

MAB 219
5 July 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Abidjan Bureau--June 1982

I. GENERAL

On 14 June the French franc was devalued by nearly 5 percent against the dollar. Since the local currency, the CFA, is directly pegged to the French franc at 50 CFA to one franc, on that date the CFA exchange rate jumped from about 315 to over 335 CFA to the dollar. An immediate benefit of the improved exchange rate came on the 16th, when the bureau paid rental advances of over \$14,000 on two residences. This is slightly over \$1,000 less than would have been paid if the rent payments had been made a few days earlier. In addition, as a result of the dollar's new strength the COLA rate for staff employees promptly dropped from 15 to 10 percent.

II. OPERATIONS

Monitorial/Editorial

1. On 7 June, AFP's Africa team in French announced that Former Chadian Defense Minister Hissein Habre's Armed Forces of the North (FAN) had taken control of Ndjamena. President Goukouni Oueddei, whose political support among other factions had crumbled with the government's lack of military success, fled to Cameroon, later seeking exile in Algeria. The fall of the capital was not accompanied by control of the country, however. Former Vice President Kamougue withdrew his forces to the more prosperous south and called for negotiations. Habre announced a new government and showed little indication of a willingness to bargain. The bureau's coverage of this phase of the drawn-out conflict was limited to AFP, which has correspondents in the country. Since Ndjamena Radio's transmitter was destroyed during factional fighting in March 1980, the station cannot be heard outside the immediate Ndjamena area. Primary source material was available for a related issue, the withdrawal of the OAU peacekeeping force. The OAU force was made up of contingents from Nigeria, Senegal and Zaire, all of which withdrew some or all of their forces shortly after the capital fell.

2. Former Biafran leader Odumegwu Ojukwu returned to Nigeria from a 12-year exile in the Ivory Coast to a warm welcome on 18 June. He had been pardoned by President Shagari. The press agency NAN proved to be the best source for reporting on his return, as Lagos radio seemed to deliberately downplay the event. NAN covered all details of the return

extensively and objectively, including the fact that pickpockets were active in the crowd. A number of items were filed at immediate precedence at the request of the BBC Newsbureau.

III. ADMINISTRATION

Personnel

Editor [redacted] departed on the 17th for extended annual leave in the United States. London Bureau Associate Editor [redacted] arrived on the 25th for an eight-week TDY, to fill in during [redacted] leave and that of the bureau chief.

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Chief, Abidjan Bureau

Attachment
Monthly Production Report

CC: Deputy Chief, London Bureau
Chief, Swaziland Bureau

ABIDJAN BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR JUNE 1982

OM TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	192,380
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	12,260
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	519

BROAD-CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI-CATIONS
7,936	31,380	

II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:
(MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

ANGOLA

LUANDA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	4,260	
LUANDA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	3,270	
LUANDA ANGOP IN PORTUGUESE		
LUANDA ANGOP IN FRENCH		19,700

BENIN

COTONOU DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	1,500	
COTONOU EHUZU IN FRENCH		

CAMEROON

YAOUNDE DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	520	
YAOUNDE DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	1,930	
CAMEROON TRIBUNE IN FRENCH		
CAMEROON TRIBUNE IN ENGLISH		

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (CAR)
BANGUI DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH

CONGO

BRAZZAVILLE DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH
BRAZZAVILLE BULLETIN QUOTIDIEN IN FRENCH
BRAZZAVILLE ETUMBA IN FRENCH

EQUATORIAL GUINEA

HALABO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN SPANISH

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	BROAD-CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLICA-TIONS
FRANCE			
PARIS AFP IN ENGLISH		26,570	
PARIS AFP IN FRENCH		24,380	
PARIS DIPLOMATIC INFORMATION SERVICE IN FRENCH		14,540	
GABON			
LIBREVILLE DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	2,700		
LIBREVILLE L'UNION IN FRENCH			
GAMBIA			
BANJUL GAMBIA NEWS BULLETIN IN ENGLISH			
GHANA			
ACCRA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	28,040		
ACCRA INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN ENGLISH			
ACCRA GHANAIAN TIMES IN ENGLISH			
ACCRA DAILY GRAPHIC IN ENGLISH			
ACCRA WEEKLY SPECTATOR IN ENGLISH			
ACCRA THE MIRROR IN ENGLISH			
LONDON GNA TO ACCRA IN ENGLISH			
GUINEA BISSAU			
BISSAU NO PINTCHA IN PORTUGUESE			

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLICA- TIONS
GUINEA			
CONAKRY DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	1.410		
CONAKRY MOROYA IN FRENCH			
IVORY COAST			
ABIDJAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	1.020		
ABIDJAN FRATERNITE MATIN IN FRENCH			830
ABIDJAN INFORMATION IN FRENCH			
LIBERIA			
MONROVIA RADIO ELWA IN ENGLISH	3.020		
MONROVIA DOMESTIC IN ENGLISH	1.270		
MONROVIA EXPRESS IN ENGLISH			
MONROVIA LIBERIAN INAUGURAL IN ENGLISH			
MONROVIA NEW LIBERIAN IN ENGLISH			
MONROVIA THE SUND PEOPLE IN ENGLISH			
MALI			
BAMAKO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	2.000		
BAMAKO L'ESSOR IN FRENCH			
MAURITANIA			
NOUAKCHOTT DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	3.350		
NOUAKCHOTT CHAAB IN FRENCH			
NIGER			
NIAMEY DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	2.560		
NIAMEY LE SAHEL IN FRENCH			
NIAMEY SAHEL HEBDO IN FRENCH			

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLICA- TIONS
NIGERIA			
LAGOS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	4,060		
LAGOS INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN ENGLISH	9,010		
KADUNA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	1,120		
NIGERIAN NEWS AGENCY (NAN) IN ENGLISH			16,490
RWANDA			
KIGALI DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH			
SENEGAL			
DAKAR DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	3,740		
DAKAR LE SOLEIL IN FRENCH			
SIERRA LEONE			
FREETOWN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	1,930		
FREETOWN DAILY MAIL IN ENGLISH			
TOGO			
LOME DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	4,290		
TOGO NOUVELLE MARCHE IN FRENCH			
UPPER VOLTA			
OUAGADOUGOU DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	1,150		
OUAGADOUGOU L'OBSERVATEUR IN FRENCH			
UNITED KINGDOM			
LONDON REUTER IN ENGLISH			1,190
LONDON REUTER IN FRENCH			
ZAIRE			
KINSHASA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN FRENCH	300		
KINSHASA AZAP IN FRENCH			5,110
KINSHASA ELINA IN FRENCH			
LUBUMBASHI NJUMBE IN FRENCH			