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COUNTRY: (U) **RWANDA** (RW) .

SUBJ : (b)(3):10 USC 424 ROAD REPORT (U)

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SUMMARY: (C) MAIN NORTH-SOUTH ROAD FROM KIGALI TO
RUHENGARI AND BEYOND REMAINS IN EXCELLENT CONDITION AND
CAPABLE OF SUSTAINING HEAVY AND HIGH SPEED TRAFFIC.

TEXT: (C) 1. ROAD TRAVEL FROM THE RWANDAN CAPITAL OF
KIGALI (b)(3):10 USC 424 PAST THE CITY OF

RUHENGARI (b)(3):10 USC 424 VIA CAR TOOK JUST
OVER TWO HOURS TO COVER THE APPROX 120 KILOMETER
DISTANCE. THE ROAD WAS AN ALL WEATHER, HARD SURFACE
ROAD IN EXCELLENT CONDITION. BUILT BY THE CHINESE
ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO, THE ROAD WAS WELL MAINTAINED AND
HAD ONLY TWO MINOR POTHOLES OVER THE ENTIRE DISTANCE.

2. (C) ALL BRIDGES ALONG THE ROUTE, WITH THE EXCEPTION
OF THE BRIDGE CROSSING THE MPENGE RIVER AT KIGOMBE VIC

(b)(3):10 USC 424 WERE CAPABLE OF SUSTAINING
HEAVY, SEMI-TRAILER TRUCK-TYPE TRAFFIC. (b)(1);(b)(1)1.4(c)

(b)(1);(b)(1)1.4(c) THIS BRIDGE
HAD BEEN WASHED AWAY BY RECENT SEASONAL RAINS AND
REPAIRS WERE NOT YET COMPLETE.

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3. ~~(C)~~ AT THE EDGE OF RUHENGRI (GOING IN A NW DIRECTION) THE ROAD WAS WASHED OUT. THE BRIDGE IN USE IS CAPABLE OF HANDLING 2 1/2 TON TRAFFIC AS RO WAITED FOR SUCH TRAFFIC TO CROSS. (b)(1)1.4(c) NORTH OFF MAIN ROAD RIGHT AFTER MIL CANTONMENT AREA AT THE END OF RUHENGRI (NO ACTIVITY NOTED), THE ROAD GAVE WAY TO A ROCKY DIRT ROAD MORE SUITABLE FOR FOUR WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES.

COMMENTS: ~~(C)~~ (b)(1)1.4(c);(b)(3):10 USC 424

IMPRESSED WITH THE WORKMANSHIP OF THE HIGHWAY BUILT IN SUCH A HILLY COUNTRY. ONE OF THE PASSENGERS (b)(1);1.4 (c) HAD BEEN IN KINSHASA FOR ALMOST TWO YEARS AND ALL THROUGHOUT THE EXCURSION EXALTED IN AMAZEMENT ABOUT HOW MUCH BETTER THE ROADS WERE IN **RWANDA** THAN IN ZAIRE. (b)(1);1.4 (c) WOULD HAVE TO AGREE STRONGLY AS THE ROADS IN ZAIRE DETERIORATE EVEN WORSE DAILY.

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