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Kagame sends fresh troops to reinforce Gen. Laurent Nkundabatware in DRC.

The Democratic Liberation Forces of Rwanda (FDLR) inform the public opinion and the International Community that in the night of 21 to 22 October 2007, five (5) battalions of the Rwandan Army heavily armed crossed the Rwandan-Congolese border as reinforcement of the combatants put by Rwanda under the command of General Laurent Nkundabatware in the Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC).

According to reliable information in our possession, five Rwandese Defense Forces (RDF) battalions crossed the border known as Muhato and advancing towards Rugari district between Kibumba and Bunagana bordering districts of the DRC.

The FDLR call on all Rwandans of all ethnic groups, especially the armed militias of the Local Defense Forces, to refuse to comply with RPF orders calling them for fighting in DRC, in a war that is not theirs and in which the interests at stake are unknown to them.

The FDLR call upon the International Community, especially the UN Security Council, to assume their responsibilities before History and prevent the Kagame regime to continue to dive the African Great Lakes region into a new humanitarian catastrophe.

The FDLR remind the International Community that the Rwandese problem is a political problem that can only be resolved through peaceful dialogue rather than military means, between all different political actors.

Given the fact that the FDLR have always demonstrated their firm commitment to peace, we call upon all nations and governments of the African Great Lakes Region and the International Community to become more involved in the search for the establishment of a lasting peace in Rwanda and the entire region.

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