INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AND STABILIZATION SUPPORT STRATEGY

UPDATE FOR 1 TO 15 APR 2010

Highlights:

- ISSSS Strategic Review Team concluded their evaluation in first week of April and have provided an executive summary of key recommendations. Final report is expected in the coming weeks.
- Project documents for first allocation of funding from the Stabilisation and Recovery Funding Facility on sexual violence have been validated through the STAREC provincial level coordination structures. They will be now be validated by Technical Team at Kinshasa level and submitted at next meeting of the Funding Board.
- STAREC Steering Committee met for the second time on 1 April, chaired by the Vice-Prime Minister. The meeting
 adopted an action plan for the deployment of state officials, and agreed on the agenda for the next meeting of the
 Stabilization Funding Board.
- A revised plan for dismantling 19 residual armed groups in the Kivus has been prepared by the UN, in discussions with the MoD and FARDC leadership. It will be shared with the Minister of Defence in near future. The plan would involve the integration and community reinsertion of 4,000 to 5,000 combatants over 2010-11.
- The key challenge for State Authority remains the mobilisation of nearly 1,000 civilian staff to the new facilities expected to come online in the next two months. Planning is ongoing at the provincial level; strong efforts will be needed to complement this with national Ministries in Kinshasa.
- Deployment of police continues to be held up at Kinshasa level. Temporary facilities for the *Police Territoriale* (in South Kivu) and the *Police Intervention Rapide* (both North Kivu and South Kivu) remain empty, requiring diversion of existing police presence to guard against theft.
- A sharp deterioration in security in the Fizi area has interrupted roads and infrastructure work. This is due to clashes between FARDC and Mai-Mai Yakutumba, including the kidnapping and subsequent release of 8 ICRC employees.

LOCATIONS: NK North Kivu; SK South Kivu; IT Ituri; MN Maniema

1.	SECURITY				
DEMOBILISATION AND REINTEGRATION OF EX-COMBATANTS					
•	A revised plan for dismantling 19 residual armed groups in the Kivus has been prepared by the UN, in discussions with the MoD and FARDC leadership. It will be shared with Minister of Defence in near future. From ISSSS point of view, the plan involves integration and community reinsertion of 4,000 to 5,000 excombatants. The projected cost is about \$18m, with a \$7m shortfall at present.	NK SK			
F۵	RDC DISCIPLINE AND PROFESSIONALISM				
•	SK garrisons project: Camps Saio / Nyamunyuni / Nyangezi rebudgeted; each battalion-size garrison will cost about \$6m, meaning there is a current funding shortfall of \$8m for IOM to finish all three sites.	SK			
•	DFID/PBF garrisons project remains under development, for another 3-5 battalion-size facilities. Project arrangements expected to be finalised in mid to late May.	ALL			

2. STATE AUTHORITY									
ACCESS TO ISO	ACCESS TO ISOLATED AREAS								
Sake – Masisi (57km)	UNOPS continues to work on drainage and support structures; RSA engineering squadron is assisting with emergency works. Expected completion remains 30 August 2010. Draft of technical survey conducted to map out future rehabilitation has been received.	NK							
Rutshuru –	Works are complete. Handover to provincial authorities is being organised with Office des								

Ishasa (63km)	Routes. Due to the significant delays, UNOPS is conducting some maintenance works to avoid serious damage to the road.			
Bukavu – Hombo (93km)	Work is substantially complete apart from Bunyakiri-Hombo section. Discussions are ongoing for handover of most of the road, while work continues on bridges in the last section. Expected completion date remains 31 May.			
Bukavu – Shabunda (304km)	Work continues by Cordaid / AAP, UNOPS, Malteser and Bangladeshi engineering squadron. Some unexploded ordinance has been found and a survey by a demining company is being planned. Expected completion date remains end November 2010.			
Baraka – Fizi – Minembwe (140km)	Baraka-Fizi is completed; formal handover to the Office des Routes will occur shortly. For Fizi-Minembwe segment: Security is a major problem, due particularly to fighting between FARDC and Mai-Mai Yakutumba. ACTED staff pulled out of Fizi for the moment. Expected completion date remains August 2010, but this needs to be watched closely in view of the security situation.			
Bunia – Boga (63km)	UNOPS has completed HIMO works for Bunia to Kagaba (40km). Work on last 23km to Geti remains suspended due to poor security conditions.	ΙΤ		
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DEPLOYMENT OF CIVIL AUTHORITIES

Infrastructure works are expected to be completed as follows:

	NOW	APR	MAY	JUN	LATER
Territorial Police	2	7	5		
Territorial Police housing					12
Rapid Intervention Police	14	1			14
Civil administration		4	10	1	7
Prisons		1	2		1
Tribunals de Paix	1	2	2		
Mining Trade Centres			1		5
TOTAL	17	15	20	1	39

Comments on infrastructure works:

- Insecurity in Fizi: Work on all 4 UNOPS buildings in Fizi has been suspended since April 13 due to fighting noted above. Some warehouses belonging to UNOPS contractors may also have been looted.
- Programme for deployment: Expected by end May are 230 judiciary/corrections personnel, 500 civil administration staff, an additional 240 Police Territoriale.
- Support to deployments: Intensive work remains necessary. Joint missions are ongoing with key Ministries in North and South Kivu to map resources and needs in target localities; strong engagement must also be ensured at Kinshasa level.

ENSURING PUBLIC SECURITY

- Police Intervention Rapide: Budget line from donor has expired, and work has been terminated with 15 of 26 sites completed. Deployment and training plans must urgently be clarified with PNC Inspecteur-Generale: Completed camps remain empty and need to guarded by PNC elements to avoid theft.
- Integration of armed groups: Plans for integration / training of 1,500 police under 23 March Agreements are still pending with the Inspecteur-Generale. This is becoming an urgent issue as lead-in time to prepare programme support (including a proposed training facility) will be significant.
- <u>Deployments to temporary sites</u>: Contract to rehabilitate six temporary sites will soon be awarded by UNOPS. At the same time, designs for permanent housing are pending review by PNC in Kinshasa.
- Deployment of border police: 107 border police completed training at Jules Moke centre in Bukavu and were sworn into duty on 9 April. Planned deployment locations are not yet known.
- Deployment in Bogoro (as reported in previous ISSSS update): Police have started some patrolling, but

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PNC Bunia has not yet tasked the unit or transferred their vehicles to the site. ILLICIT EXPLOITATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES Mining Trade Centres: Land title has been secured for one site (Bisei/Isanga); pending for the remaining four. IOM has now tendered two of the five sites for local contractors. NK Access and security for mining areas: IOM has prepared a proposal to rehabilitate road access from SK Walikale to Itebero, costed at \$0.5m. This is critical for success of the Centre; it will also complete a stage

4. RETURN, REINTEGRATION AND RECOVERY

MANAGEMENT OF REFUGEE RETURNS

Return of refugees from Rwanda: UNHCR-HABITAT-WFP project (see update 21 Feb to 5 Mar) to support the Commission Technique Pacification et Réconciliation continues to be developed. GoDRC and UNHCR officials have been presenting the project to key stakeholders at Kinshasa level to help manage this extremely sensitive political issue.

in the Walikale-Hombo-Bukavu axe which is the highest roads priority for both NK and SK governments.

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5. SEXUAL VIOLENCE

PROGRAMMING OF FIRST SRFF CONTRIBUTION

Validation of project documents: The STAREC South Kivu CTC and the Ituri CTL have validated all projects prepared by partners for the first allocation of \$5m under the Sexual Violence configuration of the Stabilisation and Recovery Funding Facility.

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The projects are in four areas: protection and prevention, combating impunity, multi-sectoral aid to victims, data and mapping. They will now pass through the Technical Team at Kinshasa level and be submitted at the next meeting of the Funding Board.

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COORDINATION AND PARTNERSHIPS

Briefing note prepared for Security Council delegation on consequences of MONUC withdrawal for stabilisation objectives.

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STAREC Steering Committee met for the second time on 1 April in Kinshasa. Meeting was chaired by the Vice-Prime Minister and attended by the SRSG, Ministers and representatives of key donors. Key outcomes were (a) adoption of action plan for the deployment of state officials; and (b) agreement of agenda for next meeting of the Stabilization Funding Board.

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Strategic Review Team for the ISSSS concluded its review with briefings to MONUC SMT and UN Country Team in first week of April. The team has provided an executive summary of their findings, and the final report is expected in coming weeks.

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Delegations: Various delegations connected with visit of impending UN Security Council; Swedish UN Society / Members of Parliament; Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence; World Bank country representative; embassy of the Netherlands.

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