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An urgent message about the current security situation in the South Kivu province precisely in the upper and middle mountains of Fizi, Itombwe, Uvira and Mwenga. An urgent message about the current security situation in the South Kivu province precisely in the upper and middle mountains of Fizi, Itombwe, Uvira and Mwenga.

Today press release Justice Congo Group is, once again, making an appeal to ensure the voice of the people in the eastern district of the Democratic Republic of the

Congo, and in particular that of South Kivu, is heard. The Democratic Republic of Congo is considered the world's richest country in terms of natural resources, the immense natural deposit of which is concentrated in the east of the country, where targeted killings

are happening. However, these crimes are not being reported. For decades, this part of the country has been the object of the desires of the western and eastern powers, the idea being to cut off the provinces of North and South Kivu and annex them to Rwanda, Uganda

and the Hima Tutsi empire, by using proxy neighbouring countries, including Rwanda and Uganda and in complicity with the Congolese national government, a government that was established by the Rwandan government. To ensure efficiency and effectiveness of this project of annexation, these two countries are using their proxy, the M23, a terrorist

movement made up of mainly Tutsis, which continues to kill mercilessly and throw into mourning our Congolese families in the provinces of North and South Kivu.

These Rwandan and Ugandan terrorists tried to seize the province of North Kivu without success, because there they encountered fierce resistance from the defence armed forces of native Congolese patriots, whose bravery, sacrifices and high sense of patriotism which the population of DR Congo value. In addition, these M23/RDF terrorists are now reorganising themselves in another war zone in South Kivu in the territories of Fizi, Itombwe, Uvira and Mwenga, with the objective of exterminating the civilian

populations (Babembe, Bafuliru, Banyindu, Bashi, Barenga, Banyanga...) and the conquest of their land. Today, militia groups Gwaneo, Herukundo and Makanika have just

received significant support from the M23/RDF in the form of troops and equipment.

These so-called troops are concentrated in the following areas: Fizi Territory: MILIZA, KAWELA, MASHA, BIJABO, KAMOMBO, BIBOKOBOKO, BARAKA AND ORIMBA. Mwenga Territory: they placed their headquarters in KALINGA 1 and KALINGA 2, KITABI 1 and KITABI 2 and in ILUNDU 2. UVIRA: the enemy has made Uvira the main axis through which troops, munitions, weapons and provisions for the military transit. These are the villages of KAGEREGERE, KAOLOLO, MARUNGU, RURAMBO, MURAMBI, MURAVIA, KWIRANGO, KITEMBE, KIZIBA and KAJEMBWE. As of February 6, 2024, the HIGWENEO militias of

MAKANIKA had threatened to attack the village of BIJOMBO, with a view to forcing a passage to welcome their brothers from the M23/RDF, who had come as reinforcements. On February 8 2024, they arrived, armed to the teeth, and having crossed the locality of RUSANGOKA, located a few kilometres from BIKENGE, coming from the UVIRA high plateau, they were heading towards MINEMBWE, where 8 camps were already erected, serving assemblies of recruits and the instructor trainer. Other M23/RDF camps were built in the localities of BIJABO, KIRUMBA, KIKOZI and NAMARA, but, also, for the militias of KIGWANEHO, MAKANI, in KALINGA 1 and KALINGA 2, IRUMBA, KIVUMU, MASHA, KABINGO and MULIZA, by thus encircling all of MINEMBWE and isolating the MINEMBWE aerodrome. Our FARDC elements, who were in BIBOKOBOKO, unfortunately abandoned their position in BAKARA, thus favouring the occupation of these villages by the enemy, leaving the civilian populations in total insecurity. In four months, MAKANIKA, RUKUNDO and the M23/RDF managed to erect four large camps which have more than 100 shelters for heavily armed soldiers in GIHAMBA, NAWARANGA, NATAMIRA and BURGONGE.

It is therefore time, before it is too late, also to focus attention on South Kivu, because once started, the war risks taking a truly regional turn. As we speak, and no later than yesterday, the BIJOMBO grouping is under high tension; there are very strong clashes going on now, because the elements of the M23/RDF, supported by the traitors of AFC, were

reported and began to attack. Our FARDC went to the reported positions of the enemy to disperse them but it was not easy because the enemy was sufficiently prepared to repel the attack of the FARDC. But, as we speak, our elements have resisted and the fighting is raging in the BIJOMBO grouping. As of today, 6th February, 2024, Justice Congo Group is alerting the entire world. These movements of the Rwandan army troops towards South Kivu to reinforce TWIRANEHO, have the final objective to destabilize and implement their balkanization plan, and the attacks are starting today, as stipulated, in the BIJOMBO group, and it is the civilian population of this territory who are and will always be the victims. The

international community should rather seek peace and stop Rwanda's activities. They should not be signing the mining agreements with Rwanda, which is neither a producer nor an exporter of minerals. Justice Congo Group would like to take this opportunity to inform the international community to take steps to prevent this from happening to

ensure we avoid the failure that Rwanda experienced in the past, during

the genocide of 1994. The government of the Democratic Republic of Congo should also take responsibility for its own actions.