Capital may boost its holding in Katanga Mining.

(22/10/2008 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Explorer Master Fund may soon increase its holding in Katanga Mining Ltd. Dan Gertler is also involved.

DRC copper/cobalt developer Katanga Mining feels cash heat.

(28/10/2008 – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page36?oid=71584&sn=Detail>

Katanga Province, in the southern part of the DRC has produced some of the world's more exotic mining stories over the past few years. Cash starvation, the new story, common across the world, and common to all but the biggest operating mining stocks, follows hard on the crash of most commodity prices, and the majority of listed mining stocks.

Katanga Reviews Capital Spending at Congo Copper Mine (Update2).

(24/10/2008 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=20601116&sid=awHXFg.RrAIY&refer=afrika>

Katanga Mining to Review Capital Expenditure.

(24/10/2008 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/Katanga-Mining-Limited-TSX-KAT-913370.html>

Katanga Mining Ltd., the company restarting the largest underground copper mine in the DRC, said it is reviewing capital expenditures as the global credit crisis intensifies.

Jim Cook.

(22/10/2008 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Africo Resources has radically changed its team as it prepares to begin copper/cobalt production soon at Kalukundi.

Les combines financières de Tenke Fungurume Mining, TFM.

(27/10/2008 – EITI)

For consultation at request.

Temporarily, first draft of an EITI report on the Tenke Fungurume case.

Freeport Congo Mine Talks Stall, State May Intervene (Update1).

(27/10/2008 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=20601116&sid=aogxfQ83rLm4&refer=afrika>

Freeport McMoRan's contract in the DRC is one of as many as six deals in which the renegotiation of terms has stalled, said deputy Mines Minister Victor Kasongo. The government may take over negotiations with private companies in instances where talks with state-owned companies have deadlocked, Kasongo said in an interview today in the capital, Kinshasa.

Camec augmente ses avoirs en RDCongo.

(27/10/2008 – mediacongo.net)

<http://www.mediacongo.net/show.asp?doc=10918>

Phil Edmonds' CAMEC has decided to purchase 50% of the shares of SMKK for an amount of US\$85 millions.

UGANDA

Uganda: Tullow Strikes Oil at Well in Buliisa.

(23/10/2008 – The Monitor – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810230846.html>

Uganda: Heritage Finds New Large Oil Well.

(22/10/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 23/10/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810230195.html>

Heritage Oil Announces New Discovery in Uganda.

(23/10/2008 – iStockAnalyst)

http://www.istockanalyst.com/article/viewiStockNews+articleid_2732428.html

Heritage Oil and Gas has expanded its reserves in Uganda by striking more oil at Warthog-1, a well in Block I in Hoima district.

Uganda: Nema Yet to Approve Oil Production Scheme.

(26/10/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 27/10/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810270886.html>

The National Environment Management Authority has not cleared early oil production by Tullow Oil because the firm has not clarified on the location of the mini-oil refinery.

BURUNDI

Dwyka intersects nickel at Muremera.

(27/10/2008 – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.net/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page674?oid=71499&sn=Detail>

The directors of Dwyka are pleased to announce that excellent progress has been made with the Phase Two exploration programme at the Muremera Nickel Project in Burundi.

China in the Great Lakes Region

Gecamines : les Chinois construiront 5 000 maisons pour les agents.

(22/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20787>

The Katanga provincial minister Barthélemy Mumba Gama told the trade union delegation of Gecamines, that 5000 houses will be build in Lubumbashi, Likasi and Kolwezi. The project will be financed with the money from the Chinese investors' contract with the DRC.

Congo-Kinshasa: Venus pourtant dans le cadre de 5 chantiers - Les Chinois se livrent au petit commerce à Kinshasa.

(22/10/2008 – La Prospérité; published by allAfrica – 23/10/2008)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230594.html>

Congo-Kinshasa: Interdit à tous les expatriés - Honorable Clément Kanku dénonce les avantages accordés aux chinois.

(22/10/2008 – La Prospérité; published by allAfrica – 23/10/2008)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230592.html>

The 'cinq chantiers' seem to have brought the Chinese on the Congolese market. Congolese people are complaining about Chinese immigrants taking their businesses and doing in retail trade.

Copper the key in Chinese strategic moves on Zambian economy.

(23/10/2008 – Reuters – Mineweb)

<http://www.mineweb.com/mineweb/view/mineweb/en/page36?oid=71226&sn=Detail>

China is investing heavily in Zambia, with particular strategic interest in the African country's big copper mining sector.

Arms trade / Security in the Great Lakes Region

Africa To Set The Pace Of New Convention On Cluster Munitions.

(23/10/2008 – Institute for Security Studies)

http://www.issafrica.org/index.php?link_id=5&slink_id=6738&link_type=12&slink_type=12&tmpl_id=3

On the 29th and 30th September 2008, 42 governments and civil society members convened in Kampala, Uganda for the second regional African Conference on the Convention on Cluster Munitions as part of the Oslo Process – the process by which cluster munitions that cause unacceptable harm to civilians will be banned.

Africa: Angola Boosts Peace and Security in Central Africa.

(25/10/2008 – Angola Press Agency; published by allAfrica – 27/10/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810270047.html>

The government of Angola will continue encouraging other central African states to make efforts in order to maintain peace and security in this region, the Angolan ambassador to the UN said. Angola chairs, since last May, the permanent consultative committee of the UN for issues on disarming the Central African region.

Smokes, sex and the arms deal.

(28/10/2008 – Mail&Guardian)

<http://www.mg.co.za/article/2008-10-28-smokes-sex-and-the>

A net of local and international investigations is drawing in on one of the most controversial and influential players in the South African arms deal -- Zimbabwean tycoon John Bredenkamp.

DRC

De toestand in Centraal Afrika – La situation en Afrique centrale.

(22/10/2008 – Belgische Kamer van volksvertegenwoordigers.)

<http://www.dekamer.be/doc/CCRA/pdf/52/ac342.pdf>

A report on the Parliament's Commission of Foreign Affairs in a session concerning the current situation in Central Africa.

L'Assemblée nationale bataille pour la levée de l'embargo sur les armes décrété contre la RDC.

(23/10/2008 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54397>

President of the Congolese National Assembly, Vital Kamerhe, is planning to demand the European Union and the UN to lift the arms embargo against the DRC.

Assemblée nationale : la proposition de loi sur les armes légère et de petit calibre à l'ordre du jour.

(22/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20781>

Congo-Kinshasa: Assemblée nationale - Clôture du débat relatif à la proposition de loi sur les armes légères et de petit calibre.

(24/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810240366.html>

Assemblée nationale : 15 à 30 mille personnes meurent à l'Est par mois !

(22/10/2008 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54380>

A bill concerning small arms and light weapons was on the Tuesday agenda of the National Assembly.

Congo-Kinshasa: Caches d'armes - Des militaires et policiers interpellés.

(23/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230232.html>

For the third time in a week illegal arms have been discovered in Kinshasa.

Maï-Ndombe : trafic des munitions de guerre et braconnage.

(24/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20809>

Since several weeks renewed traffic of ammunition has been noticed in Bandundu province. These are probably originating from Kikwit.

Détournement de fonds des FARDC au front, l'Assemblée nationale veut enquêter.

(23/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20803>

L'Assemblée nationale diligente une enquête parlementaire sur le détournement des fonds des FARDC.

(27/10/2008 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54430>

The Congolese National Assembly will establish a committee to inquire the allegations of the embezzling of money destined for FARDC and humanitarian assistance.

Bukavu : programme Amani , la phase opérationnelle commence.

(23/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20804>

After a period of acquaintance, the Amani programme is about become operational in South Kivu.

Programme Amani : plus de 20 tonnes de vivres à onze mille déplacés de Minova.

(25/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20820>

Congo-Kinshasa: Assistance humanitaire.

(27/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810271599.html>

The Amani programme offers some emergency aid to the Minova displaced people.

Le Comité de pilotage de Amani ce lundi à Kinshasa après Goma et Bukavu.

(27/10/2008 – l'Avenir - Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54468>

The steering committee of the Amani programme gathered on Monday in Kinshasa.

Congo-Kinshasa: Selon Mbusa Nyamwisi la RDC et le Rwanda sont appelés à regarder dans la même direction.

(25/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810250006.html>

DRC minister Nyamwisi told Rwanda the two countries should start working together to make the Nairobi agreement succeed on the ground.

Congo-Kinshasa: Selon la Monuc - Le Plan de désengagement est en cours d'exécution.

(24/10/2008 – MONUC)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810240309.html>

According to the MONUC the disengagement plan is being executed at the time.

Q&A: Fighting in Congo.

(28/10/2008 – Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2008/oct/28/congo>

This article tries to give a clear overview of the different groups and facts of the war in eastern DRC.

Les raisons de la solitude de Kinshasa.

(28/10/2008 – Colette Braeckman)

<http://blogs.lesoir.be/colette-braeckman/2008/10/29/les-raisons-de-la-solitude-de-kinshasa/>

Article on the Congolese situation and the reactions of the international community.

UN urges immediate ceasefire in eastern DR Congo.

(23/10/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=18468>

Le Conseil de sécurité profondément préoccupé face au regain de violence dans l'Est de la RDC.

(22/10/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsId=18464> (French)

Congo-Kinshasa: Insécurité dans l'Est de la RDC - Le Conseil de sécurité se déclare préoccupé par le regain de violence.

(23/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230783.html>

The United Nations Security Council on Tuesday voiced its deep concern about the resurgence of violence in the DRC's eastern provinces and urged all parties to immediately respect a ceasefire.

Congo-Kinshasa: Ban Voices Alarm at Worsening Conflict in Volatile East.

(27/10/2008 – UN News Service – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810271827.html>

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon today expressed deep concern at the deteriorating security situation in the far east of the DRC, where thousands of civilians have fled their homes because of fresh fighting and rebels have fired rockets at United Nations peacekeepers.

Des bureaux de l'ONU attaqués en RDC.

(27/10/2008 – Le Soir)

<http://www.lesoir.be/actualite/monde/la-composition-du-nouveau-2008-10-27-654700.shtml>

Protesters attack U.N. HQ in eastern Congo.

(27/10/2008 – CNN)

http://edition.cnn.com/2008/WORLD/africa/10/27/congo.united.nations.ap/index.html?eref=edition_africa

Protest turns violent in DRC.

(28/10/2008 – AFP - MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=18517>

A few thousand manifestants have attacked offices of the UN. Congolese people are angry that 18.000 MONUC peacekeepers have not been able to stop the rebels.

Monuc : le général Vicente Diaz démissionne.

(28/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20844>

Rwanda: UN Confirms Resignation of Monuc Commander.

(28/10/2008 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810280009.html>

Rwanda: Fate of Monuc Force Commander in Limbo.

(26/10/2008 – The New Times; published by allAfrica – 27/10/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810270925.html>

Head of UN force in Congo quits after less than two months.

(27/10/2008 – Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2008/oct/27/congo-unitednations>

MONUC lieutenant general Vicente Diaz has resigned from his position. Although he states his resignation follows because of some personal problems, it probably is the incapacity of the MONUC to preserve security in the Kivu provinces that made him decide to quit his job.

UN Peacekeeping Mission Requires More Resources to Stem Violence in DR Congo.

(27/10/2008 – Refugees International)

<http://www.refugeesinternational.org/content/article/detail/10869>

Conflicting mandate and lack of political support have hampered UN Peacekeepers' capacity to respond.

Force not the solution in violence-ridden eastern DR Congo, top UN envoy says.

(28/10/2008 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=28739&Cr=Democratic&Cr1=Congo>

The top UN envoy to the DRC has stressed that diplomacy – and not military action – is the only solution to the fighting that has engulfed the volatile far east of the country, as the UN humanitarian wing voiced concern over the impact of the latest violence on civilians.

Kinshasa : La Sadc s'engage à renforcer les FARDC dans la défense territoriale.

(22/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20780>

The heads of state at the SADC summit in Swaziland decided to provide some assistance to the Congo's military.

Press release (CIRGL worries about the situation in the DRC)

(6/10/2008 – International Conference on the Great Lakes Region)

For consultation at request.

The Secretariat of the ICGLR expresses its great concern on the deteriorating security situation in the DRC since the resumption of fighting on 28 August 2008 in North Kivu province between the CNDP rebel group and the FARDC.

Mémorandum de la société civile du Sud-Kivu adressé à son excellence monsieur le Président de la République Démocratique du Congo relativement à la situation sociopolitique et sécuritaire inquiétante dans les provinces du Nord-Kivu et du Sud-Kivu.

(14/10/2008 – South Kivu civil society)

For consultation at request.

South Kivu civil society memorandum addressed towards the DRC president concerning the security situation in the Kivu provinces.

Congo-Kinshasa: Reprise des hostilités à l'Est de la RDC - La Cenco lance un cri d'alarme à Adolphe Muzito.

(22/10/2008 – La Prospérité; published by allAfrica – 23/10/2008)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230596.html>

The episcopal conference is demanding Prime Minister Muzito to react fast and strongly to the violence in the eastern part of the country.

Le Ministre Charles Michel demande en urgence un débat sur la situation à l'Est du Congo au Conseil européen.

(27/10/2008 – BuZa)

<http://www.diplomatie.be/fr/press/homedetails.asp?TEXTID=92923>

(27/10/2008 – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900sid/MCOI-7KTKBM?OpenDocument>

Belgian Minister Charles Michel urgently calls for a debate on the situation in eastern Congo in the Council of the European Union.

Congo-Kinshasa: What the World Owes DRC.

(23/10/2008 – Pambazuka; published by allAfrica – 24/10/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810240288.html>

Kambale Musavuli discusses the importance of raising awareness around the crisis in the DR Congo. Musavuli urges the global community, and African-Americans in particular, to revitalise international attention on the Congo as a means of shedding light on the ongoing conflict and harnessing the potential for strong advocacy relationships.

Commentary: Stop the 'vampires' in the Congo.

(22/10/2008 – CNN)

http://edition.cnn.com/2008/WORLD/africa/10/21/bardem.congo/index.html?eref=editon_africa

Over the past decade, waves of violence have continuously crashed over eastern Democratic Republic of Congo, in the world's deadliest war.

Congo-Kinshasa: Entre 3.000 et 6.000 enfants au sein des groupes armés en RDC.

(23/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230403.html>

According to different estimations, there would still be between 3000 and 6000 children present in armed groups in the DRC.

Congo-Kinshasa: Congolese in the East Should Consider Secession.

(21/10/2008 – Focus Media; published by allAfrica – 22/10/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810220728.html>

Article on the idea of an eastern DRC secession movement.

Congo-Kinshasa: Une nouvelle rébellion contre la RDC en préparation en Ouganda.

(22/10/2008 – Le Phare; published by allAfrica – 23/10/2008)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230421.html>

Article on the suspicion of the formation of a new rebel movement in Uganda, against the DRC government.

Congo: les angoisses d'Armand De Decker.

(28/10/2008 – Colette Braeckman)

<http://blogs.lesoir.be/colette-braeckman/2008/10/29/congo-les-angoisses-darmand-de-decker/>

Article on Armand De Decker's statement that every time Belgium is cooling down its relations with the DRC, the situation in the country deteriorates dramatically.

FARDC : près de 90 militaires de l'ancien vice-président Jean-Pierre Bemba évacués d'un site de la Monuc.

(25/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20823>

FARDC : évacuation des éléments de l'ancienne garde de Jean-Pierre Bemba, mise au point de François Mwamba.

(26/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20830>

Some 90 former military men of Jean-Pierre Bemba's guard were evacuated from a MONUC camp (Incal) for their 'brassage'.

Two Rebel Groups, One Solution to the Crisis in Eastern DR Congo: AFJN policy paper.

(21/10/2008 – AfricaFiles)

<http://www.africafiles.org/article.asp?ID=19240>

AFJN latest policy paper examines the FDLR and the CNDP, rebel groups and considers what must be done to end the violence in the Kivus. The paper critiques the role of both Rwanda and the USA in the conflict, saying the FDLR and the CNDP must surrender and Rwanda must play a more responsible role.

Guerre de l'Est : la Monuc prête à soutenir l'armée congolaise contre les FDLR.

(23/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20790>

The MONUC is prepared to support FARDC when it will use force on FDLR rebels to make them respect the imposed deadline.

Ouganda: Neutralisation des FDLR, LRA - La vraie guerre commence.

(24/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810240374.html>

LRA and FDLR are getting an ultimatum by FARDC to engage in the DDR process.

Congo-Kinshasa: Repatriation Figures False – RDRC.

(27/10/2008 – The New Times - allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810271185.html>

Recent figures published by the DRC government of rebel fighters of the FDLR repatriated to Rwanda, since the beginning of the year have been dismissed by the chairman of the Rwanda Demobilisation and Reintegration Commission. A communiqué published by the DRC on October 19 had claimed that over 1,200 FDLR combatants had been voluntarily repatriated between January and the beginning of September.

Fighting between CNDP and FARDC

New York : l'Onu met en garde Laurent Nkunda.

(22/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20779>

Congo-Kinshasa: Nkunda au-dessus de la Constitution.

(23/10/2008 – Le Phare – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810231238.html>

Congo-Kinshasa: Le Conseil de sécurité sort de sa somnolence.

(23/10/2008 – Le Phare – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810231236.html>

The UN Security Council urges for a cease-fire in the eastern part of the DRC and warns Nkunda.

UN joins battle with Congo rebels.

(27/10/2008 – BBC)

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/7692932.stm>

U.N. gunships battle rebels in east Congo.

(27/10/2008 – CNN)

http://edition.cnn.com/2008/WORLD/africa/10/27/congo.united.nations/index.html?er=edition_africa

UN peacekeeping forces are engaged in heavy fighting against rebels in eastern DRC. The head of the UN mission, Alan Doss, told the BBC that helicopter gunships and armoured units were supporting the Congolese army north of Goma.

Sake : la population accuse le CNDP d'être à la base des perturbations du réseau téléphonique.

(23/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20802>

The population in Sake accuses the CNDP rebels of being responsible for the frequently returning breakdown of the telephone network.

RDC: la rébellion de Nkunda affirme avoir pris un camp militaire.

(26/10/2008 - La Libre)

<http://www.lalibre.be/toutelinfo/belga/103591/rdc-la-rebellion-de-nkunda-affirme-avoir-pris-un-camp-militaire.html>

Nord-Kivu : le CNDP reprend Rumangabo.

(26/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20826>

Congo-Kinshasa: Rebels Retake Gov't Military Base.

(27/10/2008 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810271181.html>

Congo-Kinshasa: Les éléments du CNDP occupent à nouveau le camp de Rumangabo.

(27/10/008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810271571.html>

DR Congo rebels seize army camp.

(26/10/2008 – BBC)

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/7691736.stm>

RDC: Reprise des combats au Nord Kivu.

(27/10/2008 – BBC)

http://www.bbc.co.uk/french/news/story/2008/10/081027_rdc_nkunda_fardc_goma.shtml

Thousands flee fighting as Congo rebels seize gorilla park.

(26/10/2008 – CNN)

http://edition.cnn.com/2008/WORLD/africa/10/26/congo.gorillapark/index.html?eref=edition_africa

(27/10/2008 – Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2008/oct/27/congo-wildlife>

Le gouvernement congolais dénonce une nouvelle attaque par le CNDP du camp militaire de Rumangabo et de plusieurs localités du Nord-Kivu.

(27/10/2008 – Acp - Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54465>

Rebels of the CNDP Sunday morning retook the strategic Rumangabo barracks from government forces for the second time in less than three weeks.

Reconquête de Rumangabo : la Monuc appelle le CNDP au respect des zones de séparation.

(26/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20831>

Congo-Kinshasa: Nord-Kivu - La Monuc demande au CNDP de se retirer de Rumangabo.

(28/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810280234.html>

MONUC Demands DRC Rebels Relinquish Seized Army Base.

(27/10/2008 – VOA news – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=18499>

MONUC stated the CNDP is breaking the January Goma agreements when it occupies Rumangabo.

Guerre de l'Est : 2 millions de déplacés, le CNDP s'explique, la Monuc appelle au respect des lignes de désengagement.

(28/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20847>

CNDP says it has recaptured Rumangabo because MONUC has not stopped FARDC from attacking CNDP.

Nord-Kivu : le CNDP signalé à 30 kilomètres de Goma.

(27/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20843>

Rutshuru : les FARDC reprennent les combats contre les CNDP qui détiennent toujours Rumangabo.

(27/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20837>

RDC : Nkunda menace le nouveau gouvernement.

(27/10/2008 – Afrik.com)

<http://www.afrik.com/article15538.html>

Congo-Kinshasa: Goma menacée - Pour qui roule la Monuc?

(28/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810280202.html>

Congo-Kinshasa: Les combats reprennent entre les FARDC et le CNDP/Rutshuru.

(28/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810280199.html>

RDC: Nkunda se rapproche de Goma.

(28/10/2008 – BBC)

http://www.bbc.co.uk/french/news/story/2008/10/081028_offensive_goma_demission.shtml

Fighting between FARDC and CNDP continues in the Kibumba-Rumangabo-Kalengera zone and in Rutshuru. Rebels have now approached at about 30 kilometres from Goma.

Rebels push back DR Congo troops.

(28/10/2008 – BBC)

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/7694766.stm>

Government troops in eastern DRC are withdrawing from their positions in Kibumba which is under attack by Tutsi rebels.

Congo rebels say they have captured eastern town.

(29/10/2008 – Reuters)

<http://africa.reuters.com/wire/news/usnLS493578.html>

Congolese Tutsi rebels overran the eastern town of Rutshuru on Tuesday, a rebel spokesman said, forcing tens of thousands of people to flee. The rebels loyal to renegade General Laurent Nkunda had also encircled the provincial capital Goma, 100 km to the south, the rebel spokesman said. That could not be independently verified.

Aid workers to evacuate Congo town, rebels advance.

(28/10/2008 – Reuters – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=18516>

U.N. peacekeepers prepared on Tuesday to evacuate around 50 foreign aid workers from a town in eastern Congo, which Tutsi rebels are advancing on, officials said. The rebels fought their way along a road toward Rutshuru, about 100 km north of North Kivu's provincial capital Goma on Tuesday, drawing within 10 km of the town.

UN attacks rebels to protect civilians in Congo.

(28/10/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=18513>

Rebels fire rockets at peacekeepers in Congo.

(27/10/2008 – AP – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=18498>

Furious mobs stoned U.N. peacekeepers' compounds Monday and thousands of desperate people fled advancing rebel troops as chaos returned to eastern Congo, fueled by festering hatreds left over from the Rwandan genocide and the country's unrelenting civil wars.

North Kivu: MONUC condemns attack on UN convoy.

(28/10/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsId=18514>

MONUC has condemned in the strongest terms an attack by elements from the CNDP on a convoy of UN forces as they were maintaining security for civilians along the road link between Goma and Rutshuru. Five rockets were fired on two UN armoured personnel carriers that were part of the convoy of MONUC Blue Helmets near Kalengera.

Congo-Kinshasa: Le Cndp de Nkunda continue de violer, la Monuc est dos au mur!

(28/10/2008 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810280213.html>

Congo-Kinshasa: Goma - Des manifestants attaquent les bureaux de la Monuc.

(28/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810280201.html>

As CNDP continues fighting, the population in North Kivu is very angry. On Monday two people died in a spontaneous anti-MONUC protest march.

Guerre en Rdc : Kagame nomme un colonel rwandais pour coordonner les opérations militaires du CNDP de Laurent Nkunda.

(25/10/2008 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54422>

There are accusations that Kagame has nominated a general to coordinate the military operations of Nkunda.

La Monuc qui cherche des preuves de l'agression rwandaise en RDC laisse rapatrier 86 soldats rwandais capturés à l'Est!

(25/10/2008 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54428>

Many observers regret the MONUC does not want to recognize that Rwanda is supporting the CNDP rebels.

Rumangabo retombe aux mains du CNDP, et la Monuc n'a, à nouveau, rien vu venir!

(27/10/2008 – Colette Braeckman - Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54461>

La Monuc entre deux feux.

(28/10/2008 – Colette Braeckman)

<http://blogs.lesoir.be/colette-braeckman/2008/10/29/la-monuc-entre-deux-feux/>

Articles of Colette Braeckman concerning the advance of the CNDP rebels and the MONUC incapacity to react properly.

Alan Doss briefs international journalists on fighting in North Kivu.

(28/10/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/news.aspx?newsID=18523>

Alan Doss, has been giving journalists more details of what's been happening on the ground in North Kivu. In an hour long question and answer session with journalists in New York via video conference from Kinshasa, Mr Doss explained that the situation on the ground is changing by the hour. He went on to give further details about the background to military, diplomatic and political moves to try and bring an end to the latest fighting.

Fighting in Ituri**Congo-Kinshasa: Ituri - La Monuc signale des combats à Marabo et Nyakunde.**

(23/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230727.html>

MONUC reported there were some fights with rebels in Ituri, but that MONUC would support FARDC to push back the rebels.

Ituri : les miliciens du FPJC libèrent 7 otages.

(24/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20811>

7 people who were taken hostage by FPJC rebels, after their attacks on Nyakunde, were released.

Ituri : la milice FPJC se dit prête à négocier avec le gouvernement.

(22/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20783>

The Ituri provincial assembly urges the central government to start negotiations with the FPJC rebels.

Ugandan LRA rebels in eastern DRC**SUDAN: LRA rebels put Congo civilians to flight.**

(22/10/2008 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/report.aspx?ReportID=81040>

The recent attack on Dungu town in northeastern DRC by the Ugandan rebel LRA occurred on a quiet morning, displaced civilians said. The northern Ugandan insurgents, now based in remote Congolese jungle hideouts, then dragged away school children, binding their hands tightly together. The attack sent the villagers trekking some 55km through thick jungle to the Sudan border, avoiding roads for fear of running into other rebel units.

Congo terror after LRA rebel raids.

(23/10/2008 – BBC)

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/7685235.stm>

Tens of thousands of people have fled their homes after the LRA fighters raided 16 villages, according to the United Nations peacekeeping mission in DR Congo.

LRA on the Rampage.

(28/10/2008 – Institute for war and peace reporting)

http://www.iwpr.net/index.php?apc_state=hen&s=o&o=l=EN&p=acr&s=f&o=347466

The LRA is on the rampage in north-eastern DRC forcing an estimated 70,000 civilians from their homes, dragooning children into their ranks, and killing those who get in its way.

Ugandan rebels kill six civilians in DR Congo, UN mission reports.

(22/10/2008 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=28677&Cr=drc&Cr1=>

LRA Rebels attack a Locality in Eastern DRC.

(21/10/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=18460>

LRA rebels operating in the DRC killed six civilians in a deadly attack in the north-eastern village of Bangadi, the United Nations peacekeeping mission to the DRC reported today.

Dungu : les FARDC sauvent 15 personnes enlevées par la LRA.

(24/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20815>

RD Congo : l'armée sauve 15 personnes enlevées par la LRA.

(25/10/2008 – Afrik.com)

<http://www.afrik.com/article15528.html>

Guerre à l'Est : Les FARDC libèrent 15 personnes enlevées par les rebelles ougandais de la LRA.

(25/10/2008 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/54450>

Last week LRA rebels attacked Kitili village and kidnapped 15 persons, who were released on Thursday after a FARDC rescue operation.

Afrique Centrale: La LRA en passe de déstabiliser le Soudan et l'Afrique centrale.

(28/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810280204.html>

Analyst say the LRA rebel movement is destabilizing Sudan and the Central African Region. A common regional approach would thus be an appropriate answer.

Congo-Kinshasa: Province Orientale - premiers bilans d'incursions des rebelles.

(27/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810271539.html>

Article making the balance of victims after the beginning of the LRA attacks in September.

IDP's, refugees and humanitarian aid

Forced to Flee.

(October 2008 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/filmtv.aspx#> (film)

(23/10/2008 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/report.aspx?ReportID=81072> (article)

Two IRIN films concerning displaced people in the DRC and the Philippines. The DRC film looks at refugees in Minova.

About 15,000 newly displaced in villages in Rumangabo area.

(23/10/2008 – MONUC)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=18471> (English)

<http://www.monuc.org/News.aspx?newsID=18470> (French)

MONUC's Civil Affairs Section recently visited Biruma, Kalengera and Rumangabo, three villages that lie 55, 61 and 50 kilometres north of Goma, to find out how civilian protection is organised following this month's attack on Rumangabo by the CNDP.

Some 30,000 Congolese flee to IDP settlement in North Kivu.

(28/10/2008 – UNHCR)

<http://www.unhcr.org/news/NEWS/49072dea4.html>

Democratic Republic of the Congo: Goma braces for arrival of up to 30,000 displaced.

(27/10/2008 – UNHCR)

<http://www.unhcr.org/news/NEWS/4906fb6e4.html>

An estimated 30,000 people displaced by fresh fighting between government forces and rebel troops have begun arriving in sites near Goma, the capital of eastern DRC's North Kivu province.

Thousands flee heavy fighting in Congo.

(28/10/2008 – Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/video/2008/oct/28/congo-fighting-nkunda>

Video images of the refugees and displaced persons on the run for the violence in North Kivu.

Rutshuru: La population se vide, les combats se poursuivent à une vingtaine de kilomètres de Goma.

(28/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20845>

Civilians on the run for the exaggerating violence in North Kivu.

Butembo : des déplacés sans assistance à Eringeti.

(22/10/2008 - Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20782>

The displaced people near Beni, who fled the violence between FARDC and FRPI, are deprived of any assistance.

Violence stymies WFP in eastern Congo as thousands flee.

(28/10/2008 – UN World Food Programme – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/EGUA-7KUQTC?OpenDocument&RSS20=18-P>

"It's getting harder and harder to reach the displaced," said World Food Programme Goma logistics chief Peter Schaller. For the moment, at least, WFP cannot move food to those who need it. As many as 15 trucks are loaded and ready to move just as soon as a window of opportunity presents itself.

Kabinda : situation humanitaire désastreuse à Ntungulu.

(23/10/2008 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=20798>

Local civil society reports that the humanitarian situation is disastrous in Ntungulu, East Kasai.

Thousands displaced in DR Congo.

(24/10/2008 – BBC)

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/7690015.stm>

Thousands flee heavy fighting in Congo

(28/10/2008 – Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2008/oct/28/goma-congo-fighting-rebels>

The UN says about 200,000 people have been displaced by renewed fighting in the eastern DRC in the past two months. Previously the United Nations had reported half that number.

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Uganda: Army Refutes Looming War Reports.

(21/10/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 22/10/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810220039.html>

The UPDF yesterday said there was no looming war at Uganda's border with Sudan. The army spokesperson said the UPDF was monitoring the borders as a precautionary measure against the LRA.

Uganda: ICC Inquires on Congo's Kony Pursuit.

(23/10/2008 – New Vision; published by allAfrica – 24/10/2008)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810240077.html>

Congo-Kinshasa: Mandat d'arrêt contre J. Kony - la CPI demande des informations détaillées à la RDC.

(23/10/2008 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200810230830.html>

The International Criminal Court has asked for the steps the DR Congo has taken in pursuing the indicted leaders of the LRA.

Congo-Kinshasa: ICC Issues Fresh Orders for Country to Arrest Kony.

(23/10/2008 – The Monitor – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810230510.html>

The International Criminal Court in The Hague, Netherlands, has issued an ultimatum to the Democratic Republic of Congo to execute arrest warrants for LRA rebel leader Joseph Kony.

Uganda: Gulu Landmine Survivors Find Fresh Spring in Their Step.

(28/10/2008 – The Monitor - allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200810280159.html>

It is a little over two years since the guns fell silent in northern Uganda following the start of peace talks between the government and the LRA rebels in the Southern Sudan capital, Juba. But the scars are still fresh for many victims of the 20-year war.

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Burundi: Muyinga Massacre Convictions a Victory.

(24/10/2008 – HRW; published by allAfrica – 25/10/2008)

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The October 23 conviction by a military tribunal of 15 soldiers for the massacre of 31 civilians in Muyinga province in 2006 is an important blow against impunity in Burundi, Human Rights Watch said today.

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Rwanda: Role of Military Key in Post-Conflict Resolution.

(27/10/2008 – The New Times - allAfrica)

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The failure in post-conflicts situations to groom civilised national armies geared not just to maintaining security but to foster peace, has often resulted in the sustenance of a mentality that a soldier lives for one thing - military combat.

Rwanda: Germany Pledges 216 Million for Demining.

(27/10/2008 – The New Times – allAfrica)

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The German government is spending about 300.000 euros in Rwanda in honour of the country's pledge to carry out demining activities. The mines, mostly Anti Personnel and Anti Tank landmines, were placed during the war between 1990 and 1994.

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The sixth South Africa-DRC mixed commission is gathering to asses the progress in the realisation of bilateral agreements. Themes on the agenda are among other things security and the mining sector.

Uganda: Newly Oil Rich Bunyoro Insists on a Piece of the Presidency in 2011.

(26/10/2008 – The Monitor; published by allAfrica – 27/10/2008)

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