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## Natural resources in the Great Lakes Region

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### DRC

#### **DR Congo mining ban to be lifted soon.**

(22/09/2010 – ITRI)

[http://www.itri.co.uk/pooled/articles/BF\\_NEWSART/view.asp?Q=BF\\_NEWSART\\_320857](http://www.itri.co.uk/pooled/articles/BF_NEWSART/view.asp?Q=BF_NEWSART_320857)

*Democratic Republic of Congo will soon lift a ban on mining in its troubled eastern provinces, its mines minister told Reuters. On September 11, the government banned mining in North Kivu, South Kivu and Maniema, provinces which account for about 85% of the country's tin production and are also important sources of coltan and gold.*

#### **Bukavu: suspension des activités minières, tous les comptoirs d'achat à l'arrêt.**

(24/09/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/09/24/bukavu-suspension-des-activites-miniieres-les-comptoirs-d%E2%80%99achat-des-minerais-dans-le-deuil/>

*All Bukavu comptoirs have suspended their activities, and a lot of artisanal miners would have left the mines following the ban on mining in Maniema and the Kivus proclaimed by Kabila.*

#### **The mining ban in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: will soldiers give up the habit?**

(11/09/2010 – SIPRI)

<http://www.sipri.org/media/newsletter/essay/september10>

*During a tour of Nord-Kivu province, Congolese President Joseph Kabila announced that all artisanal mineral exploitation in the east of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) was suspended. According to Kabila, the ban is intended to stem the recent upsurge of violence in the area. Kabila is right that the violence is due, among other things, to competition over control of the mining areas and access to the associated revenues. The question is how much good a ban alone can do.*

#### **'Blood gold' warning at precious-metals conference.**

(27/09/2010 – Mail&Guardian)

<http://www.mg.co.za/article/2010-09-27-blood-gold-warning-at-preciousmetals-conference>

*A UN expert on the DRC warned a precious-metals conference on Monday that the industry faced a "public relations disaster" unless it tackled the problem of "blood gold". "There is a high risk that any artisanally mined gold coming out of the country is 'blood gold'," Gregory Mthembu-Salter, a member of the UN Group of Experts on the DRC, said.*

#### **RD Congo/Nord-Kivu : des avions et des mines, mais pas de routes, ni d'argent.**

(29/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/KHII-89R45N?OpenDocument&RSS20=02-P>

*Article on the mineral wealth and isolation of Walikale territory.*

**Walendu Bindi : 7 creuseurs meurent asphyxiés dans une mine d'or à Bavi.**

(28/09/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/09/28/walendu-bindi-7-creuseurs-meurent-asphyxies-dans-une-mine-d%E2%80%99or-a-bavi/>

*Seven artisanal miners suffocated in Bavi, 55 kilometres south of Bunia, after an artisanal gold mine collapsed.*

**Question Mark over MIBA's Real Reserves.**

(22/09/2010 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

*The revival of MIBA will spring from selling concessions to foreign investors. Geologists however differ over the extent of MIBA's diamond reserves and their value.*

**Pour éviter les erreurs du secteur minier - Pétrole : devoir de transparence.**

(23/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009230387.html>

*Article advising the Congolese government to establish a responsible management and transparency in the country's petroleum sector.*

**Un colis de diamants se volatilise à Ndjili-Aéro.**

(27/09/2010 – Le Phare – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009271695.html>

*A box of diamonds, destined to be exported illegally, has disappeared at Ndjili airport.*

## UGANDA

**Uganda wildlife soared over past decade: authority.**

(25/09/2010 – TerraDaily)

[http://www.terradaily.com/reports/Uganda\\_wildlife\\_soared\\_over\\_past\\_decade\\_authority\\_999.html](http://www.terradaily.com/reports/Uganda_wildlife_soared_over_past_decade_authority_999.html)

*Wildlife populations at Uganda's major national parks have boomed over the past 10 years with the expulsion of rebels contributing to a fall in poaching, the authority told AFP Saturday.*

## BURUNDI

**Burundi: Six illegal tin miners die in collapse.**

(23/09/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-11399816>

*At least six people have died after a cassiterite mine collapsed in Burundi, 120km north of the capital. Three other people injured in the accident have been taken to hospital, and another four are missing.*

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## International mining companies in the Great Lakes Region

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### DRC

#### **Congo and Areva in uranium exploration talks.**

(23/09/2010 – Reuters)

<http://af.reuters.com/article/drcNews/idAFLDE68M20J20100923>

#### **Exploitation des mines d'uranium de la RDC : Kinshasa négocie activement avec la société française AREVA!**

(22/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/70269>

#### **Uranium - Kinshasa négocie avec la Française AREVA.**

(22/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009220315.html>

#### **Areva intéressé par la RDC et son uranium.**

(25/09/2010 – Radio France Internationale - allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009270779.html>

*The DRC and France's Areva are in talks over possible uranium exploration at a now-closed site that once produced material for the Hiroshima bomb. Congo's largest uranium mine, Shinkolobwe, was officially closed in 2004, but the United Nations has since cautioned that radioactive material from Congo is frequently smuggled out.*

#### **Le bloc pétrolier Ndunda dans le bassin côtier sous le contrôle de Eni Oil Holding.**

(24/09/2010 – ACP – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/70284>

*The Italian oil enterprise ENI Oil has acquired majority in the exploitation of the Ndunda petroleum bloc in Bas-Congo, taking Surestream's shares.*

#### **Liquidation de KMT - Le rapport préliminaire met en avant l'article 230 du Code minier.**

(25/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009270639.html>

*A draft report on the liquidation of KMT, written by an independent expert appointed by the Congolese government, is favouring the government's position in the dispute, referring to article 230 of the Mining Code.*

#### **Resource giants spar over disputed DR Congo mine.**

(26/09/2010 – AFP)

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5isr0gRGuP50xSB5Bu0Ni47hKYJWA>

*A bitter dispute between two London-listed mining giants over copper assets in the DRC has shone a spotlight on business risks in one of the world's most corrupt countries. At the centre of the dispute are the rights to a copper mine in Kolwezi, in the southeast of the DRC, that were owned by First Quantum Minerals (FQM) before it was stripped of them by Congolese authorities in August 2008. To make matters worse, a year later the rights to the mine were sold on at a bargain basement price to rival Eurasian Natural Resources Corporation (ENRC), which is listed in London but controlled by Kazakh capital.*

**African Metals Corp. Provides Update on Activities at Its Luisha South Projects, Katanga Province, Democratic Republic of Congo.**

(27/09/2010 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/African-Metals-Corp-Provides-Update-on-Activities-Its-Luisha-South-Projects-Katanga-TSX-VENTURE-AFR-1325774.htm>

*African Metals Corporation is pleased to provide an exploration update on its on activities at its project in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.*

## UGANDA

**Uganda seeks Tullow's help as tax talks stall with Heritage.**

(28/09/2010 – Daily Monitor)

<http://www.monitor.co.ug/Business/Business%20Power/-/688616/1018826/-/152vaecz/-/>

*Uganda wants Tullow to help ensure that the government can recover at least \$405 million in unpaid capital gains tax on the sale earlier this year of Heritage's half stakes in two Ugandan oil blocks to Tullow, Mr Lokeris said.*

**Uganda, Indian firms in oil deal.**

(29/09/2010 – East African business Week)

<http://www.busiweek.com/10/page.php?aid=1338>

*The Uganda government and an Indian private company Essar Group are currently holding negotiations for the up scaling of the Mombasa Oil refinery.*

## RWANDA

**Rutongo Mines Certify Origins of goods.**

(22/09/2010 – Africa Mining Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

*Rutongo Mines Ltd., a JV between Kigali and the Swiss concern Ruddington Services AG which owns a cassiterite mine in the Rutongo district, will be the first company to benefit from the certification services of the International Tin Research Institute.*

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## Arms trade / Security in the Great Lakes Region

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**Burundi denies links to DRC crimes in UN report.**

(22/09/2010 – Reuters)

[http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJOE68L0BX20100922?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](http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJOE68L0BX20100922?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)

*Burundi's government has protested against allegations in a draft United Nations report that its soldiers were involved in human rights abuses in neighbouring Democratic Republic of Congo from 1993 to 2003.*

**DRC mapping report: An inventory of atrocities.**

(29/09/2010 – Mail&Guardian)

<http://www.mg.co.za/article/2010-09-29-drc-mapping-report-an-inventory-of-atrocities>

*The draft UN mapping report detailing crimes by armed forces in the Democratic Republic of Congo is an inventory of atrocities committed with impunity over a 10-year period.*

### **In Brief: Thousands of DRC, Burundi refugees to return home.**

(28/09/2010 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/report.aspx?ReportId=90608>

*UNHCR will begin helping thousands of Burundian refugees living in the DRC and vice-versa to return home from 5 and 20 October respectively.*

## **DRC**

### **Rwandan troops in the Kivus?**

(23/09/2010 – Congo Siasa)

<http://congosiasa.blogspot.com/2010/09/rwandan-troops-in-kivus.html>

### **More reports of Rwandan troops deploying to Congo.**

(23/09/2010 – The Christian Science Monitor)

<http://www.csmonitor.com/World/Africa/Africa-Monitor/2010/0923/More-reports-of-Rwandan-troops-deploying-to-Congo>

*There have been more and more reports of Rwandan troops in the Kivus this past week. Internally, MONUSCO military intelligence has reported unconfirmed allegations of two RDF battalions in Walikale to help out with the Congolese army's operations there. The head of the UN mission, Roger Meece, however, says these allegations are unfounded.*

### **La présence des FARDC à Walikale provoque un mouvement de populations.**

(24/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009240627.html>

*According to OCHA, the FARDC presence in Walikale, deployed to chase away Mai Mai and FDLR rebels from the mining sites, has caused population movements in the territory.*

### **DR Congo: UN mission chief concerned over violence in troubled North Kivu.**

(22/09/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=36053&Cr=democratic&Cr1=congo> (English)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=23059&Cr=Congo&Cr1=> (French)

*The head of the UN peacekeeping mission in the DRC voiced deep concern over continuing violence in the eastern province of North Kivu, where the Government is investigating a series of recent killings.*

### **Kinshasa: le lieutenant-colonel, Amadou Gueye annonce la fin de l'opération Shop Windows.**

(23/09/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/09/23/kinshasa-le-lieutenant-colonel-amadou-gueye-annonce-la-fin-de-%E2%80%99operation-shop-windows/>

*Lieutenant colonel Amadou Gueye announced the end of operation 'Shop Window' in Walikale.*

### **DR Congo: Managing the Transition.**

(28/09/2010 – Refugees International – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/VVOS-89QMEK?OpenDocument&RSS20=18-P>

*Discussions about the future of peacekeeping in the DR Congo and the modalities of withdrawal are happening while the east of the country remains steeped in conflict. Joint efforts by the UN stabilization mission and the Congolese Government to map remaining challenges have been rushed and incoherent. Assessment methodology was designed without reference to key actors, both inside and outside the mission. As the UN Security Council begins discussing the withdrawal of MONUSCO (formerly MONUC) forces, the assessment planning process must be made more consistent, UN agencies and civil society must be given a voice in the process, and critical civilian efforts must continue to be developed and supported.*

### **Exactions au pays - L'UE appelle Kinshasa à agir pour protéger les civils.**

(23/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009230396.html>

*The European Union demanded the Congolese government to increase their efforts to protect the civilian population in eastern DRC.*

### **La RDC affirme qu'elle s'efforce d'éradiquer l'insécurité.**

(23/09/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=23098&Cr=Congo&Cr1=>

### **Présence des groupes armés au pays - Kinshasa déterminée à éradiquer le phénomène.**

(28/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009280590.html>

*President Kabila declared at the UN General Assembly the Congolese authorities are making efforts to eradicate insecurity in the eastern part of the country.*

### **Spectre d'une nouvelle guerre - FARDC : le CNDP s'oppose aux permutations.**

(28/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009280587.html>

*Ex-CNDP, high FARDC officers oppose to be redeployed to other parts of the country, supposedly they do not want to lose access to the eastern DRC's mineral wealth.*

### **Preliminary UN report confirms over 300 rapes by rebels in eastern DR Congo.**

(24/09/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=36129&Cr=democratic&Cr1=congo> (English)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=23107&Cr=Congo&Cr1=> (French)

### **The UN releases preliminary findings of the inquiry into massive rapes in Walikale territory.**

(24/09/2010 – MONUSCO)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=932&ctl=Details&mid=1096&ItemID=10537>

### **L'ONU publie les résultats préliminaires sur les viols massifs commis à Walikale.**

(24/09/2010 – MONUSCO)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1069&ctl=Details&mid=1143&ItemID=10520>

### **Publication par l'Onu des résultats préliminaires sur les viols massifs commis à Walikale au Nord-Kivu.**

(25/09/2010 – Le Palmarès – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/70346>

### **New York: l'Onu confirme 303 cas viols perpétrés à Walikale.**

(25/09/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/09/25/new-york-%E2%80%99onu-confirme-303-cas-viols-perpetres-a-walikale/>

### **L'ONU dénonce plus de 300 viols en quatre jours dans 13 villages du Kivu.**

(24/09/2010 – Radio France Internationale - allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009270199.html>

*A United Nations human rights team today confirmed that at least 303 civilians were raped over a period of four days in late July and early August in the volatile far east of the DRC, warning that the total number of victims may be even higher. "The scale and viciousness of these mass rapes defy belief," said UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Navi Pillay.*

### **DR Congo rapes 'defy belief', says UN.**

(24/09/2010 – BBC)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-11407180>

*The UN's human rights chief has said the "scale and viciousness" of mass rapes in DR Congo "defy belief", as a report into the attack was released. Navi Pillay said that, even for the region, the incident stood out because of the "extraordinarily cold-blooded and systematic way" it was carried out.*

### **Senior UN official in DR Congo to investigate mass rape of civilians.**

(28/09/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=36254&Cr=DEMOCRATIC&Cr1=CONGO> (English)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=23174&Cr=RDC&Cr1=> (French)

### **La Représentante spéciale pour les violences sexuelles dans les conflits séjourne en RDC.**

(28/09/2010 – MONUSCO)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1069&ctl=Details&mid=1143&ItemID=10546>

*Margot Wallström, a leading UN official, in the fight against sexual violence during conflict began a week-long visit to the DRC to coordinate a response to the mass rape by rebels of more than 300 civilians two months ago in the country's east.*

### **UN to Prosecute FDLR Over Mass Rapes.**

(28/09/2010 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201009280161.html>

### **Une experte demande que les rebelles soient jugés.**

(28/09/2010 – AngolaPress – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009280868.html>

### **Viols en RDC: Mme Margot Wallström réclame justice.**

(28/09/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/09/28/viols-en-rdc-mme-margot-wallstrom-reclame-justice/>

*A United Nation expert yesterday said that the UN will push for the prosecution of leaders of rebel groups accused of mass rape of civilians in eastern DRC. Margot Wallstrom, UN Special Representative on the prevention of sexual violence in conflict, singled out the FDLR and the Mai-Mai militia, saying urgent action was needed "before the trail goes cold."*

### **Roger Meece: "A lot of work still remains to be done in Equateur province".**

(23/09/2010 – MONUSCO)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=932&ctl=Details&mid=1096&ItemID=10532> (English)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1069&ctl=Details&mid=1143&ItemID=10521> (French)

### **La Monusco s'implique dans la lutte contre les violences sexuelles.**

(25/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009270637.html>

*The Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for the DRC during a working visit to the administrative town of Equateur province urged to ponder for a while and make an assessment of the achievements made by the DRC for the past ten years, while acknowledging that there was still a lot to be achieved to get the country in general and Equateur province in particular, out of the cycle of violence and for consolidation of peace.*

### **Les commerçants pédaleurs dénoncent des tracasseries policières sur l'axe Lusambo – Mbuji-Mayi.**

(27/09/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/09/27/les-commerçants-pedaleurs-denoncent-des-tracasseries-policières-sur-l%E2%80%99axe-lusambo-mbuji-mayi/>

*'Pédaleurs' from Lubefu and Lusambo denounce the extortions and harassments committed by the police on the Lusambo – Mbuji-Mayi axis.*

**DRC: EU extends police mission in support of SSR.**

(23/09/2010 – europafrica.net)

<http://europafrica.net/2010/09/23/drc-eu-extends-police-mission-in-support-of-ssr/>

**Mandat de la mission EUPOL RD Congo prolongé d'un an jusqu'au 30 septembre 2011.**

(September 2010 – eupol-rdc.eu)

<http://www.eupol-rdc.eu/dossier.php?num=145&style=bleu&numdos=57>

**L'UE prolonge les missions de l'EUPOL et EUSEC en RDC.**

(25/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009270636.html>

*The Council adopted a decision extending until 30 September 2011 the EU police mission undertaken in the framework of reform of the security sector (SSR) and its interface with the system of justice in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (EUPOL RD Congo).*

**FARDC: une formation pour rendre la justice militaire davantage efficace et équitable.**

(28/09/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/09/28/fardc-une-formation-pour-rendre-la-justice-militaire-davantage-efficace-et-equitable/>

*A training session, financed among others by MONUSCO, organised in Kinshasa, has to improve the efficacy and equitability of the FARDC's military justice.*

**Congo's civilians need protection.**

(23/09/2010 – The Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2010/sep/23/un-congo-civilians>

*The crisis in eastern Congo will not be solved until thousands of displaced people can safely return to their homes.*

**UN-backed repatriation of Congolese from Zambia passes milestone.**

(25/09/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=36171&Cr=Democratic&Cr1=Congo>

*The United Nations refugee agency is preparing to close two refugee camps in Zambia as the number of Congolese who have successfully returned home in a UN-backed programme over the past three years tops 40,000.*

**Walikale: 500 réfugiés congolais en provenance du Rwanda contestés.**

(23/09/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/09/23/walikale-500-refugies-congolais-en-provenance-du-rwanda-contestes/>

**Déferlement des populations à l'Est du pays - Walikale s'oppose à l'installation de 500 réfugiés congolais venus du Rwanda.**

(27/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009271030.html>

*The return of five hundred Congolese refugees, coming from Rwanda, to Walikale has been contested by the local population.*

**RDC/Nord-Kivu - Rapport hebdomadaire du 15 au 21 septembre 2010.**

(21/09/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/VDUX-89KPP9?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

**RDC : Bulletin d'information humanitaire, 21 septembre 2010 - Province du Katanga.**

(21/09/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/VDUX-89KPRM?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

**BRIEFING HUMANITAIRE EN RDC - Du 20 au 24 Septembre 2010.**

(24/09/2010 – OCHA – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/LSGZ-89LHAL?OpenDocument&RSS20=22-P>

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

## **FDLR**

### **FDLR Commander Defects.**

(29/09/2010 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201009290008.html>

*Internal wrangles and sectarianism have engulfed the FDLR, Lt. Col. Elie Mutarambirwa, the latest rebel officer to defect has revealed. Mutarambirwa, alias Martin Safari, the former commander of FDRL First Battalion code named Someka of 1st Division covering North Kivu, says he defected, following wrangles in their hierarchy. He was repatriated to Rwanda on Monday.*

## **LRA**

### **DR Congo: UN steps up border patrols after reported rebel arms trafficking to Uganda.**

(23/09/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=36088&Cr=Democratic&Cr1=Congo>

### **Selon la Monusco - La LRA serait impliquée dans un trafic d'armes.**

(23/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009230393.html>

### **La LRA impliquée dans le trafic d'armes à travers le Sud-Soudan et la RDC vers l'Ouganda, selon la Monusco.**

(22/09/2010 – Radio Okapi)

<http://radiookapi.net/actualite/2010/09/22/la-lra-impliquee-dans-le-traffic-d%E2%80%99armes-a-travers-le-sud-soudan-et-la-rdc-vers-l%E2%80%99ouganda-selon-la-monusco/>

*United Nations peacekeepers are patrolling the border between the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and Uganda after reports of arms trafficking by the rebel Ugandan Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) across DRC and southern Sudan.*

### **RDC : de nouveaux civils tués par des rebelles de la LRA.**

(23/09/2010 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=23082&Cr=Congo&Cr1=>

*At least six civilians have been killed by LRA rebels last week in Dungu and Haut-Uélé.*

### **Sudan Government Earmarks U.S.\$2 Million to Fight LRA.**

(29/09/2010 – The Monitor – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201009290117.html>

### **Le Sud-Soudan va armer les milices contre les rebelles de la LRA.**

(28/09/2010 – AngolaPress – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009280871.html>

*The Southern Sudanese Parliament has allocated five million Sudanese pounds (\$2 million) to provide local community militia groups also known as "Arrow Boys" with weapons to fight the LRA. The announcement was made yesterday.*

## **UGANDA**

### **Army Kills Three Pokot Warriors.**

(28/09/2010 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201009290071.html>

*Three suspected Pokot warriors were shot dead in Moroto district on Friday in a joint operation by the UPDF and the Police. The rest of the warriors escaped with all the stolen animals during the 20-minute fire exchange.*

## RWANDA

### **No One Can Destabilize the Country – Kabarebe.**

(27/09/2010 – The New times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201009270017.html>

*The Minister of Defence, General James Kabarebe, has dismissed threats by some dissident groups, saying that no one has the capacity to destabilize the reconstruction and development that the country is currently undergoing. General James Kabarebe said that the threats from some of the defectors who include fugitives; Kayumba Nyamwasa, Patrick Karegyeya, Theogene Rudasingwa and former Prosecutor General, Gerald Gahima are just verbal threats that cannot destabilize the country.*

## BURUNDI

### **Nouvelles menaces de troubles sur le Burundi?**

(22/09/2010 – Afrik.com)

<http://www.afrik.com/article20835.html>

*Violence and killings are rising in northwest Bujumbura, two months after Burundi's general elections. Governmental sources, shutting the opposition's mouth, are talking about 'armed bandits', while others are talking about the rise of a new rebellion.*

### **BURUNDI: Killings spread fear, disrupt livelihoods.**

(24/09/2010 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/report.aspx?ReportId=90580>

*Several mysterious killings in Burundi, where memories of civil war are still fresh, have spread fear and disrupted livelihoods, while authorities have sought to play down talk of renewed armed insurrection, blaming some of the deaths on bandits.*

### **Mutilated bodies found in Burundi river 'rebels'.**

(28/09/2010 – BBC)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-11428736>

*A human rights group in Burundi says some of the mutilated bodies found in a river last week belong to members of a former rebel group. The Association for the Protection of Detainees and Human Rights said four of the 14 bodies had been identified as members of the FNL. There have been a number of killings and arrests of opposition supporters in Burundi in recent months.*

### **Govt Pledges to Help Burundi on Security.**

(23/09/2010 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201009240161.html>

*The Uganda People's Defence Forces is ready to assist Burundi to improve its national security institutions, according to Gen. Katumba Wamala, the commander of the land forces.*

### **Burundi ex-rebel chief appeals for UN intervention.**

(25/09/2010 – AFP)

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5hvhbCVsHOA9rwUswkUmXb89Y-w>

### **Burundi : le chef des ex-rebelles en appelle à l'ONU.**

(25/09/2010 – AFP - africa1.com)

<http://africa1.com/spip.php?article3905>

*Agathon Rwasa, a former rebel chief in Burundi has appealed to UN chief Ban Ki-moon to intervene and prevent the east African nation from falling again into violent conflict, according to a letter received Friday by AFP.*

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### **Cimenterie de Lukala - Le Groupe Forrest International scelle un partenariat avec HEIDELBERG CEMENT pour la production du ciment en RDC.**

(25/09/2010 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009270642.html>

### **Groupe Forrest International et Heidelberg Cement en partenariat pour la reconstruction de la RDC.**

(25/09/2010 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201009270878.html>

*Forrest International and HeidelbergCement are starting up a partnership to produce cement in the DRC.*

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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>

**Les devoirs internationaux de la République centrafricaine relatifs à la conservation des milieux d'importance et des espèces sauvages.**

(July 2007 – IPIS)

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

**Une analyse de la législation environnementale et de la législation minière de la République Centrafricaine dans le contexte des activités des entreprises.**

(June 2010 – IPIS)

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

**Amélioration de la pratique de l'Etude d'Impact Environnemental.**

(June 2010 – IPIS)

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

*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](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](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>

**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.*

**Exceptions in dual-use export licenses.**

(September 2009 – Steunpunt Buitenlands Beleid / IPIS)

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

*This paper begins with a general explanation of the applicable export policies in the United States and provides in chapter two an overview of the restrictions and conditions in applying a License Exception. Chapter three focuses on the License Exceptions that are similar with the CGEAs in the EC's Proposal.*

**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.*

## **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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