

APPENDEXES

1. Interviews with child ex-combatants¹

Gender:

Age:

Marital status:

Family status (has 2 parents, has one parent, has no parents, parent(s) in prison)

Educational level:

Date at the recruitment

Reason for recruitment:

Armed group belonged to:

Date at demobilization:

What was your latest rank in your armed group?

What were your main activities in your armed group?

Were your main activities different from those of other children in your armed group?

If yes, what were their activities?

What were the main activities of female children in your armed group?

Did you get any training in your armed group?

If yes, specify

Was your training different from those given to other children in your armed group?

If yes, specify

Were female children given same trainings?

If no, specify

How were you used to getting your food in your armed group?

How were you used to getting health cares in your armed group?

Were you paid in your armed group?

If yes, what was your latest monthly pay?

Disarmament and demobilization

How did you decide to disarm?

Did you encounter problems while disarming?

If yes, which problems?

Were these problems particular for you or they were specific to all children?

¹ Many respondents were child combatants at the time of demobilization but are not forcibly still children, because at the time of interview, they will be 18 or older. Information that they will provide with is not related to the experience as adults but, rather, to their experience as child combatants or child ex-combatants only.

How did you reach the demobilization center?

Was it easy for both male and female children to disarm and demobilize? Explain

Who were the demobilization actors?

How long did you stay in the demobilization center?

During the demobilization phase, were you separated from adult combatants or there was no distinction?

Explain

During the demobilization phase, were you given a demobilization package?

If yes, what was it comprised of and who gave you it?

What other services did you receive and from who in the demobilization center?

Did you have any training during the demobilization phase?

If yes, what were the main topics discussed?

How useful do you think those topics are for your life in your community?

Have you ever been asked whether you had a health (physiological, psychological) problem during the demobilization phase?

If yes, what problem(s) did you report and how was/were it/them addressed and by who?

Have you ever been invited to pass voluntarily an HIV/AIDS tracking test and by who?

If yes, did you pass it?

Were you asked whether you wanted to join your native community before being taken there during the demobilization phase?

Did you get any information about your family during the demobilization phase?

Did you have any particular concern which would have prevented you from joining your family or community?

If yes, what was it?

How did you reach your family or community?

Social reintegration²

How were you received in your family? Explain

How were you received in your community? Explain

What is your relationship with your family? Explain

What is your relationship with your community? Explain

Do members of your community know that you were a combatant in the DRC?

If yes, how do they treat you? Explain

How does it affect? Explain

Do you find any change in the way your community treats you since you have returned from the DRC?

Explain

² Some items for this section were drawn from a questionnaire used by Cock, *et al*(2003)

Are you studying or an apprentice?

If yes, which class are you attending or what are you being apprenticed to?

Who pays apprenticeship or school fees for you?

What are the main problems you encounter in your schooling or apprenticeship?

How well do you handle those problems?

If you are not studying or an apprentice, say why?

Have you ever get any assistance from the following categories since you have returned to your community?

- Your family
- Your neighbors
- NGO's
- Local government
- National Commission for Demobilization and reintegration

If any, specify who assisted you, how often, and what did the assistance consist of?

Are you a member of a church?

If yes, which is it and how active are you in its activities? Explain

Do you benefit from such activities? Explain

Are you a member of any community organization?

If yes, which is it and how active are you in its activities? Explain

Do you benefit from such activities? Explain

Do you have any income generating activity?

If yes, which is it and how much money you earn monthly?

Thank you for your time and responses!

2. Interviews with actors

Name of the organization:

Title (post) of respondent:

Is your organization (or community) involved in the process of disarmament, demobilization and reintegration of combatants in Rwanda?

If yes:

Which stage/phase of the process are you involved in?

What does your organization (community) intervention consist of?

What are other actors of the same process?

How is each phase of the process implemented?

Are child combatants separated from adults during the demobilization process?

Give details?

What are the main needs or concerns of the child ex-combatants that you have met so far if any?

What are the main needs or concerns of the girl child ex-combatants that you have met so far if any?

What are the challenges that you still have to take up in addressing the phenomenon of child combatants in Rwanda?

Do Rwandan child ex-combatants have serious health issues (physiological, psychosocial) problems?

If yes, what are they and how does your organization (or community) address them?

What is your organization (or community) doing for a sustainable reintegration of ex-child combatants? Please provide facts.

Does your organization or community have any specific program aimed at helping these formerly violent children to become peace builders in their communities? Please give details.

What are the main issues that your organization (or community) has experienced in the process of disarmament, demobilization and reintegration of child combatants and what are the strategies to address them? Please provide details.

Thank you for your time and responses!

3. Information sheet (if respondent is a minor)

My name is Interayamahanga Révérien, MA Sociology student at the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa.

I am conducting academic research regarding the process of disarmament, demobilisation and social reintegration of combatants in Rwanda. The purpose of my study is to investigate the process of disarmament, demobilization and social reintegration of Rwandan child combatants from the DRC.

.....has been chosen at random from other child ex-combatants to participate in the study. Overall, 30 persons including child ex-combatants and actors involved in the same process are included in the study.

Participation is voluntary and requires answering questions that I will askif both you and he/she say yes.

The interview will take him/her approximately one hour.

His/her answers will be kept confidential and will not be linked to him/her personally; they will be reported as a group.

He/she can refuse to answer any question or to stop the interview at any time without any reason.

Withdrawing from the interview will not result in any negative consequences for him/her.

Essentially his/her participation poses no risks to him/her.

By participating in this study, will be advocating in one way or another for awareness of and efficient interventions vis-à-vis issues encountered in the process of disarmament, demobilization and reintegration of child combatants, not only in Rwanda, but also worldwide.

Do you have any question?

Does..... have any question?

Do you wishto participate?

Does..... have any question?

Should you have any question related to this research after my departure, please contact Mr. Aggee Shyaka, the Dean of Social Sciences Faculty at Kigali Independent University (Tel: 502422) or Myself, Reverien Interayamahanga, Wits University, Johannesburg, South Africa, (Tel: 0027 731935356)

4. Information sheet (if respondent is not minor)

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Participation is voluntary and requires answering questions that I am going to ask you. The interview will take you approximately one hour.

Your answers will be kept confidential and will not be linked to you personally; they will be reported as a group.

You can refuse to answer any question or to stop the interview at any time without any reason. Withdrawing from the interview will not result in any negative consequences for you.

Essentially your participation poses no risks to you.

By participating in this study, you will be advocating in one way or another for awareness of and efficient interventions vis-à-vis issues encountered in the process of disarmament, demobilization and reintegration of child combatants, not only in Rwanda, but also worldwide.

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5. Informed consent form

I confirm that I have read (or I have been told) and understood the information sheet for the above study and have had the opportunity to ask questions.

I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time without giving any reason, and that my participation in the study has no risks for me.

I understand that my responses will be kept confidential and will not be linked to me personally.

I understand that by signing this consent form, I voluntarily agree to participate in the above study.

Respondent's name and signature.....

Date.....

Interviewer's name and signature.....

Date.....

6. Assent form

I confirm that I have read (or I have been told) and understood the information sheet for the above study and have had the opportunity to ask questions.

I understand that’s participation is voluntary and that s/he is free to withdraw at any time without giving any reason, and that his/her participation in the study has no risks for him/her.

I understand that’s responses will be kept confidential and will not be linked to him/her personally.

I understand that by signing this assent form, I voluntarily agree with to participate in the above study.

A copy of this form will be given to you to keep

Parent/Guardian’s name and signature.....

Date.....

Interviewer’s name and signature.....

Date.....

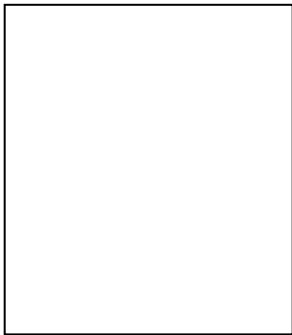
7. Documentation form for demobilised child

Name of child.....
Ref......

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DOCUMENTATION FOR DEMOBILISED CHILD

A: Child's Biographical Information



Name _____
Surname _____
Other names _____
Sex _____ Nationality _____
Date of birth/Age _____
Place of birth _____

Birthmarks _____

Father's name _____

Mother's name _____

Date of child's arrival at the centre _____

Address in Rwanda before recruitment into armed groups:

Province _____ District _____

Secteur _____ Cellule _____

Date and place of recruitment into armed groups _____

Last grade level at school _____ Place of school _____

Armed group he/she served: FDLR Mai ai RCD ma Mongoli FDD oth

Army number _____ Date of separation with armed group _____

Did you attend the rehabilitation course(ingando)? Yes No

If yes where _____

Name of foster parent/Relative to receive the child _____

Relation to the child. _____ Occupation _____

Illness or major disability (explain) _____

Child's aspirations _____

Name of
child.....
Ref......

Health Declaration.

The aim of declaration is to give the medical examiner a general history to determine the need for treatment or for other medical investigation to ensure the best health status of the younger people before returning to their families or caretakers. After medical examination you will get this form back to be kept for further references .

General

Name _____ Date of birth _____ Age _____

Name of father _____ Name of Mother _____

Family medical history

	Name	Age	Health condition	Comments
Father				
Mother				
Brother				
Sisters				
Children				

Medical History of child

Past medical Problems	Yes	No	If known, what kind of condition, which treatment, which response, where.
Did you have any skin problem?(allergies, fistulas, wounds)			
Are you often tired?			
Are you often nervous			
Do you often have headaches?			
Do you have any eyes, ears, and throat and/ or nose problem?			
Have you ever experienced long period of coughing?			
Have you ever suffered from TB?			
Have you ever had breathing problems?			
Have you ever had chest pain?			
Have you ever had stomach pain?			
Have you ever had back pain?			
Have you ever fainted?			
Do you have any problem regarding physical exercise?			
Have you visited a doctor, health facility in the last 6 months?			
Did you receive immunization?			
Have you ever had X-Ray?			
Do you smock? If yes, how often?			
Do you drink? If yes, how often?			
Do you take any other medicines or drugs? Which one? How much?			
Did you ever have health problem not mentioned above?			

Are there any other problems you think the doctor should know before (s) he examines you?

Date of the interview _____ Place of interview _____

Name of the interviewer _____ Organisation _____

Name of child.....
 Ref.....

C: Check List Regarding Resources and Health Check between child and doctor/nurse
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Name: _____ Registration Number: _____

Resources/ Health check Details	Place	Date	By whom
Child's health / anamnesis form filled out			
Medical examination by a medical doctor			
Medical examination by a nurse			
Blood pressure/pulse take			
Weight and height taken			
Voluntary HIV testing and counseling			
Blood test:			
Hemoglobin			
Haemoatocrit/Leukocytes			
VDRL			
HIV			
Urine: Blood			
Protein			
Pregnancy test			
Stool: Blood			
Ova and parasites			
Pre test counseling			
Post test counseling			
Follow up counseling and support			
Sensitive issues discussed			
Vermifuge (Deworming medicines)			
Vitamin A supplement given			
Health education sessions			
1. General hygiene			
2. HIV/AIDS Stepping-stones. Module			
2.1 Introduction and communication			
2.2 Perception and what is love			
2.3 Our prejudices/HIV/Condoms			
2.4 Our options/look deeper			
2.5 Support/assert ourselves			
2.6 Change ourselves/work together			
2.7 Prepare for the future			
2.8 Condoms available/issued			
3. Reproductive health issues			
3.1 Safe motherhood			
3.2 Sexual and gender based violence			
3.3 Sexual transmitted diseases(HIV)			
3.4 Family planning			
3.5 Other reproductive health concerns			
3.6 Reproductive health of young people			
4. Malaria prevention			
Symptom awareness education			
Mosquito nets /other kits issued			

Date of the interview_____ Place of
interview_____

Name of the interviewer_____ Name of the
organization_____

Name of child.....

Ref:

D: Life of child Before Recruitment

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Details of people the child lived with.

Name	Age	Relation	Profession	Address	Place of last contact	Date of last contact	Comment

Other members of the family

Name	Age	Relation	Profession	Address	Place of last contact	Date of last contact	Comment

Other people child knows in the neighborhood

Name	Age	Relation	Profession	Address	Place of last contact	Date of last contact	Comment

Name of child.....
Ref.....

E: History of Recruitment
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1. How did the child enter into the military group? _____

2. How old was the child when it happened? _____ 3. Where did it happen? _____
4. Why did the child join the military group?(Hunger, poverty, position, vengeance) _____

5. How did the child leave the military group? _____
6. Why did the child leave the military group? _____
7. What was your role in military group? _____
8. Details of other events the child remembers from experience in military group. Allow the child to speak and take note.

9. Is there a particular person the child would like to have traced? _____
10. Give the names and address. _____

Date of the interview _____ Place of
interview _____

Name of the interviewer _____ Name of the organization _____

Name of child.....
Ref:.....

G: Family/Home/Evaluation of the family

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Check/Answers if applicable

1. Child's mother is ___ deceased ___ Single ___ divorced ___ remarried ___ remarried with children ___
2. Child's father is ___ deceased ___ Single ___ divorced ___ remarried ___ remarried with children ___
3. If mother is remarried with children, No. of children ___ 4. If father is remarried with children, No. of children ___
5. Will the mother be able to accommodate the child? ___ If not, why?

6. Will the father be able to accommodate the child? ___ If not why?

7. Other family members willing and able to accommodate the child if parents are unable.
Relation _____
8. How many people are earning an income in the household? _____ 9. Monthly household income _____
- 10 Who are the income earners and what are their professions? _____
11. Dependants supported by the monthly household income, relation/age

12. Dependants currently enrolled in school. List names, age and level at school.

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13. Will the child have access to medical care? _____
14. Will the child have access to education? _____
15. Are there family conflicts that may disrupt child's reintegration? If so, explain _____

16. Are there any other problems that might hinder child's reintegration process? _____

Comments: _____

Date of the interview _____ Place of the interview _____

Name of the interviewer _____ Name of the organisation _____

Name of child.....

Ref:.....

F: Family-tracing

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1. Date of arrival at the centre _____
2. Name of mother _____
3. Name of Father _____
4. Does the child want his/her family traced? _____, If no why? _____

5. If yes, person (s) to be traced _____

6. Address:

Province _____ District _____

Sector _____ Cellule _____

7. Relationship to the child _____

8. The child accompanied by any siblings? Yes _____ No _____ (write name and age) _____

9. Was tracing successfully? Yes _____ No _____ Date of verification _____

Reaction of the family:

8. If the family trace nominated by the child resulted in a failure, are there any other family members Available? Is there a suitable replacement for the child? _____

Date of the interview _____ Place of interview _____

Name of interviewer _____ Name of the organisation _____

Name of the child.....
Ref:

H: Report of child' welfare

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1. Describe your everyday life at the centre

2. How has the child adjusted to his/her present situation and how has he/she integrated into it?

3. Has the child experienced any difficulties? Describe the changes in behavior and participation in activities _____

4. To what extent are the child's need being met and how? _____

5. Has any one informed you about your file progression and plans after leaving the transit centre? _____
6. What do you hope to do once you've returned to you family/primary carer/community? _____

7. Are there any particular circumstances we should know about before preparing your return? _____

8. What kind of support services will you need for your return home? _____

9. What are your likes and dislikes?

10. What are your future aspirations or fear for the future? _____

11. Do you have any problem concerning your experience in the military group? _____

12. Is there anyone you can confide in with your problem? What did the person do to help you? What were your thoughts afterwards?

13. Do you want to join military groups? If yes, why? _____

14. When was the last time you were depressed? Do you feel depressed often? How many times per week? ____

Why? _____

Allow the child to speak about any other concerns. Write down his/her account.

Comments:

Date of the interview _____ Place of the
interview _____

Name of the interviewer _____ Name of the organisation

Name of child.....

Ref:

I: Follow up Evaluation

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1.Name of the child_____ 2.Date of birth/age_____

3. Current address in Rwanda:

Province_____ District _____

Sector _____ Cellule _____

4. Name of principle carer _____ Relationship _____

5. Is the child still living with carer? If not why? Where has the child gone ?_____

CHILD’S REINTEGRATION- interview with child

6. Is the child treated differently from other children in the household? Yes /no

7. Child enrolled in school / vocational training /neither. If neither explain. _____

8. Are you working ? yes/no Profession? _____

9. Does the child engage in any group activities or sports within community? Yes/no

10. Does the child have any friend? Yes / no

11. Is the child in any special relationship? Yes / no

12. Does the child plan to be married? Yes / no

13. Has the child been sick since leaving the transit centre and how often? Yes / no.

Explain_____

14. Did the carer provide the child with medical care? Yes / no. Explain

15. Describe everyday life since your return

16. How do you see your future? What would you like to do?

Comments:

FAMILY RELATIONSHIP- interview with care taker

17. Are there any special concerns that you have since the child's return? Explain

18. Describe your everyday life with the child

19. Describe the child's relationship with other members in the household

20. Has the child ever confided any concerns with you? Yes / no If yes explain

21. Has the child expressed any anger? Yes / no why?

22. Does the people in the community treat the child differently? Yes / no
how_____

23. Has the child developed any special relationship with members in the household? Yes / no which
one?_____

24. Describe the child's behaviors around the house

Comments:

Date _____ Place of interview _____

Name of interviewer _____ Name of organisation _____

8. HANDOVER FORM FOR CHILD EX-COMBATANT/CERTIFICANT DE REMISE

REUNIFICATION

Child's name : _____ **Age :** _____

Nom de l'enfant. _____

Mother's name: _____

Father's name: _____

Place of origin: Province _____ **District:** _____

Sector: _____ **Cellule:** _____

Who was staying at/qui se trouvait à _____

Has been handed over by : _____ **(organization)**

A été remis par:

Full name: _____

Nom complet:

Relationship to child: _____

Lien avec l'enfant:

Present address Province: _____ **District:** _____

Adresse actuelle

Sector: _____ **Cellule:** _____

Occupation _____

Witnessing authority: Name _____ **Function** _____

Signature _____

9. Screening form for child ex-combatant

UKWEMERA UMWANA MU MURYANGO – IBYUMVIKANYWEHO

Nemeye kubwanjye ko ntwaye umwana uvugwa haruguru. Niyemeje gukora ibishoboka byose ngo uburenganzira bwe bwose bwubahirizwe muri uyu muryango, nta vangura iryo ari ryo ryose. Haramutse havutse ibibazo birebana n'ukwinjira kwe mu muryango, niyemeje ko nzabimenyesha vuba ubuyobozi buri hafi kugira ngo bikemurwemu buryo bushimishije.

Itariki n'aho bikorewe _____

Umukono w'uhawe umwana _____

Umukono w'umwana _____

Umukono w'umusosiyari _____

Umukono na kasha by'ubuyobozi bw'Akarere _____

10 . Child-combatant Identification Form

RWANDA DEMOBILISATION AND REINTEGRATION COMMISSION RUHENGERI CHILD EX-COMBATANT REHABILITATION CENTER CHILD EX-COMBATANT SCREENING

1. IKAZE

Nitwa.....nkaba ndi umwe mu bashinzwe kwakira no kwita ku bana bahoze mu gisirikare, by'umwihariko abitandukanyije n'imitwe yitwaza imbunda iba muri Congo. Urakaza neza iwanyu i Rwanda, urisanga, shyitsa umutima hamwe tukwakiranye urukundo, tukaba rero tugiye kugirana ikiganiro kigufi mu bwisanzure n'umutuzo, kugira ngo njye nawe turebere hamwe uko wasanga bagenzi bawe aho bari mu kigo cyabo kiba mu Mujyi wa Ruhengeri.

2. UMWIRONDORO

- a. Amazina.....
- b. Imyaka
- c. Igitsina
- d. Aho akomoka
Intara.....Akarere.....
Umurenge.....Akagaari.....
- e. Ise.....Aracyariho, Yego.....Oya.....
- f. Nyina.....Aracyariho, Yego.....Oya.....

3. ICYO YAKORAGA

- a. Aho yabaga.....
- b. Umutwe yabagamo.....
- c. Igihe yari ahamaze.....
- d. icyo yakoraga.....
- e. icyo yifuza.....

4. Hari icyo wumva by'umwihariko twakwitaho mbere y'uko usanga abandi bana aho bari mu kigo?

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5. Ngaho nguhaye urubuga ngo nawe ugire icyo wavuga mu byifuzo byawe dushobora kuba tutakomojeho muri iki kiganiro cyacu.

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6.GUSOZA

Nongeye kugushimira iki kiganiro tugiranye nkwiseza ko ibyo umaze kungezaho ari ingirakamaro, bizadufasha nje nawe; nongeye kuguha ikaze iwacu I Rwanda ni amahoro.

7. UMWANZURO

Nshingiye ku masezerano mpuzamahanga y'uburenganzira bw'umwana, amasezerano nyafurika ku burenganzira n'imibereho myiza by'umwana ndetse n'itegeko ry'u Rwanda No.27/2001 ryo kuwa 28 Mata 2001 ryerekeye uburenganzira bw'umwana n'uburyo bwo kumurinda ihohoterwa mu ngingo ya 1 n'ya 19 y'iryo tegeko, na none nshingiye ku myanzuro y'ikiswe Cape town principle and prevention of child recruitment, nkanashingira ku kiganiro maze kugirana n'umwana, ndetse n'ububasha mpabwa na Komisiyo Ishinzwe Gusezerera no Gusubiza mu Buzima Busanzwe Ingabo zavure ku rugerero(RDRC), ndemeza nta shiti ko uyu mwana yashyirwa mu rwego rw'abana bitandukanije n'abacengezi akanemererwa gusanga abandi bana mu kigo cyabagenewe kiri mu Muji wa Ruhengeri.

Byemejwe na :

Umusosiyari w'abana

Amazina.....
Akazi akora.....
Umukono.....
Itariki y'ikiganiro.....

Uhagarariye igitsina gore

Amazina.....
Akazi.....
Umukono.....
Itariki.....