

MATA

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2 BY MR. ADEOGUN-PHILLIPS:

3 Q. Do you know what has become of General Gatsinzi today?

4 A. I know nothing in particular. I know that he is in Rwanda and that he is minister of defence in Rwanda.

5 Q. And he's minister of defence in Rwanda as we speak today, is it he not, sir?

6 A. I left Kigali to come and give evidence before this Court, and when I left Kigali, he was still minister of
7 defence. I don't know whether there have been any changes.

8 Q. Now, when you returned from Kigali in May 1994, you returned to ESO, did you see Captain
9 Nizeyimana who had been in charge of training and operations at the ESO?

10 A. When I returned to ESO from Kigali, Captain Nizeyimana was no longer at ESO. He only came there a
11 few times. He wasn't living there any more.

12 Q. Where had he gone? Were you able to ascertain his whereabouts following your return?

13 A. Captain Nizeyimana and 2nd Lieutenant Modeste Gatsinzi went to a place called Mata in Gikongoro
14 *préfecture*. There at Mata they trained *Interahamwe* and Burundians who were members of Palpehutu
15 and Frodebu parties. They were based in Mata.

16 MR. ADEOGUN-PHILLIPS:

17 Palpehutu is spelled P-A-L-P-E-H-U-T-U. Frodebu is spelled F-R-O-D-E-B-U.

18 BY MR. ADEOGUN-PHILLIPS:

19 Q. Mr. Witness, how did you come about the information that you've just told us about Captain Nizeyimana
20 and Modeste Gatsinzi's whereabouts in May 1994?

21 A. Captain Nizeyimana came to ESO camp himself. When he came, he came in order to obtain material,
22 equipment necessary for the training, basically petrol, food and ammunition used -- while training

23 trainees to handle guns. That is why he came to ESO. By the way, we spoke to one another and we
24 greeted one another. I also knew that he was at that location because when I left ESO fleeing, I met

25 2nd Lieutenant Modeste Gatsinzi I mentioned a while ago. We met at Gikongoro town. He was on
26 board a van with trainees from ESO *Nouvelle Formule*, that is, sergeants. We spoke to one another.

27 We were on good terms, and he, indeed, told me that he was based in Mata training the *Interahamwe* I
28 made mention of to you.

29 Q. Sir, what is it that you understand as *Interahamwe*?

30 A. Mr. President, Your Honours, in 1993 political parties in Rwanda had youth wings; each had a youth
31 wing. PL, PSD, MRND, all these parties had their youth wings. However, in April 1994, as far as I'm
32 concerned, the *Interahamwe* were killers. They were criminals, perpetrators of the acts that everyone is
33 aware of. As far as I'm concerned, *Interahamwe* were killers.

34 Q. And do you know if the people who were often referred to as *Interahamwe* were women or men, and if
35 so, do you know if they were from a certain age group?

36 A. There were old people called *Interahamwe*. I made mention of a man called Setiba who was an
37 *Interahamwe*. He was of -- he was a middle-aged person. But as far as I'm concerned, the

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