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NEW ACQUISITIONS OF THE IPIS LIBRARY

SMILLIE, I. (2009) *Freedom from want*, Kumarian Press: USA, 285p.

IPIS LATEST REPORTS

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

(13/05/2009 – IPIS)

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

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

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

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

(29/04/2009 – IPIS)

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

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

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

The paper also looks into what extent FINEXPO's and Ducroire/Nationale Delcredere's practices match the financial terms, legal terms and conditions

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

Mapping Conflict Motives: Central African Republic.

(20/02/2009 – IPIS)

www.ipisresearch.be/mapping_car.php

IPIS has published 'Mapping Conflict Motives: Central African Republic'. It is the third study in the IPIS mapping series and it deals with the presence, behaviour and motivation of the armed groups that operated in the Central African Republic in 2008. Also the French version of the report is now online.

Rechercher la problématique des ressources naturelles dans la RDC.

(12/02/2009 – IPIS)

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

This syllabus has been created by IPIS for its project 'Renforcement de capacité d'ONG congolaises qui travaillent autour les ressources naturelles : méthodologies de recherche et rédaction de dossiers de haute qualité servant de base aux activités de campagne et de lobbying'. The project aims to reinforce the capacity of Congolese NGOs to produce reports and articles of high quality.

Mapping Conflict Motives: Katanga Update: May- September 2008.

(6/01/2009 – IPIS)

<http://www.ipisresearch.be/updates-katanga.php>

This report is the third (and for the moment the last) 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 May 2008 until September 2008.

IPIS would like to highlight the following issues dealt with in the report:

Security problems in Katanga have stopped figuring in the news. To a certain extent this is justified because the overall humanitarian situation in Katanga has improved and in general the number of human rights violations has decreased.

However, with MONUC gradually retreating from the province the international presence diminishes and with it the number of eyes and ears of observers in the field. Nonetheless, for the future several security hazards remain.

For one, the impact of the economic crisis on Katanga is enormous. Virtually all mining companies have significantly reduced or stopped their activities. The social consequences are dire for a province that economically relies heavily on mining. Secondly, in August a law was promulgated providing for the creation of 25 Congolese provinces instead of the 10 current ones. In this scenario Katanga will be cut into 4 new provinces. Feelings about the issue are mixed. The possible impact is difficult to estimate. Finally, the human rights situation in the North of the province remains disquieting, with persistent violations committed by state agents.

The information for the updates is drawn from desktop research by IPIS and permanent field research carried out by four Katangese partner organisations based in different parts of Katanga.

Towards a Sustainable Cocoa Chain: Power and possibilities within the cocoa and chocolate sector.

(December 2008 – Oxfam - IPIS)

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

IPIS drafted this report for Oxfam. It contributes in various ways to the debate on a sustainable cocoa economy. A sustainable cocoa economy is where each person investing time or money into the supply chain would be able to earn a decent income for themselves and their family, work in good conditions, and in a manner which did not harm the environment. It provides an overview of the various stakeholders in the cocoa and the wider chocolate supply chain. It identifies the concentration and purchasing power of companies as well as the trends in the supply chain. Finally, it makes a series of recommendations to the various stakeholders in the supply chain.

Fatal Transaction's second submission on EIB Statements.

(November 2008 – IPIS)

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

The European Investment Bank launched in March 2008 a public consultation on its draft revised "EIB Statement of Environmental and Social Principles and Standards". The EIB adopted its first Environmental Statement in 1996, which was revised in 2002 and again in 2004. The Statement describes the Bank's environmental and social requirements for projects that it finances.

The EIB invited organizations and individuals to comment on its 2008 draft Statement. The Bank also organised two rounds of public consultations. Fatal Transactions and IPIS now also commented on the second draft Statement of the Bank.

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.

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.

Activity Report 2007

(IPIS)

Jaarverslag 2007

(IPIS)

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

Natural resources in the Great Lakes Region

Report NiZA Expert Meeting 'Fragile States and the Resource Curse'.

(2/06/2009 – Fatal Transactions)

<http://www.fataltransactions.org/News/2009/Report-NiZA-Expert-Meeting-Fragile-States-and-the-Resource-Curse>

The final report of the expert meeting 'Fragile States and the Resource Curse' that Fatal Transactions member NiZA hosted together with Cordaid is available now. The report contains an introduction to the topics discussed and the aims of the expert meeting. Furthermore, it holds summaries of the presentations and concludes with a set of recommendations.

Mining matters: Unacceptable metal mining in developing countries and the responsibilities of companies in the Netherlands.

(May 2009 – Friends of the Earth Netherlands (Milieudefensie))

http://www.milieudefensie.nl/globalisering/publicaties/rapporten/mining_matters.pdf/view?searchterm=congo

In this report, mining practices in ten developing countries are reviewed with regard to labour rights, human rights and the environment. The mining products examined are tin, bauxite and copper, metals which have major trade links with companies in the Netherlands. Various companies in the Netherlands import and/or use metals. This report reviews the supply chain responsibility towards mining practices in developing countries of seven companies in the Netherlands.

DRC

Kasai-Oriental : près de 12 000 enfants dans les mines, un défi à relever, selon l'Unicef.

(29/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23475>

UNICEF expresses its concern on the 12.000 children that are working in the mines of East Kasai.

Rape Crisis in East Congo Tied to Mining Activity.

(1/06/2009 – Women's Enews)

<http://www.womensenews.org/article.cfm/dyn/aid/4027/context/archive>

The acute crisis of sexual violence in eastern Congo is being tied to illegal mining interests in the region, which help finance the warring and competing factions that are perpetrating a worsening rape epidemic.

Mbuji Mayi : pour réduire les charges, la Miba restructure ses services.

(1/06/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23510>

The MIBA direction presented the new structure of the company. The aim is to lower the costs that are troubling the state-diamond miner.

Programme national forêts et conservation en Rdc : La Banque mondiale accorde un don de 77 millions Usd.

(1/06/2009 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58478>

The Congolese Ministry of Environment receives US\$77 million of financial support of The World Bank to enforce the sustainable management of its forests.

Fédération des pétroliers.

(27/05/2009 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Five exploration companies active in the DRC (Perenco, Surestream, Soco, Energulf and Nessergy) are establishing a “Groupement de producteurs pétroliers”, to talk with one voice with public authorities.

POINT CHAUD : Rdc et Angola en devoir de trouver un modus vivendi sur le pétrole de la côte d’après la Convention de Montego Bay!

(28/05/2009 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58390>

Chaude controverse en vue autour de l’espace maritime de la RDC qui exige à l’Onu la restitution de ses champs pétroliers par l’Angola!

(28/05/2009 – Le Palmarès – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58388>

As the DRC is claiming a number of the oilfields currently exploited by Angola, it seems a new dispute will arise between Luanda and Kinshasa.

Ouverture à Kinshasa d’une banque russe d’investissements.

(29/05/2009 – ACP – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58443>

The Russian ambassador in Kinshasa and the president of the Russian group METROPOL announced the opening of a new Russian investment bank, named “Mining Bank of Congo”.

UGANDA

Uganda: Pipeline on Course.

(27/05/2009 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200905280038.html>

Extension of the 360km oil pipeline from Eldoret to Kampala is about to start. Tamoil East Africa, the Libyan oil company, won a bid to construct the \$72m pipeline.

Nouvelles promesses en l’air?

(27/05/2009 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Iran has agreed to fund the entire value chain of Uganda's oil production. Iran will also jointly fund the construction of an oil refinery in Uganda. The agreement was reached during President Yoweri Museveni's three-day visit to Iran, where he held talk with his counterpart, President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, and addressed the Iranian Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines.

Uganda: Oil Reserves Rival Saudi Arabia's, Says U.S. Expert.

(2/06/2009 – East African Business Week – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200906020555.html>

Uganda's oil reserves could be as much as that of the Gulf countries, a senior official at the US Department of Energy has said. Based on the test flow results encountered at the wells so far drilled and other oil numbers, Ms. Sally Kornfeld, a senior analyst in the office of fossil energy went ahead to talk about Uganda's oil reservoirs in the same sentence as Saudi Arabia.

Uganda moving on greasy path as it advances national oil programme.

(2/06/2009 – Daily Monitor)

http://www.monitor.co.ug/artman/publish/business_power/Uganda_moving_on_greasy_path_as_it_advances_national_oil_programme_85800.shtml

Oil companies say the country has over 2 billion barrels and more is expected. Exploration in what is known as the Albertine Graben, turned out to be a gift horse to the country, which in the past decade has been an example of the extent to which donor charity and its prescriptions of spending controls can do to push an economy beyond recovery. The prospect of large infusions of petro-dollars even with a depressed global market is palpable in the corridors of power. The proverbial gift horse is being looked at closely.

West: Uganda all set to triumph over 'oil curse'.

(1/06/2009 – The East African)

<http://www.theeastafrican.co.ke/news/-/2558/604902/-/r315q7z/-/>

As Uganda gets ready to start producing oil, the country's programme is attracting the interest of key Western stakeholders who see it as an opportunity for Africa to reverse the chaotic experience that gave birth to the term "oil curse." The country is being viewed as a test case and its success or failure in establishing a transparent and economically sustainable programme will have far reaching implications for the future of the oil industry on the continent.

RWANDA

Rwanda: Ex-Minister Cited in Mining Scandal.

(1/06/2009 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200906010146.html>

Residents of Nyarusange Sector, Muhanga District are accusing Prof Munyanganyizi Bikoro, the former State Minister for Natural Resources for uttering threats against members of Intego mining cooperative who claim to have been conned of Rwf 10m.

International mining companies in the Great Lakes Region

Les eaux dangereuses du Kivu.

(27/05/2009 – Africa Energy Intelligence)

For consultation at request, or at IPIS library.

Vangould Resources is about to sign a Production Sharing Agreement with Kigali on the exploitation of Lake Kivu. Kinshasa has not been contacted on this matter.

DRC

Red Back acquisition seen speeding up Moto gold project.

(1/06/2009 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/red-back-agrees-to-buy-moto-goldmines-2009-06-01>

Red Back to Buy Moto for C\$513 Million in Shares (Update3).

(1/06/2009 – Bloomberg)

http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=20601082&sid=a1B_7DGHwDIg&refer=canada

Red Back-Moto deal positive all round – RBC.

(2/06/2009 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/red-back-moto-deal-positive-all-round-rbc-2009-06-02>

Red Back goes deep into Congo.

(2/06/2009 – Calgary Herald)

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/business/Back+goes+deep+into+Congo/1654283/story.html>

Red Back buys into Congo gold.

(2/06/2009 – Financial Post)

<http://www.financialpost.com/news-sectors/trading-desk/mining/story.html?id=1652814>

Cashed-up gold producer Red Back Mining believes that it has the experience and financial resources to accelerate the development of the Moto gold project, in the Democratic Republic of Congo, CEO Richard Clark said on Monday. The project is 70% owned by Moto Goldmines Limited, which has agreed to be acquired by Toronto-based Red Back in a share-based transaction.

Kilo-Rio Tinto Joint Venture Moves Forward With Completion of Conditions Precedent.

(1/06/2009 – Marketwire)

<http://www.marketwire.com/press-release/Kilo-Goldmines-Ltd-TSX-VENTURE-KGL-997631.html>

Kilo Goldmines Ltd. announced today that it has completed the 'Conditions Precedent' as per the Earn-in with Option to Joint Venture Agreement in respect of the Iron Ore Project, Democratic Republic of Congo' signed November 13, 2008 with Rio Tinto Mining and Exploration Limited. The existing Research Permits have been extended to include iron by the DRC regulatory bodies.

Few suitors for Anvil Mining.

(29/05/2009 – Financial Post)

<http://www.financialpost.com/story.html?id=1640793>

Anvil Mining Ltd. could prove an attractive acquisition, but the number of potential buyers may be limited, says Cailey Barker, RBC Capital Markets analyst. Anvil would make a good acquisition or partner, given the quality of its Kinsevere copper project in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Mr. Barker said. "However, we believe the opportunity for a deal is limited, given the size of the project and small number of potential suitors," he said in a note to clients.

First Quantum launches US\$450-500 million convertible bond issue.

(28/05/2009 – Proactive Investors)

<http://www.proactiveinvestors.co.uk/companies/news/5847/first-quantum-launches-us450-500-million-convertible-bond-issue-5847.html>

African copper-gold miner First Quantum on Wednesday announced the launch of USD 450m, possibly USD 500m, in convertible bonds, apparently facing little luck on copper hedges, and possible heat on its big new project in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

UGANDA

Tower Resources starts drilling in Uganda.

(29/05/2009 – SmallCapNews)

http://www.smallcapnews.co.uk/article/Tower_Resources_starts_drilling_in_Uganda/7480.aspx

Tower Resources Spuds Iti-1 Exploration Well in Uganda.

(29/05/2009 – OilVoice)

http://www.oilvoice.com/n/Tower_Resources_Spuds_Iti1_Exploration_Well_in_Uganda/9caed86b.aspx

The well is being drilled to an estimated depth of 650 metres. Operations should take two to three weeks and a further announcement will be made once results of the well have been determined.

Tullow Oil Provides Uganda Exploration Drilling Update.

(27/05/2009 – OilVoice)

http://www.oilvoice.com/n/Tullow_Oil_Provides_Uganda_Exploration_Drilling_Update/184c741e.aspx

Tullow Oil plc announces that the Awaka-1 exploration well, which is located in the Butiaba region of Uganda Block 2, has encountered water bearing reservoir sands.

Tullow fails to hit oil and abandons Uganda well.

(28/05/2009 – Irish Independent)

<http://www.independent.ie/business/world/tullow-fails-to-hit-oil-and-abandons-uganda-well-1753252.html>

Tullow Oil suffered its first setback in its quest for oil in Uganda yesterday after it announced that its latest well in the country had failed to strike any oil. The Awaka-1 well has been plugged and abandoned after drilling encountered water-bearing reservoir sands but no oil.

FOCUS: Tullow, Heritage Face Tough Choices On Uganda Oil Devt.

(29/05/2009 – The Wall Street Journal)

<http://online.wsj.com/article/BT-CO-20090529-703988.html>

After remarkable exploration success in Uganda, Tullow Oil PLC and Heritage Oil Ltd. face tough choices over how to develop the oil they've discovered. Both companies face immense infrastructure challenges bringing the oil from its remote region to world markets. They have to walk a fine line between their commercial goals and the sometimes conflicting ambitions of the Ugandan government. Tullow and Heritage also have to handle overtures from much larger rivals that want in on the substantial quantities of oil they have discovered.

Tullow to sell 50% stake in Uganda.

(2/06/2009 – New Vision)

<http://www.newvision.co.ug/detail.php?newsCategoryId=220&newsId=683341>

Tullow Oil wants to sell 50% of its stake in the Ugandan oil fields in order to realise optimum production. The Irish-based firm, which is exploring for oil and gas, has three licences on the Ugandan side of the Lake Albert Rift Basin, which can deliver up to one billion barrels of oil.

Tullow agrees to Uganda oil refinery.

(29/05/2009 – Irish Independent)

<http://www.independent.ie/business/irish/tullow-agrees-to-uganda-oil-refinery-1754787.html>

Tullow Oil has agreed to the building of a refinery to take oil from its huge Ugandan discoveries, with any surplus oil being exported, chief executive Aidan Heavey told shareholders at a meeting of the company yesterday.

BURUNDI

Dwyka Resources kicks off second phase of drilling at Muremera nickel project.

(28/05/2009 – SmallCapNews)

http://www.smallcapnews.co.uk/article/Dwyka_Resources_kicks_off_second_phase_of_drilling/7469.aspx

Dwyka extends drilling programme at Burundi nickel-exploration project.

(28/05/2009 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/dwyka-extends-drilling-programme-at-burundi-nickel-exploration-project-2009-05-28>

Dwyka Resources has brought in a drilling contractor to start the second phase of diamond drilling at the Muremera nickel project in Burundi.

Dwyka in talks to make possible bid for Minerva.

(1/06/2009 – Mining Weekly)

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/dwyka-in-talks-to-make-possible-bid-for-minerva-2009-06-01>

Dwyka Resources on Monday reported that it was in discussions, which could lead to an all-share offer for UK-based minerals explorer Minerva Resources.

China in the Great Lakes Region

Congo-Kinshasa: François Mwamba appelle à l'état des lieux des contrats chinois.

(27/05/2009 – La Prospérité – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200905270348.html>

The declarations of the IMF's Dominique Strauss Khan after his Congo visit triggered various reactions from the different Congolese MPs. It is a matter of finding the balance between maintaining relations with the traditional development partners, and not thriving away new interested partners that wish to invest in the country.

RDC-FMI : le rendez-vous est fixé en juin prochain.

(30/05/2009 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58450>

Les contrats chinois incontournables, qu'on les aime ou qu'on les déteste, ce qui vaut incontestable reconnaissance.

(29/05/2009 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58428>

Chinese contracts could cost DRC debt relief deal.

(30/05/2009 – Daily Nation)

<http://www.nation.co.ke/News/africa/-/1066/604714/-/13a0priz/-/>

As the contracts with Chinese investors keep hindering the talks, the DRC and the IMF failed to reach an agreement, new negotiations will have to occur.

China says IMF wrong to question Congo deal.

(2/06/2009 – Reuters)

<http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJOE5510EU20090602?feedType=RSS&feedName=topNews>

The IMF must present new arguments to justify its call for changes to a \$9 billion infrastructure-for-minerals deal between China and Democratic Republic of Congo, China's ambassador to the country said on Tuesday.

China Has No Plans to Alter \$9 Billion Congolese Deal (Update2).

(2/06/2009 – Bloomberg)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=20601116&sid=aun7wQvqTSXs&refer=africa>

China has no plans to change a \$9 billion investment accord with the Democratic Republic of Congo, after the International Monetary Fund threatened to withhold debt relief unless it is altered.

The China choice.

(29/05/2009 – Africa Confidential)

<http://www.africa-confidential.com/article-preview/id/3113/The-China-choice>

Congo-Kinshasa's dilemma over how to finalise a US\$9 billion minerals barter deal with China without jeopardising a debt-reduction deal with the International Monetary Fund will not be resolved until September at the earliest. That is when the Chinese companies will get the results of their evaluation of mineral deposits in Katanga.

Congo-Kinshasa: Contrats chinois ou Point d'Achèvement - La RDC entre le marteau et l'enclume.

(2/06/2009 – Le Phare – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200906020901.html>

Article on the comparative assessment the DRC has to make when choosing between the Chinese investors and the International Monetary Fund.

Guerre des minerais en passe de prédisposer l'Occident et la Chine à un affrontement en RDC!

(28/05/2009 – Le Potentiel – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58399>

(28/05/2009 – Mediacongo.net)

<http://www.mediacongo.net/show.asp?doc=12705>

Article seeing the DRC's mineral wealth as the cause for and issue in the dispute between Kinshasa, the IMF and the Chinese investors.

Kinshasa : la RDC et la Chine signent un nouvel accord de 6 millions USD.

(29/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23468>

Congo-Kinshasa: Kinshasa et Beijing signent un protocole d'accord de coopération économique et technique.

(29/05/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200905290169.html>

A new economic and technical cooperation agreement has been signed between the DRC and China.

Ouverture des travaux de la 8ème Commission mixte RDC-Chine : Kinshasa et Pékin déterminés à renforcer leur coopération!

(28/05/2009 – La Prospérité – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58398>

The eighth mixed DRC-Chinese commission has been launched in Kinshasa. It serves to enforce the relations and cooperation between the two countries.

Arms trade / Security in the Great Lakes Region

Cooperation with African Union crucial to promoting peace – Security Council.

(28/05/2009 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=30955&Cr=security+council&Cr1=africa>

Enhanced collaboration with the African Union (AU) will help to promote peace and security in Africa, members of the Security Council delegation, which recently wrapped up a week-long visit to the continent, declared.

Africa: The State of Africa's Human Rights.

(28/05/2009 – Amnesty International – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200905280344.html>

The regional overview for Africa of Amnesty International's 2009 report on "The State of the World's Human Rights".

Central Africa: Regional Security Better – UNSC.

(31/05/2009 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200905310008.html>

Following a week-long official visit to Africa by the United Nations Security Council representatives, the delegation has announced that regional security has improved.

DRC

Africa: Angola, DRC Defence, Security Experts Gather Plenary.

(2/06/2009 – AngolaPress)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200906020879.html>

Defence and Security experts from Angola and the DRC are gathered since Tuesday here for the approval of the constitution of the joint committee on defence and security, Angop has learnt. During the gathering there will also be debated matters related to the defence, public and state security, adds the source.

Congo-Kinshasa: Les experts de l'ONU sont formels sur le Nord Kivu - Caches d'armes : le CNDP au banc des accusés.

(27/05/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200905270321.html>

(27/05/2009 – Mediacongo.net)

<http://www.mediacongo.net/show.asp?doc=12689>

The UN Group of Experts, in its latest report, minimizes the success of the Rwandan-Congolese joint military operation against the FDLR rebels. Furthermore, the Group of Experts accuses the CNDP rebels of still controlling some important arms stockpiles and maintaining parallel administrations that delivers them tax proceeds.

Congo-Kinshasa: Sud-Kivu - Un véhicule des humanitaires attaqué et pillé.

(28/05/2009 – Le Phare – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200905290203.html>

While the MONUC declared that the security situation in South Kivu is satisfying, OCHA reports on displacement.

Congo-Kinshasa: Selon Ocha et la Monuc - La situation sécuritaire reste préoccupante au Sud-Kivu.

(1/06/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200906010392.html>

Sud-Kivu : situation sécuritaire toujours préoccupante, selon Ocha.

(30/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23482>

La détérioration de la sécurité augmente des cas d'exactions des civils au Sud-Kivu.

(2/06/2009 – L'Avenir – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58530>

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(29/05/2009 – OCHA)

<http://ochaonline.un.org/News/OCHANewsCentre/2009SituationReports/tabid/1094/language/en-US/Default.aspx>

On Friday OCHA repeated its concern on the security situation in South Kivu.

Congo-Kinshasa: En visite en RDC-Patrick Lambrechts : «50% de l'aide humanitaire de la Commission européenne sont au programme d'assistance au retour des déplacés»

(1/06/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200906020375.html>

Le Potentiel interviewed Patrick Lambrechts, responsible for the DR Congo at ECHO, concerning the humanitarian situation in the DR Congo during his field visit.

Congo-Kinshasa: Nord-Kivu - De nombreux déplacés en situation humanitaire difficile à Walikale.

(30/05/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200906010866.html>

Walikale : situation humanitaire préoccupante pour près de 94 000 déplacés.

(29/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23472>

Walikale : des populations toujours en brousse, par peur des FDLR.

(28/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23458>

Tens of thousands civilians in Walikale left their villages as violence is degrading the humanitarian situation in the territory.

Bukavu : insécurité, les opérateurs économiques suspendent le trafic vers Bunyakiri.

(29/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23467>

Economic activities and traffic have halted on the road between Bukavu and Bunyakiri as insecurity and attacks against convoys are rising.

Nord-Kivu : quitter les camps pour retrouver la vie normale.

(28/05/2009 – Syfia Grands Lacs)

<http://www.syfia-grands-lacs.info/index.php5?view=articles&action=voir&idArticle=1427>

Report on the refugees in Masisi as they are returning home and trying to pick up ordinary life again despite of several difficulties and insecurity.

Le mandat de la MONUC expliqué aux étudiants de l'UNIKIN.

(28/05/2009 – MONUC)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1069&ctl=Details&mid=1143&ItemID=4032>

As the MONUC wishes to sensitize the Congolese population on its mandate and to make its use more visible to the population, the UN mission held a meeting with the students and professors of the University of Kinshasa.

Goma : la Monuc rapatrie 77 ex-combattants rwandais et 95 dépendants.

(27/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23443>

MONUC reports that under its DDR programme 77 former combatants, FDLR and CNDP, and 95 relatives have been repatriated to Rwanda since the beginning of May.

Congo-Kinshasa: Le Comité national de suivi s'engage à respecter les résolutions de Nairobi III.

(29/05/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200905290418.html>

To facilitate the implementation of the Nairobi III peace agreement, a follow-up commission has been established.

L'entrée du CNDP au gouvernement finalement planifiée dans les concluantes tractations entre les deux parties.

(29/05/2009 – Africa News – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58448>

Incroyable mais vrai : les groupes armés instigués par le CNDP et alliés exigent quatorze postes ministériels!

(28/05/2009 – Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58406>

The first meeting of the follow-up commission for Nairobi III has been concluded. As divergences between CNDP and Kinshasa are flattened out steadily, prospects for CNDP's participation in a future government come up.

Congo-Kinshasa: Le CNDP au gouvernement - Le pourquoi.

(2/06/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200906020512.html>

Article on the CNDP's steps towards integration in the military, but especially in political life. Le Potentiel makes the remark that this involves the indirect integration of the CNDP's Rwandan chiefs in government.

DRC Rebel Group Expresses Frustration with Kinshasa.

(28/05/2009 – VOA News)

<http://www.voanews.com/english/Africa/2009-05-28-voa2.cfm>

An opposition armed group is accusing DRC President Joseph Kabila's government of giving preferential treatment to CNDP rebels in the implementation of Congo's recently signed peace agreement. The Mai Mai rebel group said it is frustrated with the government and has threatened to take up arms, a move which would undermine the peace process. The Mai Mai claims the government gave lofty positions in the national army to the CNDP, relegating the Mai Mai fighters to junior ranks.

Kinshasa : députés et sénateurs veulent mettre fin aux groupes armés par le dialogue.

(29/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23466>

Congo-Kinshasa: Province Orientale - En Ituri, les parlementaires veulent dialoguer avec les groupes armés.

(30/05/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200906010868.html>

The MPs of the Ituri Provincial Parliament have expressed being fed up with the conflicts and violence in their province. They decided to organise a roundtable with the leaders of the armed groups in the province to negotiate on peace.

Congo-Kinshasa: Goma - Appel à la prise en charge des forces de l'ordre par le gouvernement.

(28/05/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200905280538.html>

Local community leaders in North Kivu gathered in Goma to talk about the importance of the security forces' behaviour and contribution for the consolidation of peace.

UNPOL trains the Congolese police to make ensure election process.

(2/06/2009 – MONUC)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=932&ctl=Details&mid=1096&ItemID=4076> (English)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1069&ctl=Details&mid=1143&ItemID=4075> (French)

More than 2500 members of the Congolese National police force (PNC) are following training in Kinshasa (at Lufungula center) by the trainers of MONUC (UNPOL), in order to ensure a safer election, including the revision of the electoral roll and the next local elections.

RD Congo : La Cour pénale internationale lance à Kinshasa sa campagne de sensibilisation en milieu scolaire.

(27/05/2009 – ICC – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/EGUA-7SFT2W?OpenDocument&RSS20=18-P>

The International Criminal Court launched a sensitizing campaign in Kinshasa on the use of child soldiers in the DRC.

Human rights: "Living conditions in prisons in eastern DR Congo are awful".

(27/05/2009 – MONUC)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=932&ctl=Details&mid=1096&ItemID=4029> (English)

<http://monuc.unmissions.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1069&ctl=Details&mid=1143&ItemID=4021> (French)

The Congolese Minister of Human Rights, Upio Kakura Wapol, and Mr. Todd Howland, head of MONUC's Division of Human Rights, recently concluded a six-town two-week joint tour of eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo to assess the human rights situation in the region. The two officials visited the towns of Kisangani, Dungu, Mahagi, Bunia, Faradje and Goma, where with local authorities and human rights activist they discussed existing problems with but also ways to boost respect for human rights.

Bleak Amnesty report on the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

(27/05/2009 – Guardian)

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2009/may/27/congo-human-rights-amnesty-international>

Amnesty International's last annual global report painted a bleak picture of human rights in the country, which has been ravaged by conflict and corruption for more than a decade. The report criticised the country's "ill-disciplined" police and security forces for operating with scant regard for Congolese or international law, and accused them of committing the majority of human rights violations.

ICC considers admissibility motion in case of Congolese militia leader.

(1/06/2009 – UN News Centre)

<http://www0.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=30985&Cr=criminal&Cr1=court> (English)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=19289&Cr=Congo&Cr1=CPI> (French)

The International Criminal Court (ICC) began public hearings today to consider challenges by defense lawyers to the admissibility of the case against alleged Congolese militia commander Germain Katanga. This is the first time that the Court, which is based in The Hague, Netherlands, will take up a challenge to admissibility based on the complementarity principle, according to a news release. The principle of complementarity requires the Court not to investigate or prosecute individuals unless the State concerned is genuinely unable to or has no intention to carry out the investigation or prosecution. The principle gives precedence to national systems.

Democratic Republic of Congo: Will Nkunda face justice?

(26/05/2009 – Institute for war and peace reporting)
http://www.iwpr.net/?p=acr&s=f&o=352802&apc_state=henpacr352790

(26/05/2009 – AfricaFiles)
<http://www.africafiles.org/article.asp?ID=20920>

This article highlights the obstacles confronting both the Congolese and Rwandan governments on the eventual trial of former rebel leader, Laurent Nkunda. But many Congolese are preoccupied whether Nkunda will be tried at all and if so by whom, where, and when? Perhaps only Rwanda has the answer.

La Mauvaise interprétation de la loi d'amnistie risque d'innocenter certains auteurs des crimes en RDCongo.

(27/05/2009 – Coalition Congolaise Justice Transitionnelle)

For consultation at request.

Declaration from the CCJT on the new "Amnesty law" in the DRC.

Bukavu : loi d'amnistie, Radhoski conteste la libération précipitée de certains criminels.

(27/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)
<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23444>

Radhoski, the South Kivu Network of Human Rights Organisations, has expressed its criticism on the new "Amnesty law".

FDLR**Congo-Kinshasa: L'équation des Fdlr à l'Est - Un fonds de commerce commun sciemment entretenu.**

(27/05/2009 – Le Phare – allAfrica)
<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200905280216.html>

Article wondering how the FDLR rebels succeeded to take root so strongly in eastern DRC. The article among other things looks at the FDLR's trade in minerals.

Sud-Kivu : les FDLR frappent encore à Bunyakiri, 5 morts et une centaine de maisons incendiées.

(27/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)
<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23451>

New attacks and assaults by the FDLR rebels were reported last week in Bunyakiri.

Rutshuru : les FDLR frappent encore sur l'axe Kiwanja-Nyamilima.

(31/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)
<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23498>

Nyamilima : insécurité permanente à cause des FDLR.

(1/06/2009 – Radio Okapi)
<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23503>

Congo-Kinshasa: Rutshuru - Des hommes armés sèment la désolation sur l'axe Kiwanja-Nyamilima.

(2/06/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)
<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200906020643.html>

Armed men, identified as FDLR rebels, robbed some civilians last weekend on the road between Kiwanja and Nyamilima, in Rutshuru.

Mwenga : encore des attaques et des pillages, signé FDLR.

(1/06/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23508>

Mwenga : les attaques des FLR entraînent d'importants mouvements de populations.

(2/06/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23518>

New reports of FDLR attacks and subsequent civilian displacement, this time in Mwenga territory, South Kivu.

Congo-Kinshasa: Poursuite des opérations conjointes Monuc-Fardc.

(28/05/2009 – Le Phare – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200905290192.html>

MONUC spokesperson Mounoubaï declared the MONUC is still cooperating with the FARDC in North Kivu and conducting patrols to secure the local population.

Congo-Kinshasa: Selon la Monuc - L'opération « Kimia II » est retardée pour des problèmes logistiques.

(28/05/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200905280540.html>

Military spokesman for the MONUC, lieutenant-colonel Jean-Paul Dietrich, declared the launch of operation Kimia II will be postponed due to so some logistic problems.

Walikale : les FARDC libèrent plus de 350 habitants du carcan des FDLR à Bukumbirwa.

(1/06/2009 – Radio okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23509>

Les Fardc libèrent plus de 350 habitants du carcan des Fdlr à Walikale.

(1/06/2009 – Radio Okapi - Digitalcongo.net)

<http://www.digitalcongo.net/article/58491>

The FARDC have chased away the FDLR rebels from Bukumbirwa, in Walikale territory.

UN mission in DR Congo assists military in offensive against Hutu rebels.

(30/05/2009 – UN News Centre)

<http://www0.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=30975&Cr=MONUC&Cr1=>

Lubero : " Kimia 2", la Monuc annonce une opération conjointe à l'ouest de Kanyabayonga.

(31/05/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23497>

The MONUC has helped the FARDC plan an attack against the notorious FDLR and supplied support units, the mission said in a news release. The offensive, launched on Thursday, involved an aerial manoeuvre targeting the Lubero Territory in the embattled North Kivu province.

Congo-Kinshasa: FDLR Violence Soars in DRC.

(3/06/2009 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200906030002.html>

As the operation mounted by the DRC army, against the FDLR continues, close to a dozen deaths among rebel ranks have been reported. According to DRC's North Kivu Provincial Governor Julien Paluku, a recent operation against the insurgents claimed at least 11 FDLR militias and four were captured. The on-going operation is being supported by MONUC.

Julien Paluku : « les résultats de l'opération Kimia II sont très satisfaisants ».

(2/06/2009 – Radio Okapi)

<http://www.radiookapi.net/index.php?i=53&a=23513>

North Kivu governor Julien Paluku declared he is satisfied with the results of Kimia II so far.

LRA

DRC: Thousands flee LRA attacks in northeast.

(29/05/2009 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/report.aspx?ReportID=84618>

Fresh attacks by Ugandan rebels in Dungu, northeast DRC, have displaced more than 12,000 civilians, according to aid officials.

Ouganda: Après l'attaque de la LRA - Les populations de Dungu regagnent leurs habitations.

(28/05/2009 – Le Potentiel – allAfrica)

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/200905280511.html>

The Dungu inhabitants are returning to their homes since the beginning of the week, after they fled their villages following the weekend attacks by the LRA rebels.

DR Congo: UN fund allocates over \$12 million to aid victims of violence.

(29/05/2009 – UN News Centre)

<http://www0.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=30962&Cr=democratic&Cr1=congo>

The United Nations humanitarian wing has allocated over \$12 million to help nearly 200,000 people in eastern DRC cope with the lingering consequences of a series of attacks by the Ugandan rebel LRA.

Army Cools to Calls for Fresh LRA Operation.

(29/05/2009 – Institute for war and peace reporting)

http://www.iwpr.net/index.php?apc_state=hen&s=0&o=l=EN&p=acr&s=f&o=352900

Calls are growing for a renewed offensive against LRA strongholds in the DRC two months after Kampala ended an operation against the Ugandan rebels. The urgings are coming from within the United States Congress and various human rights groups, but the Ugandan military has no plans for another operation, for now.

UGANDA

Northern Uganda: World Bank Approves \$100 million to support the Peace, Recovery and Development Plan.

(28/05/2009 – The World Bank)

<http://go.worldbank.org/S1MZXAG6I0>

"This new investment is critical in helping to reduce the development gap between the Northern Uganda and the rest of the country. It also consolidates the return to peace in the region by serving the immediate needs of the large numbers of previously displaced persons returning to their homelands and seeking to rebuild their communities," said Suleiman Namara, World Bank Senior Social Protection Specialist and Task Team Leader for the project.

Uganda: Carry Out Rights Commission Recommendations.

(29/05/2009 – Human Rights Watch)

<http://www.hrw.org/en/news/2009/05/28/uganda-carry-out-rights-commission-recommendations>

Uganda's constitution mandates the establishment of the Uganda Human Rights Commission (UHRC) as the main independent government agency to monitor human rights abuses and recommend change. But the government has not consistently adopted its recommendations, and parliament only held its first discussion of UHRC recommendations made over the last decade in May 2009.

Uganda: Wives Urged to Pressure Men On Guns.

(26/05/2009 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200905270104.html>

Women in Teso region have been urged to put pressure on their husbands who possess illegal guns to surrender them to the army. "You should also talk to them about the dangers of possessing guns illegally," urged Capt. Jeff Okwii Emojong, the commander of Operation Restore Hope in Teso. The operation is a UPDF special force deployed in Teso to recover illegal guns. He said there were over 180 guns in Gweri sub-county.

BURUNDI

BURUNDI: New peace structure to bolster stability.

(29/05/2009 – IRIN)

<http://www.irinnews.org/report.aspx?ReportID=84617>

With the integration of Burundi's last rebel groups into government institutions almost complete, the team that mediated the peace process has set up a structure to monitor the implementation of the pact signed in 2006, officials said.

Burundi - Emergency demobilization and transitional reintegration project.

(28/05/2009 – World Bank – Reliefweb)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/KH11-7SH4YP?OpenDocument>

Datasheet of the 'Emergency Demobilization and Transitional Reintegration Project'. The objective of the Project is to support the efforts of the Recipient to: (i) demobilize members of the National Liberation Forces and the National Liberation Forces - Dissidents; and (ii) provide socioeconomic reintegration support to said members following demobilization, as well as to Ex-Combatants demobilized under the Emergency Demobilization, Reinsertion, and Reintegration Project, with a particular focus on the provision of such support to such female, child, and disabled Ex-Combatants.

Burundi: top UN official appeals for help in reintegrating former child soldiers.

(28/05/2009 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=30952&Cr=Coomaraswamy&Cr1=>

The Secretary-General's Special Representative on children and armed conflict has called for urgent support of hundreds of former child soldiers recently released from a demobilization centre in Burundi and reunited with their families. The last 340 former child soldiers, formerly associated with the FNL rebel militia, who have left the Gitega Demobilization Centre, must receive long-term care to ensure a lasting reintegration into their communities, Radhika Coomaraswamy said in a press release issued Wednesday.

Ban commends Burundi for strides in carrying out peace pact.

(2/06/2009 – UN News Centre)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=30996&Cr=burundi&Cr1=> (English)

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/storyF.asp?NewsID=19296&Cr=Burundi&Cr1=> (French)

Burundi has made progress in implementing the 2006 ceasefire pact between the Government and rebels, Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has said, calling on the small Great Lakes nation to seize the momentum and continue its efforts to improve its human rights situation.

Other

Uganda: Nkurunziza Jets in Tomorrow.

(26/05/2009 – New Vision – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200905270149.html>

East Africa: Museveni Meets Burundian President.

(28/05/2009 – New Vision - allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200905290163.html>

Rwanda: Nkurunziza Concludes Visit to Uganda.

(31/05/2009 – The New Times – allAfrica)

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200906010535.html>

The President of Burundi, Pierre Nkurunziza, arrives in Uganda tomorrow on a three-day State visit during which he will meet President Yoweri Museveni. It will be preceded by a meeting of the Joint Permanent Commission of Ugandan and Burundian foreign affairs, defence, minerals and agriculture ministry officials.

Les enfants perdues de Kinshasa.

(24/05/2009 – wat.tv)

http://www.wat.tv/video/enfants-perdues-kinshasa-1iuoi_1eisb_.html

Video report on the street children in Kinshasa.

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OSISA (Open Society Initiative for Southern Africa)		RSS Feed	
Overseas Development Institute		RSS Feed	
Oxfam	Newsletter	RSS Feed	
PAC (Partnership Africa Canada)	Newsletter		
Pambazuka	Newsletter	RSS Feed	
Pan African Parliament	Newsletter		
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Survie	Newsletter		
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