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5. ~~(CONF)~~ **RWANDA:** REBEL FORCES OF THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT (RPF) HAVE TAKEN THE BORDER STATION OF GATUNA, AFTER SUFFERING A SERIES OF DEFEATS. ABOUT 400 RPF TROOPS CAPTURED THE BORDER STATION

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BY OVERWHELMING THE 20 TO 50 FRESH RWANDAN ARMY RECRUITS DEPLOYED THERE. HOWEVER, THE RWANDAN ARMY HAS INFLICTED NUMEROUS LOSSES ON THE RPF DURING THE PAST WEEK, RECAPTURING NEARLY ALL THE TERRITORY THE REBELS HAD GAINED, INCLUDING THE BORDER TOWN OF KAGITUMBA. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO CLAIMED THAT REBEL LEADER MAJ GEN FRED RWIGYEMA HAS BEEN KILLED. THE RECENT DEFEATS SUFFERED BY THE REBELS, INCLUDING THE POSSIBLE LOSS OF THEIR CHARISMATIC LEADER, RWIGYEMA, HAVE PROBABLY CAUSED MOST OF THE REMAINING RPF FORCES TO RETREAT INTO UGANDA OR, MORE LIKELY, INTO THE 2,600-SQUARE-KM AKAGERA NATIONAL PARK. DESPITE THE LIMITED SUCCESS OF THE RPF'S MOST RECENT ATTACK ON GATUNA, THE RWANDAN ARMY

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WILL PROBABLY BE SUCCESSFUL IN ITS MOPPING-UP OPERATIONS UNLESS THE REBELS RECEIVE REINFORCEMENTS SOON.

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