



Communications for life

Rwanda Democratic Republic of Congo Mission

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Introduction :

In mid-January 2002, a terrible explosion of the Nyragongo volcano rocked the east of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Télécoms sans Frontières was contacted by the Red Cross to assist them in helping the stricken population. A team arrived in Kigali with a special Red Cross airplane on January 23rd at 9.00a.m. local time.





Because of security concerns for personnel and equipment, it was not possible to set up the equipment at the N'Kamira camp. On the other hand, a satellite telephone system and a visio emergency system were set up at the Mudende base. A Vivendi team whose task was to evaluate the water-needs also requested our assistance.



Furthermore, training was organized for future local operators.





Conclusion :

This mission was the first to be undertaken at the request of the Red Cross, who in turn offered TSF logistical assistance with accommodation and travel, including the international flights. The Red Cross offered TSF its thanks following the mission.

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Dear Mr. Cazenave,

let me take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation for the valuable contribution was made here in Rwanda and DRC during the relief operation Nyragongo Volcanic eruption by Your delegates in cooperation with the French Red Cross:

Bernard Bouilly, Philippe Herrero and Jean Claude Laurent did a very good job here.

We hope You will cooperate further with the Federation at Geneva and the field level.

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