

1 Thursday, 10 November 2022.

2 [Open session]

3 [The accused not present]

4 --- Upon commencing at 10.05 a.m.

5 JUDGE BONOMOY: Maître Altit, I notice there is some uncertainty
6 this morning about the presence of Mr. Kabuga in the courtroom. Can you
7 assist us with that.

8 MR. ALTIT: [Interpretation] Yes, that is correct, Your Honour.
9 Good morning, Your Honours.

10 Mr. Kabuga, for the moment, is not in a condition to attend the
11 hearing but he will be there in a few minutes, and I believe that the
12 different requirements will not take more than half an hour; so, as soon
13 as possible, he will be able to attend the hearing today.

14 JUDGE BONOMOY: Are you able to indicate to us how this situation
15 has arisen?

16 MR. ALTIT: [Interpretation] Yes, Your Honour. Maybe --

17 JUDGE BONOMOY: I'm happy to go into closed session if you prefer
18 that.

19 MR. ALTIT: [No interpretation].

20 JUDGE BONOMOY: We shall do that.

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5 [Open session]

6 THE REGISTRAR: We are back in open session, Your Honour.

7 JUDGE BONOMO: Certain enquiries are now necessary to establish
8 what has happened to render it inappropriate for Mr. Kabuga to come into
9 the courtroom at this stage. Once that has been clarified, I anticipate
10 the court proceeding with this morning's hearing; but, meanwhile, we
11 shall adjourn until the matter is clarified and that should take no more
12 than half an hour.

13 --- Recess taken at 10.11 a.m.

14 --- On resuming at 11.37 a.m.

15 [The accused entered court]

16 [The witness entered court]

17 JUDGE BONOMO: Unfortunately, it took a little longer than
18 anticipated to deal with the issues which arose at the outset. These
19 have now been addressed. I now note the presence of Mr. Kabuga in the
20 courtroom.

21 We will proceed straight to the cross-examination of the current
22 witness.

23 Witness, it's important that you recall or recollect that at the
24 beginning of your evidence you made a solemn declaration to tell the
25 truth. That declaration continues to apply to your evidence until you

1 complete it, and, in particular, it will apply throughout your evidence
2 today.

3 Do you understand that?

4 THE WITNESS: [via videolink][Interpretation] Yes, I have
5 understood that. Thank you.

6 JUDGE BONOMO: You will now be asked questions by counsel
7 representing the Defence, that's Maître Mathe, so I turn to her now to
8 conduct her cross-examination.

9 Maître Mathe.

10 MS. MATHE: [via videolink][Interpretation] Thank you very much,
11 Your Honour.

12 WITNESS: KAB009 [Resumed]

13 [Witness answered through interpreter]

14 [Witness testified via videolink]

15 Cross-examination by Ms. Mathe:

16 Q. [Interpretation] Good morning, Witness. I'm going to ask you a
17 few questions. I am representing Félicien Kabuga. I am going to ask you
18 a few questions and I will make sure that I phrase them in such a way
19 that it won't be possible to identify you. If, at any point in time, you
20 think that your answer might be likely to identify you, please let us
21 know and we will ask the Chamber if it is suitable to move into private
22 session. But I think that this will not be a problem in the way I phrase
23 them.

24 Since when have you been imprisoned? That's my first question.

25 A. Thank you very much, your Honour. I have been asked on what date

1 I was imprisoned. I was imprisoned on 19 January 1997.

2 Q. Where were you arrested?

3 A. I was arrested in the former préfecture of Gisenyi.

4 Q. Where were you between 1994 -- I repeat. Where were you between
5 1994 and the date on which you were arrested?

6 A. Before this period, I was in exile in the former Zaire, which is
7 the current Congo.

8 Q. Why did you go back to Rwanda?

9 A. I went back to Rwanda because in the camp in which I was living
10 was attacked, and since I didn't know where to go, I decided to go back
11 to my country.

12 Q. Who attacked your camp?

13 A. My camp was attacked by Laurent Désiré Kabila's forces. They
14 attacked the Congo to take power back and the combatting began with our
15 camp first.

16 Q. How long did you stay in the Gisenyi Préfecture before being
17 arrested once you came back to the country?

18 A. After I came back, I stayed at home for some time. I came back
19 in December 1996, and in January 1997 I was arrested and put in prison.

20 Q. Where were you held? Where were you? Were you imprisoned or in
21 a communal detention unit?

22 A. I was arrested by soldiers. They held me where they were and
23 then they took me to the brigade of the Gisenyi gendarmerie and then
24 I was put in prison.

25 Q. When were you convicted and when was the ruling made?

1 A. Thank you very much. So in the first instance, I was convicted
2 on 25 May 2001.

3 Q. What was your sentence?

4 A. I was sentenced to capital punishment because at that time
5 capital punishment was still applied in Rwanda.

6 Q. So to get a capital punishment sentence, in what category did the
7 court classify you?

8 A. In the first category, but I appealed the judgment.

9 Q. Why were you put in the first category? For what reason?

10 A. I was put in the first category because I was in charge of a
11 group, and all those in charge of the group were put in the first
12 category. I was in charge of civil defence and I was in charge of a
13 group of 60 people and that is the reason why I was put in the first
14 category, because I was the chief of that group.

15 Q. Were you judged in front of an appeals court? Were you convicted
16 in front of an appeals court?

17 A. Thank you. Yes, I did appeal, but I wasn't convicted by the
18 classical appeals court in Rwanda. We had the Gacaca court so my case
19 was sent to the Gacaca court, and I was convicted by the Gacaca court.

20 Q. So where did you stand trial? In front of which Gacaca court?
21 In which region, which territory? Which secteur, which commune?

22 A. Thank you. The Gacaca court where I was convicted was the
23 Gisenyi Sector C.

24 Q. In which prison are you serving your sentence?

25 A. Thank you very much. I am serving my sentence in a prison which

1 is in the Rubavu District.

2 MR. RASHID: [via videolink] Mr. President, I apologise for
3 intervening in the cross-examination, but I'm concerned that the more
4 narrow and focused this information, the better we probably deal with it
5 in private session, if that's possible.

6 JUDGE BONOMO: Well, no indication has come from accused -- from
7 the witness or counsel to that effect, and the answer that's just been
8 given seemed to me to be a carefully thought-out answer. I'm alert to
9 the risk that you mention, but that can be determined as the evidence
10 proceeds.

11 Please continue, Maître Mathe.

12 MS. MATHE: [Via videolink][Interpretation] Thank you,
13 Your Honour.

14 Q. [Interpretation] When were you convicted by the Gacaca court?

15 A. Thank you very much, Your Honour. I was convicted in 2009 in
16 August, but I can't exactly remember the precise date.

17 Q. When did someone get in touch with you to appear as a witness in
18 Félicien Kabuga's trial?

19 A. Thank you. As regards Kabuga's trial, I can't exactly remember
20 the date when someone got in touch with me, but I remember that it was in
21 2005.

22 Q. Who contacted you in 2005?

23 A. I was contacted by agents of the Tribunal. Apologies. I got
24 contacted by civil servants working for the Tribunal in 2004 so that
25 I could testify during Kabuga's trial. But, of course, I'm talking here

1 about the ICTR. So they came to see me after 2004.

2 Q. Did you get to speak to a lawyer about the conditions and the
3 consequences of you testifying in Kabuga's trial?

4 A. I did not see a lawyer for my defence, but back then Kabuga
5 had not been arrested yet and I considered then that there couldn't be
6 any consequences because he wasn't there and we didn't really know
7 whether he was in Rwanda or in neighbouring countries. But, to tell you
8 the truth, no, I was not assisted by a lawyer.

9 Q. Where did the discussions with the Tribunal's representatives or
10 representatives from the Prosecutor's Office take place before Kabuga's
11 trial?

12 A. The civil servants working for the ICTR came to see me at the
13 Rubavu prison.

14 Q. Was this discussion confidential or were there Rwandan
15 authorities that could hear or see how this meeting took place?

16 A. During my meeting, there were no members of the Rwandan
17 authorities, even -- and there was no one either from the prison
18 administration. There was members of the ICTR, an interpreter and a
19 lawyer that was present during the meeting, so that he could attend the
20 meeting as well and support me.

21 Q. Did you talk about your statement with other detainees before you
22 were heard or afterwards?

23 A. Thank you very much, Your Honour. I did not talk to anyone
24 regarding my statement. I know that when one is testifying, it is
25 important not to talk to anyone, so I haven't talked to anyone about

1 this. This was a secret that I kept, except to those working for the
2 ICTR. I told them that I would testify, but I told them not to talk to
3 anyone just to guarantee my safety. I told everyone in the meeting that
4 they should make sure that they would guarantee my safety. So, myself,
5 I could not talk about my hearing and my statement because I was very
6 much concerned about my own safety.

7 Q. You arrived here just a few days ago, coming from Rwanda. You
8 took a plane. Did you travel alone or were you with other people that
9 you knew, people that you know, other detainees, other people that are
10 indicted and have been convicted in Rwanda and that have travelled with
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23 [Open session]

24 THE REGISTRAR: We are back in open session, Your Honours.

25 MS. MATHE: [via videolink]

1 Q. [Interpretation] Witness, in the testimony that you provided to
2 the Prosecution in this case, you talked about a meeting that was held in
3 the Méridien Hotel. Can you talk about that meeting, please.

4 A. Thank you. I do remember this meeting, indeed.

5 Q. On what date -- on what date did this meeting -- on what date was
6 this meeting held?

7 A. I do not remember the date on which the meeting was held, but
8 I could -- I can say that it was the end of May, beginning of June. It
9 was between the end of May and beginning of June, but I cannot precisely
10 recall the date.

11 Q. How were you informed about this meeting?

12 A. I got to know that this meeting was about to be held, was going
13 to be held by the Colonel Nsengiyumva Anatole and he asked me to go and
14 ensure the security where this meeting was supposed to be held.

15 Q. What do you mean by ensuring the security of the place? What
16 exactly did that entail? What did you have to do?

17 A. In my understanding, I was supposed to make sure that the place
18 was secure. There were authorities, in fact, participating in this
19 meeting. I was part of the civil defence. We had weapons and we had to
20 basically ensure the security of the authorities that were taking part in
21 this meeting.

22 Q. Where in the Méridien Hotel did this meeting occur?

23 A. This meeting was held in the meeting room of the Méridien Hotel.

24 Q. Did you enter the meeting room?

25 A. Yes, I did enter the meeting room.

1 Q. What was the configuration of the meeting room? Was there a
2 speaker stand and chairs, or was it basically a roundtable? Can you
3 describe the configuration of the meeting room, please.

4 A. This was how it looked like: There was a roundtable in the
5 meeting room.

6 Q. According to you, how many people participated in the meeting?
7 Even an approximate figure would be okay.

8 A. I cannot give you the exact number of participants, but there
9 were many. And, amongst the participants, there were people I knew and
10 there were others I didn't, but they were in great numbers.

11 Q. I understand that you don't -- you can't give the exact figure,
12 but can you give us a ballpark figure, whether it was 5, 15 or 100, or
13 perhaps somewhere in the middle of the three figures I just stated?

14 A. It is very difficult to give you even an approximation because
15 these events took place a very long time ago. I can just say that there
16 were many people, but I really cannot say if there were 50 or 60 because
17 I did not count them. I really cannot give you an estimation.

18 Q. Everyone was seated at that meeting; was that right?

19 A. Yes, everyone was seated.

20 Q. Where were you?

21 A. I was outside near the hotel, but since I was in charge of the
22 security of the participants, sometimes I would enter the meeting room,
23 I would stay there for a while, then I would go out, but I did not stay
24 in the meeting room permanently.

25 Q. Who did you hear speak at that meeting?

1 A. When I entered the meeting room, it was Kabuga who was speaking.

2 Q. Do you stay -- did you stay for the entire time Kabuga spoke?

3 A. I did not listen to his entire speech. I only listened to a part
4 of what he said and I told the Prosecution that I had followed -- that
5 I had listened to only a part of his speech.

6 Q. The objective of the meeting was fundraising to organise both
7 civil and military defence; is this true?

8 A. Yes, that was the objective of the meeting.

9 Q. So it was all about fundraising, right?

10 A. It was about fundraising to purchase weapons. And this was said.
11 We said that it was about collecting money to buy weapons and provide
12 assistance to the army. The funds, indeed, were raised. In fact, they
13 were looking for money to basically pay the customs fees for the weapons
14 to transit into the country. The weapons were purchased and you actually
15 needed Customs clearance for these weapons so that they can enter the
16 Rwandan territory.

17 Q. The fundraising, did it start during the same day when the
18 meeting was in progress?

19 A. During this meeting, funds were raised. Certain participants
20 paid in cheque, others paid in cash.

21 Q. Do you know how much money was collected on that day?

22 A. Now, with regard to the amount that was collected, yes, I do know
23 the figure. It was 160 million Rwandan francs.

24 Q. Are you sure about this figure, Witness?

25 A. Yes, it is this amount. I am sure it is this amount I mentioned

1 earlier.

2 Q. This was the amount that was collected in cheque and in cash on
3 that particular day? This is what you want to say; am I right?

4 A. Yes, this is what I provide as testimony.

5 Q. In your testimony, you subsequently talked about your
6 participation in a weapons delivery operation in Goma, so I'm going to
7 talk -- now I'm going to ask you questions about this weapons delivery.

8 Who appointed you to go to Goma and take part in this weapons
9 delivery operation?

10 A. As I've already mentioned earlier, my colleagues and myself were
11 part of the group that was entrusted with defence, with civil defence,
12 and this civil defence group received instructions from the army. Now,
13 Colonel Anatole Nsengiyumva had given instructions so that we go to Goma
14 and we take delivery of weapons.

15 Q. How many people in your group left for Goma?

16 A. There were about 20 of us, and I'm talking about people from my
17 group. But we weren't the only people who went. There were other groups
18 that were with us for this specific activity.

19 Q. Now, if we count the number of people in your group and members
20 of the other group, so how many of you were there? Even a ballpark
21 figure would be fine, thank you.

22 A. Thank you. When we went for Congo, we actually left the previous
23 night. I know the 20 people who were part of my group. The others were
24 already in the bus. We entered the bus and I'm not in a position to give
25 you the number of people. It was during nighttime and I really cannot

1 say that I knew these people. I only knew the people from my group.

2 Q. Now, did you all travel in the same bus?

3 A. We all travelled in the same bus. There were also trucks, but no
4 one were in these trucks except for the drivers who were driving them.

5 Q. Was it an ONATRACOM bus?

6 A. Yes, that's right. It's an ONATRACOM bus.

7 Q. Now, these are passenger buses. They had to have seats. Was
8 this bus in full capacity? What is the normal seating capacity in these
9 buses and were there people standing? Were there people standing and
10 what was the seating capacity in the bus; do you know that?

11 A. Thank you. Now, when we -- on the onward journey, we were
12 standing because we had taken off the seats in the bus.

13 Q. So you left for Goma. You said that there was this bus and two
14 trucks. Were there any other vehicles? And how did you drive? One
15 behind the other or separately?

16 A. Thank you very much. We crossed the border in a convoy. There
17 was also a small vehicle with military people in it who were accompanying
18 us.

19 Q. Can you tell us in which order you crossed the border?

20 A. When we crossed the border, it was, first, the military vehicle
21 in front, then there was the bus in which we were, and then the two
22 trucks were behind us.

23 Q. So you arrived at Goma Airport. And did all three vehicles go on
24 the runway together or separately? How did it happen? You arrive at the
25 airport to get the weapons delivery, but how did you actually move in the

1 vehicles once you got there?

2 A. We arrived at Goma Airport. The bus stopped in the car park.
3 The small vehicle also parked on the car park and it's the trucks that
4 went to the runway where the planes had landed. Then we loaded the
5 trucks, and some other weapons were loaded on the bus.

6 Q. Let me ask you to be a little more specific. Can you please tell
7 us what kind of --

8 THE INTERPRETER: The interpreter missed part of Ms. Mathe's
9 question because it was inaudible. Could you please ask her to repeat it
10 because there's a lot of echo.

11 JUDGE BONOMY: Maître Mathe, could you please repeat your last
12 question for the interpreter.

13 MS. MATHE: [via videolink]

14 Q. [No interpretation].

15 A. [No interpretation].

16 THE REGISTRAR: Sorry. I'm just requesting the interpreter to
17 turn on the microphone, please.

18 THE WITNESS: [via videolink][Interpretation] I haven't -- I'm not
19 familiar with the different models of aircraft. I haven't travelled much
20 by plane but --

21 MS. MATHE: [via videolink]

22 Q. [Interpretation] What makes you say that it was a military
23 aircraft?

24 A. Well, it was because of the colour of the plane. It resembled
25 military attire.

1 Q. In your testimony, you spoke about a cargo plane. When you
2 arrived on the runway to load the trucks, was it an aircraft where the
3 rear doors opened or whether the front doors opened? And how did the
4 goods come out of the plane? From where?

5 A. When we approached the aircraft, the rear doors were opened, next
6 to the tail, and then a ladder came down from the plane, and that's how
7 we entered the plane; from the back door.

8 Q. Did -- sorry, were both trucks loaded simultaneously or one after
9 the other?

10 A. Thank you very much. We loaded the first truck and then we
11 loaded the second truck.

12 Q. You have said that for some crates, it took five people to carry
13 them, and others that were lighter and required less manpower. Can you
14 describe the volume or the dimensions of these crates?

15 A. Thank you. Thank you, Your Honour. In that night, we, along
16 with my colleagues, were lifting the crates so we were not really
17 measuring the length and breadth of the crates, so I am not in a position
18 to give you an estimation. It's true that some crates were really big
19 and required five people to lift them and others were small crates and it
20 only took two people to lift them.

21 Q. Did you open one of those crates at any point in time and did you
22 see the contents of the crates?

23 A. Thank you very much. When we were at the airport, we did not
24 open the crates.

25 Q. But then you did see them open later on? Did you see those

1 crates open? Did you see the big crates and the small crates open at any
2 point in time?

3 A. Yes. At one point in time, we saw the crates open. In fact, we
4 opened them in the morning.

5 Q. So can you tell us what they contained, both the big crates and
6 the small crates?

7 A. Thank you. In the big crates there were firearms and in the
8 small crates there was the ammunition for those firearms, and there were
9 also small bags with the loaders and then there were -- there was also
10 other ammunition.

11 Q. Can you give us an indication -- can you indicate how many big
12 crates and how many small crates were offloaded from the plane that
13 night?

14 A. Thank you very much. Your Honour, during the night, we offloaded
15 crates from the plane and loaded them onto the vehicles. We did not
16 count the number of crates. It was not our job. The only people who
17 could count those crates were the people directly concerned. We did not
18 count those crates. All we did was just load these crates on to the
19 trucks and once the trucks were full, we'd put the remaining crates in
20 the bus. But we did not count any of them.

21 Q. You said that you believed that there were -- there was a total
22 of about 400 crates in all, ballpark. Can you confirm that figure or not
23 today?

24 A. Yes, I confirm the figure of 400. I had made that approximation
25 myself, but I hadn't actually counted them. It was just an approximate

1 figure that I had provided.

2 Q. Could you tell us if there were more small crates or more big
3 crates? Can you give us an approximate, you know, approximate proportion
4 of the number of big crates versus small crates?

5 A. Well, I am not really in a position to tell you how many small
6 crates, how many big crates there were. All I can say is that we
7 offloaded those crates and we loaded them onto the vehicles. And once
8 the vehicles were loaded, they left. When we reached Rwanda, the
9 vehicles didn't stop where I was to inspect the contents of the trucks
10 and to be able to count the number of crates. The trucks left. The
11 trucks parked in the military camp, whereas we stayed at the Méri­dien
12 Hotel, so we were not in a position to see how many crates were loaded
13 during the night.

14 And, in fact, I gave a figure of 400 but this is just a ballpark
15 figure.

16 Q. When did you load the truck --

17 THE INTERPRETER: The bus, sorry, correction.

18 MS. MATHE: [via videolink]

19 Q. [Interpretation] When did you load the bus, and how? How did
20 you -- was -- did the bus go onto the tarmac? When and how did you load
21 the bus?

22 A. Thank you. Thank you very much. Your Honour, members of the
23 Court, before I answer this question, I would ask you to take a short
24 break, if you don't mind. I need to use the restroom.

25 JUDGE BONOMO: Just one -- yes, you can escorted to the restroom

1 just now.

2 [The witness stands down]

3 JUDGE BONOMY: Maître Mathe, can you indicate to me how much
4 longer your cross-examination is likely to be.

5 MS. MATHE: [via videolink][Interpretation] I think I will take
6 slightly over half an hour, Your Honour.

7 [Trial Chamber confers]

8 JUDGE BONOMY: I should indicate to you, Maître Mathe, that we
9 will not be sitting longer than 1.00 today because -- and Mr. Kabuga has
10 already been away from his normal routine for longer than anticipated
11 and, therefore, we have to bring this hearing to an end fairly soon.

12 [The witness takes the stand]

13 JUDGE BONOMY: The witness has now returned so you can continue.

14 MS. MATHE: [via videolink]

15 Q. [Interpretation] Witness, I had asked you how the buses were
16 loaded. Did the bus also go onto the runway, onto the tarmac next to the
17 plane to be able to load the crates onto the bus?

18 A. The bus approached the plane, and that's how the crates were
19 loaded onto the bus.

20 Q. Were there a lot of large crates with firearms in them and not
21 the ones with the ammunition in them?

22 A. The crates with the actual weapons in them were more numerous
23 than the ones with ammunition in them, if I remember correctly.
24 I understand -- I remember, rather, what was loaded onto the cars, but
25 I'm not very sure about what was put in the bus. In the morning, I saw

1 what was on the bus.

2 Q. So, then, can you tell us what was in the bus? You said that
3 there were a large number of crates. Did everyone who went in the bus
4 come back by bus or did they have to go using other means?

5 JUDGE BONOMY: Well, there are at least three questions there.
6 Would you take them, please, one at a time. The first was...

7 MS. MATHE: [via videolink]

8 Q. [Interpretation] The first question was how many crates were in
9 the bus?

10 A. Thank you very much, Your Honour. In the bus, there were 30
11 crates.

12 Q. And all those who travelled by bus, were they able to come back
13 in the bus as well? All those who had arrived by bus?

14 A. We all came back in the same bus.

15 Q. Did you cross the border in the same order than when you arrived?

16 A. Yes, that is what happened. First, there were the trucks on the
17 way back, and then we were in the bus behind the trucks.

18 Q. How did the Customs procedures go? Were you checked at the
19 border? Were you checked by Customs?

20 A. As I said earlier on, this happened during nighttime and we came
21 back at around 3.00 in the morning. When we arrived at the border
22 crossing, the trucks had already passed beyond the border. When we
23 arrived, we didn't get any checks -- we didn't get to check who's in the
24 car, both on the way there and on the way back.

25 Q. What kind of truck was it? Do you remember the brand of the

1 trucks?

2 A. Thank you very much. They were Benz trucks.

3 Q. Did they have any identification markings?

4 A. This is what could identify these trucks: They were Mercedes
5 Benz trucks, so we could see the Mercedes logo, and we knew that these
6 were Kabuga's trucks because on the driver's door you could see Félicien
7 Kabuga's initials.

8 Q. Can you confirm that only the bus parked in front of the Méridien
9 Hotel and that all the other trucks went to the military camp as you
10 previously said?

11 A. Yes, I confirm it.

12 Q. You said that you had spent the night looking after the bus
13 parked in front of the Méridien Hotel and that it was only in the morning
14 that the firearms were then distributed. On that morning, did the trucks
15 come back to the Méridien Hotel?

16 A. No. This is not what I said. The trucks did not go back to the
17 Méridien Hotel. They went straight to the military camp. Only the bus
18 parked in front of the Méridien Hotel. The trucks never went to the
19 Méridien Hotel.

20 Q. In your statement, you mention the fact that the firearms loaded
21 in the bus were then distributed towards Kayove and Nyamyumba. Can you
22 tell me who had ordered for this distribution? Who had decided to
23 distribute these weapons and to send them to Kayove and Nyamyumba?

24 A. Thank you very much. At the beginning of this distribution,
25 Kabuga was present. He arrived at 8.00 in the morning. There was also

1 Augustin Ngirabatware and other people as well, Benoit Munyagishari and
2 some Interahamwe as well. On Ngirabatware's request, the firearms were
3 then given to the Nyamyumba's bourgmestre and these weapons were then
4 sent to Nyamyumba and Kayove.

5 Q. When did a group of people that were armed left to Bisesero?
6 When did they leave?

7 A. As regards the group of people that went to Bisesero, this group
8 left after the firearms were distributed in the stadium.

9 Q. How many people were there in the stadium?

10 A. 400 people.

11 Q. Were the firearms that were loaded onto the trucks distributed in
12 the stadium or did some of them stay in the military camp? Did all the
13 firearms get distributed in the stadium or did some stay in the military
14 camp?

15 A. Thank you very much, Your Honour. Some of these weapons stayed
16 in the military camp. Or, rather, I can't really tell you. I don't
17 exactly know where these weapons were located, whether the military camp
18 or at the stadium. I can't really tell you.

19 Q. I'm talking about the two trucks. Did the two trucks go to the
20 stadium or not?

21 A. I had not really understood your question. I thought that you
22 had asked me whether some weapons had remained in the military camps and
23 that some were brought to the stadium. But I did see these two trucks
24 parked in the stadium.

25 Q. You stated that you then went to Kigali. How many people went to

1 Kigali?

2 A. There were 350 of us.

3 Q. What were you doing in Kigali?

4 A. We were heading towards Kigali to help those that were at
5 the front.

6 JUDGE BONOMO: Maître Mathe, could you find a suitable place now
7 to interrupt your cross-examination.

8 MS. MATHE: [via videolink][Interpretation] I think, Your Honour,
9 that I could be able to pause in one or two minutes as I will be coming
10 to the end of this particular session.

11 JUDGE BONOMO: Very well.

12 MS. MATHE: [via videolink]

13 Q. [Interpretation] What front are you exactly talking about?

14 A. During the time of the genocide, there was a war between the
15 national army and the RPF Inkotanyi, and when we went to Kigali, we went
16 there to support the front and to support our armed forces and to fight
17 against the RPF.

18 Q. Did you receive any military training?

19 A. Yes, I received military training.

20 Q. Were you a member of a party when Rwanda -- when there was
21 multipartyism in Rwanda, were you then a member of a party?

22 A. No, I never was a member of a political party. I took part in
23 military training as someone who had been selected to take part to the
24 civil defence. At some point, the Interahamwe and the Impuzamugambi
25 joined the civil defence forces, so this was our common denominator. We

1 were all Hutus. That was our common denominator. But I never was a
2 member of a political party.

3 MS. MATHE: [via videolink][Interpretation] So I could pause here,
4 Your Honour, but I do want to make a correction in the transcript. At
5 some point I asked the witness whether it was a military plane and
6 I believe that he said yes, and this does not show in the transcript, so
7 we're talking about line 1 of page 20 of the transcript, and I would like
8 it to be corrected; that is, if I have heard correctly the answer of the
9 witness.

10 JUDGE BONOMOY: That will be checked and you will be able to see the
11 draft transcript in due course in its corrected form. So thank you for
12 interrupting at that moment.

13 Now, Witness, we will have to interrupt the proceedings at this
14 stage and adjourn the Trial Chamber's hearings until Tuesday of next week
15 at 10.00 a.m. Between now and then, it is vital that you have no
16 discussion whatsoever with anyone about the evidence in this case.

17 Do you understand that?

18 THE WITNESS: [via videolink][Interpretation] Thank you very much,
19 Your Honour. I understand perfectly.

20 JUDGE BONOMOY: Thank you very much also.

21 The Trial Chamber is now adjourned until Tuesday at 10.00.

22 --- The hearing adjourned at 1.06 p.m.

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