

INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT
OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR

WITNESS STATEMENT

WITNESS INFORMATION:

Last Name: [REDACTED] Gender: Male
First Name: [REDACTED] Father's Name: [REDACTED]
Other names used: None Mother's Name: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Place of Birth: [REDACTED] ID number:
Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Nationality(s): Uganda
Ethnicity: Acholi Religion: Catholic

Language(s) Spoken: Acholi/Luo, English and Swahili

Language(s) Written: Acholi/Luo and English

Language(s) Used in Interview: English

Occupation: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Place of Interview: Kampala, Uganda

Date(s) and Time(s) of Interview: 23 May 2016: 10:00 – 12:40 and 14:00 – 16:20
24 May 2016: 09:50 – 11:30

Names of all persons present during interview: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Signature(s): [REDACTED]

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Procedure

1. I was introduced to [REDACTED] and told that they are investigators with the Office of the Prosecutor (OTP) of the International Criminal Court (ICC).
2. The investigators explained to me what the ICC is and described its mandate. They explained the role and mandate of the OTP within the ICC.
3. The investigators explained to me that they are investigating events that took place in northern Uganda from 2002 to 2005. I was informed that the OTP is contacting me because they believe I may have information relevant for establishing the truth.
4. I agreed that the interview would be conducted in English. I fully understand and speak English.
5. The investigators explained to me that I do not have to answer to their questions. The investigators explained to me that they are seeking to find out the truth. I agree to tell the truth and that my answers to their questions are as complete as possible and reflect the best of my knowledge and recollection.
6. I was informed that any information I give to the OTP, including my identity, may be shared with the parties of the proceedings at the ICC; in particular the Judges, Accused persons, the Counsel of the Accused and the legal representatives of the victims.
7. The investigators have explained to me the reasons and importance of keeping my contacts with the OTP confidential, which I fully understand.
8. Having understood all the above issues, I confirmed my willingness to answer the investigators' questions.
9. The investigators explained to me how the interview was going to be conducted. I was told that I needed to be as accurate as possible in my account and that I should state when I do not know the answer to or do not understand the question. I understand that I need to distinguish between what I have experienced or seen myself and what I have heard or learned about from someone else.

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10. I was told that at the conclusion of the interview, I would be asked to sign a written statement after having had the opportunity to review it, make any corrections, or add additional information.

Documents

11. I have been asked to comment upon a number of documents that I understand were provided to the OTP. I was present at the Regional Police Headquarters in Gulu with my former colleague Assistant Superintendent [REDACTED] on the 6th February 2016 and confirmed to the investigator which files contained potentially relevant documents
12. Investigators have showed me the following documents extracted from those files and asked me to explain their origin.

UGA-OTP-0256-0232 to 0233

13. By reviewing this document, I can see that it was sent by REGSEC NORTH which means Regional Security Officer North, which was my function in Special Branch when this document was dated, i.e 17 September 2003. The document was sent to the Director of the Special Branch in the Uganda Police HQ in Kampala.
14. The content of this report was based on the information I received from [REDACTED] who was a communication officer in the Kamdini police post. The information derived from intercepted LRA communications on 17 September 2003 between 08:00 and 09:15 on frequency 8866. This document is not signed which indicates to me that it was created on my computer by my clerk Constable [REDACTED]. It would then have been sent electronically to Special Branch Headquarters. Another method of transmitting the information would have been by fax, and in that instance I would have signed the document or one of my deputies would have done so in my absence.
15. I can state that all documents that bear my signature were reviewed and authorised by myself before their being faxed to Kampala. I ensured that the information within the report appeared to be accurate and credible and conformed to Special Branch standards for intelligence handling. All my subordinates were aware of the same standards so I could be confident that they were dealing appropriately with the information in my absence.
16. Documents that do not bear my signature were sent electronically as stated above, however they were first drafted on plain paper by my clerk for my review and authorisation prior to him typing them upon the computer and sending them to Kampala.

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17. Documents that have been signed on my behalf by my deputies in my absence were done so upon my authority as on occasion I had to travel into the field and was away from the office. Upon my return I reviewed all transmissions either by fax or electronically sent on my behalf.

UGA-OTP-0256-0234 to 0235

18. This document dated 5 September 2006 was sent by myself as REGSEC NORTH to two senior Police Officers: SECINPOL K'LA (R), and REGPOL NORTH. They were the Director of the Special Branch in HQ in Kampala and the Regional Police Commander in Northern Region.

19. The initial part of information contained in this document was derived from MEGA FM radio and other the part was from human intelligence sources including retired [REDACTED] who I actually met myself and obtained the information within the report. The report was signed by Police Constable [REDACTED] on my behalf who was one of my clerks.

UGA-OTP-0256-0236 to 0237

20. This document contained a list of people who left Gulu Airport on the 30th July 2006 for peace talks with the LRA in Juba. It was compiled by myself. I personally met these people and obtained their names before their departure.

UGA-OTP-0256-0238

21. By reviewing this document, I can say that the information in this document was derived from a human intelligence source or sources. The document was not signed by myself but signed by [REDACTED] on 8 September 2005 as I was not on duty at that time. [REDACTED] was my deputy and his rank was Assistant Superintendent.

UGA-OTP-0256-0239

22. This information report dated 9 August 2005 was signed by [REDACTED] on my behalf. The report seemed to be based on human intelligence source. It was unconfirmed by other information.

UGA-OTP-0256-0240

23. This information report dated 6 April 2005 was signed by Assistant Inspector [REDACTED] who was my staff officer.



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UGA-OTP-0256-0241

24. The information in this document derived from LRA communication intercepted by [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post on the previous date 16 March 2005. I signed the document. It was sent to Kampala by fax.

UGA-OTP-0256-0242

25. The information in this report dated 3rd March 2005 derived from human intelligence sources and also contains details of LRA communications intercepted on 2 March 2005. I signed the document.

UGA-OTP-0256-0243

26. The report dated 17 February 2005 contains both information through human intelligence sources and details of LRA communications intercepted by [REDACTED] of Kamdini Police Post on 16 February 2005. I signed the report.

27. The following documents are contained in the file titled Rebel Activities from other Districts.

UGA-OTP-0256-0245 to 0246

28. This report is a human intelligence information report on standard Special Branch stationary "SB Form 30" which gives the code of a source handler, the date the information was received by the source, and the date the information was received by the handler. The handler was HF 5 in this report. He was based in Pader District.

29. Intelligence is given a grading for accuracy and reliability. In this case, it was B2. Information classified as A1 was known to be true without any doubt.

30. The form was in triplicate with carbon paper between each page. The top copy was sent to me, the middle copy was sent to the District Special Branch, and the bottom copy was retained by the handler.

UGA-OTP-0256-0247

31. This report dated 5 May 2005 was brought to me in its original form. I can see that the time was 0255 hours, the location as Gulu, and heading as IMM meaning "Immediate" which indicated that information was required to be disseminated urgently. Therefore, it was urgently disseminated for my attention.



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32. It was signed by Detective Sergeant [REDACTED]. This information was derived from human intelligence.

33. The following documents were contained in the folder dated 2004 with no title.

UGA-OTP-0256-0292

34. This report relates to intercepted communications on 16 October 2004 from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post. It was sent by fax from my office to the Special Branch in Kampala but it was not signed. Therefore, this report had been sent by a computer electronically as there is no signature which normally indicates sending by fax.

UGA-OTP-0256-0293

35. This report dated 4 October 2004 is an incident report, relating to rebel activities on 3 October 2004. The report later contains intelligence derived from human intelligence source. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0294

36. The report dated 4 October 2004 is an information report relating to intercepted LRA communications on 2 and 3 October 2004 from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0295

37. The report dated 3 October 2004 is an information report concerning LRA activities between 1 and 3 October 2004. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0296

38. The report dated 19 September 2004 is an information report concerning LRA activities on 18 and 19 September 2004 derived from a human intelligence source. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0297

39. The report dated 8 September 2004 concerns intercepted LRA communications from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post on 6 and 7 September 2004. The reports concluded with information derived from a human intelligence source. I signed the report.

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UGA-OTP-0256-0298 to 2999

40. This report dated 13 August 2004 relates to intercepted LRA communications from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post on 11 and 12 August 2004. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0300

41. This report dated 26 July 2004 relates to intercepted LRA communications from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post on 24 July 2004. Also, there is information in the report derived from a human intelligence source on 23 and 24 July 2004. The report was signed by [REDACTED]

UGA-OTP-0256-0301

42. This report dated 18 July 2004 concerns intercepted LRA communications from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0302 to 0303

43. The report dated 14 July 2004 is a human intelligence report on 13 and 14 July 2004. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0304

44. The report dated 13 July 2004 concerns LRA activities on 12 July 2004. It was derived from human intelligence. It was signed by [REDACTED] one of my Assistant Inspectors and my Staff Officer.

UGA-OTP-0256-0305

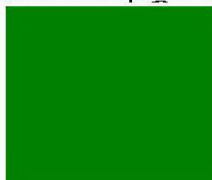
45. The report dated 17 June 2004 concerns intercepted LRA communications on 16 July 2004 from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post. It was signed by [REDACTED].

UGA-OTP-0256-0306

46. The report dated 16 June 2004 concerns LRA activities between 14 and 16 June 2004. It was derived from human intelligence. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0307

47. The report dated 11 June 2004 is a human intelligence report concerning events which took place on 9 June 2004. I signed the report.



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48. The report dated on 10 June 2004 is an information report concerning LRA activities on 9 June 2004. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0309 to 0310

49. The report dated 4 June 2004 concerns LRA activities on 3 June 2004. In addition, it contains a human intelligence report concerning KONY promoting LRA officers. I did not sign this report, therefore it was sent electronically.

UGA-OTP-0256-0311

50. The report dated 2 June 2004 concerns LRA activities on the same date. The information contained in the report derived from human intelligence source. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0312

51. The report dated 21 May 2004 concerns LRA's attack on Lukodi IDP camp on 20 May 2004. The information contained in the report was derived from human intelligence source. I did not sign the report, therefore I believe it was sent electronically.

UGA-OTP-0256-0313

52. The report dated 2 May 2004 concerns LRA activities between 29 April 2004 and 1 May 2004. The information contained in the report was derived from human intelligence source. I did not sign the report, therefore I believe it was sent electronically.

UGA-OTP-0256-0314

53. The report dated 1 May 2004 concerns LRA activities between 29 April 2004 and 1 May 2004. The information contained in the report was derived from human intelligence source. There is no signature on the report, therefore it was sent electronically.

UGA-OTP-0256-0315

54. The report dated 14 April concerns intercepted IRA communications on 13 April 2004 from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post. I signed the report.



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55. The following documents were contained in the file titled Opened 27.10.2004, Rebel Activities

UGA-OTP-0256-0317

56. The report dated 30 December 2004 concerns intercepted LRA communications from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post on 29 December 2004. In addition, the report contains human intelligence. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0318

57. This is a handwritten report dated 27 December 2004 concerning LRA activities on 26 December 2004. The information contained in this report derived from human intelligence source. It is not signed but I recognise the writing as being that of [REDACTED]

UGA-OTP-0256-0319

58. The report dated 21 December 2004 concerns LRA activities on 20 December 2004. The information contained in this report was derived from a human intelligence source. It is not signed.

UGA-OTP-0256-0320

59. The document is a list of LRA's top commanders. I created it by myself based on intelligence available to me at that time.

UGA-OTP-0256-0321 to 0327

60. I recognize that these reports were handwritten by [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post regarding intercepted LRA communications.

61. The following documents were contained in the file titled Opened 22.05.2003, Rebel Activities Northern Region.

UGA-OTP-0256-0329

62. The report dated 20 January 2004 concerns LRA activities on 19 January 2004. The information contained in this report was derived from a human intelligence source. I signed the report.



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63. The report dated 25 December 2003 concerns LRA activities on 24 December 2003. The information contained in this report was derived from a human intelligence source. I signed the report.

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64. The report dated 25 November 2003 concerns intercepted LRA communications on the same date from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post. The report is not signed.

UGA-OTP-0256-0332

65. The report dated 2 November 2003 concerns intercepted LRA communications from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post on 1 November 2003. The report is not signed.

UGA-OTP-0256-0333

66. The report dated 17 October 2003 concerns LRA activities on 16 November 2003. The information contained in the document derived from a human intelligence source. The report is not signed.

UGA-OTP-0256-0334

67. The report dated 15 October 2003 concerns intercepted LRA communications from [REDACTED] of the Kamdini Police Post on the same date. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0335

68. The report dated 13 October 2003 concerns LRA activities on 10 and 11 October 2003 and their intention to attack Pajule IDP camp. The information contained in the report was derived from a human intelligence source. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0336

69. The report dated 11 October concerns LRA activities on 10 October 2003 and their attack on Pajule trading centre. The information contained in the report was derived from a human intelligence source. I signed the report.



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UGA-OTP-0256-0337

70. This document dated 5 August 2003 was sent from the District Special Branch in Pader District to myself as the Regional Special Branch Officer in the norther region. It concerns a number of people who were killed or injured in Oyuku village due to bombardment by a UPDF helicopter.

UGA-OTP-0256-0338

71. The report dated 30 July 2003 concerns LRA activities on 29 June 2003. In addition, it contains a report that 14 civilians were killed in Oyuku village on 24 July 2003. The information contained in the report was derived from a human intelligence source. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0339

72. The report dated 24 July 2003 concerns LRA activities on 23 July 2003. The information contained in the report was derived from a human intelligence source. I signed the report.

UGA-OTP-0256-0340 to 0341

73. This document dated 30 May 2003 addressed to the Assistant Inspector General of Police (SB) detailing the most recent command structure of the LRA. The information was based on human intelligence. I signed the cover letter.

74. The following documents were contained in the file titled Opened 20.11. 2002, Security aspect of Guerrilla activities

UGA-OTP-0256-0343 to 0346

75. This is a letter dated 3 December 2002 addressed to the Director of Special Branch in Kampala. It is a Northern Region security review covering from 15 December 2002 to 30 December 2002. I signed the letter.

UGA-OTP-0256-0347 to 0351

76. The letter dated 20 November 2002 addressed to the Director of Special Branch in Kampala. It is a Northern Region security review covering from 1 November 2002 to 15 November 2002. I signed the letter.



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Closing Procedure

77. I was informed that I may be called to testify before the Court. It was brought to my attention that ICC trials are held in public and explained to me that, as an exception to the principle of public hearings, the judges may apply protective measures to those testifying if circumstances require.
78. The investigators informed me of the protective measures that may apply during and after the investigation and/or trial proceedings.
79. I have nothing to add to the above statement nor do I have anything to clarify. I am available to be contacted in the future for clarifications or questions on topics not covered during this interview.
80. I have given the answers to the questions of my own free will.
81. There has not been any form of coercion, duress, threat, promise or inducement which has influenced my account.
82. I have no complaints about the way I was treated during this interview.

WITNESS ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I have read over this statement and it is true to the best of my knowledge and recollection. I have given this statement voluntarily and I am aware that it may be used in legal proceedings before the International Criminal Court and that I may be called to give evidence in public before the International Criminal Court.

Signed:  _____

Dated: 24/05/2016

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