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Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif à l'établissement de la Mission d'observation des Nations Unies Ouganda-Rwanda « MONUOR », devant être déployée du côté ougandais de la frontière. New York, 13 et 16 août 1993

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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT BE-TWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND UGANDA ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS OBSERVER MISSION UGANDA-RWANDA "UNOMUR", TO BE DEPLOYED ON THE UGANDAN SIDE OF THE BORDER

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THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

13 August 1993

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to resolution 846 (1993) of 22 June 19932 by which the Security Council has, inter alia, welcomed with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General on Rwanda contained in document S/25810 and Add.1 and decided to establish the United Nations Observer Mission Uganda-Rwanda (hereinafter referred to as "UNOMUR") to be deployed on the Ugandan side of the border. In the abovementioned resolution, the Security Council further decided that UNOMUR shall monitor the Uganda/Rwanda border to verify that no military assistance reaches Rwanda, focus being put primarily in this regard on transit or transport, by roads or tracks which could accommodate vehicles, of lethal weapons and ammunition across the border, as well as any other material which could be of military use.

In order to facilitate the fulfilment of UNOMUR's purposes, I propose that your Government, in implementation of its obligations under Article 105 of the Charter of the United Nations, extend to UNOMUR, its property, funds and assets the status, privileges and immunities provided in the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations (the Convention).3

In view of the importance of the functions which UNOMUR will perform, I propose that your Government extend to:

¹ Came into force on 16 August 1993 by the exchange of the said letters.

² United Nations, Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-eighth Year, Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council 1993 (S/INF/49), p. 100.

3 United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 1, p. 15, and vol. 90, p. 327 (corrigendum to vol. 1, p. 18).

- the Chief Military Observer and other high ranking members of UNOMUR whose names shall be communicated to the Government the privileges and immunities, exemptions and facilities which are granted to diplomatic envoys in accordance with international law;
- officials of the United Nations Secretariat assigned to serve with UNOMUR the privileges and immunities to which they are entitled under Articles V and VII of the Convention;
- other persons assigned to serve with UNOMUR including the military observers, the privileges and immunities accorded to experts performing missions for the United Nations under Article VI of the Convention.

The privileges and immunities necessary for the fulfilment of the functions of UNOMUR also include:

- (i) the unrestricted freedom of entry and exit without delay or hindrance of its personnel, property, supplies, equipment, spare parts and means of transport;
- (ii) the unrestricted freedom of movement on land, bodies of water and air of personnel, property, supplies, equipment, spare parts and means of transport;
- (iii) the exemption from all direct taxes, import and export duties and registration fees and charges;
- (iv) the right to fly the United Nations flag on premises and vehicles as well as aircraft;
- (V) the acceptance of United Nations registration of means of transport on land, bodies of water and in the air and United Nations licensing of the operators thereof; and
- (vi) the right to unrestricted communication by radio, satellite or any other forms of communication including coded messages within the area of operations and to connect with the United Nations radio and satellite network, as well as by telephone, telegraph or any other means.

It is understood that the Government of Uganda shall assist UNOMUR in acquiring land and premises as may be necessary for the accommodation and fulfillment of its functions. All such land and premises shall be inviolable and subject to the exclusive control and authority of the United Nations.

It is also expected that the Government of Uganda shall provide UNOMUR personnel, where necessary and upon request of the Chief Military Observer, with maps and other information including location of mine fields and other dangers and impediments which might be useful in facilitating its tasks and movements, it being understood that information on location of mine fields shall be provided subject to its availability to the Government. Furthermore, and in accordance with operative paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 846 (1993), the Government of Uganda shall provide UNOMUR with such support and co-operation as may be necessary for the discharge of its mandate as well as for its safety and that of its personnel. The Chief Military Observer and the Government of Uganda shall take appropriate measures to ensure close and reciprocal military liaison.

If the above provisions meet with your approval, I would propose that this letter and the written confirmation of your acceptance of its provisions constitute an agreement between the United Nations and Uganda as required under Security Council resolution 846 (1993), before UNOMUR is fully deployed. This agreement may be terminated by either party upon written notice to the other and shall terminate one month from the receipt of such notice.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

[Signed]
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PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA TO THE UNITED NATIONS NEW YORK, N.Y.

August 16, 1993

Our Reference: UN/SA/6/1

Excellency.

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to refer to your letter dated 13 August 1993, and to inform you that my Government has no objections to the provisions which will constitute the agreement between the United Nations and Uganda as required under Security Council resolution 846 (1993) before UNOMUR is fully deployed.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

[Signed]

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