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B. Establish, position and authorize Multi-national force headquarters to direct and coordinate on-going and future activities involved in facilitating humanitarian assistance and voluntary repatriation.

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- A collective Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) would be negotiated on behalf of the MNF
- MNFHQ(s) would be established as appropriate, based on the MNF level of operation
- MNFHQ(s) would be deployed geographically to provide an effective Command and Control capability.
- Continue to conduct reconnaissance to evaluate the situation of refugees and displaced persons in Eastern Zaire.
- Encourage the humanitarian agencies to resume their relief activities in Eastern Zaire and assist them with information in their efforts to locate the people at risk within the resources available.
- If requested, provide military expertise to humanitarian agency planning.
- For operational planning purposes, identify force requirements for future levels
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- Nations provide appropriate legal staff to facilitate preparation of Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA)
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- Nations provide C3 support to facilitate effective MNF command and control
- Nations provide sufficient strategic airlift to execute MNFHQ(s) deployment
- Nations will be self sufficient in logistics capability. Nations may seek appropriate bilateral logistics agreements as coordinated by the MNF headquarters.
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MULTINATIONAL FORCE PLAN - GENERAL FRAMEWORK

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Resources

- The following military specialists would be made available: Engineers, Medical, Aviation, Logistics
- The following specialist resources would be provided: Engineers, Medical, Air resources, Logistic Support Units
- Security Forces as required

MULTINATIONAL FORCE PLAN - CONCEPT OF OPERATION

- In light of the changed and changing circumstances, the MNF Commander will use the resources necessary to provide flexible and balanced military support to national and humanitarian relief agencies within the region. Distinct levels of military capability can be deployed to permit the force to respond to the evolving situation. As required, the MNF Commander will request authority from the Steering Group to authorize the level of activities required to achieve the mission. The mission will be terminated by March 31, 1997 or earlier if the situation in eastern Zaire allows routine operations by civilian relief agencies. If routine operations by civilian relief agencies are not possible by that date, a follow-on organization will be required to assume responsibility from the MNF.

SPECTRUM OF OPERATION

- Each Level of Operation represents a cluster of military activities which the MNF Commander may wish to implement. Each level sets out the generic tasks that would be conducted and the force capabilities required. The MNF Commander must seek the authorization of the Steering Group to move to any new level. The levels of Operation follow.

MULTINATIONAL FORCE PLAN - MISSION

- To facilitate the delivery of humanitarian assistance and voluntary repatriation of refugees and displaced persons.

LEVELS OF OPERATION

- A. Encourage the current effort to assist the provision of humanitarian assistance and voluntary repatriation. Ascertain the location and condition of remaining refugees and displaced persons in eastern Zaire. These activities are on-going along with the formation of a multi-national planning staff.
- B. Establish, position and authorize Multi-national force headquarters to direct and coordinate on-going and future activities involved in facilitating humanitarian assistance and voluntary repatriation.
- C. Facilitate humanitarian assistance and voluntary repatriation in a permissive environment including humanitarian airlift into Zaire.
- D. Facilitate humanitarian assistance and voluntary repatriation in an environment which security forces are required for protection.
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