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CLARIFICATIONS

Question 1

In the section Incident at the Municipal Hospital, in paragraph 34, we are told that "Four dead PAB soldiers were also found dead in the nearby Kebia Military College". The sentence raise the question whether the four dead PAB soldiers were killed during the cross fire or had already been dead when the first fire was shot. The significance lies within whether the AAF attacked the college or not and whether the PAB soldiers were truly taking refuge in the college.

Clarification: The sentence should read "Four PAB soldiers were found dead in the nearby Kebia Military College". The four PAB soldiers were not dead when the first shot was fired.

Question 2

In the paragraph 9, Neil Bing hired Ventures with the covert support of the Bethuisian government. We want to know several specific kinds of support Bethuisian government gave to Neil Bing.
(This is related to the time when the armed conflict turned to an IAC.)

Clarification: Sufficient information is given in the text.

Question 3

In the paragraph 18 and 20, some military staff met to plan Operation Thunderstorm. We want to know whether there was a hierarchy or leader-member relationship between them (Defense Minister, the Head of NIA, and General Reed) or their troops (AAF, NIA).
(This will make it clear whether General Reed is responsible for all the conducts of the military.)

Clarification: There was no superior-subordinate relationship between the Defense Minister, the Head of NIA and Reed. Their institutions were parallel to each other.

Question 4

In the paragraph 29, it is provided that the shells landed in areas 100m (from 200 up to 700m) from the target. We want to confirm whether the words “from 200 up to 700m” refer to the areas not the distances from the targets.

Clarification: Sufficient information is given in the text.

Question 5

In the paragraph 32, the Municipal Hospital was protected by Ventures staff. We are not clear who hired those Ventures guards. Moreover we want to confirm the “ten private security guards” in paragraph 34 refer to the Ventures guards.
(Who hired Ventures is related to the nature of the event happened in the Municipal Hospital.)

Clarification: The Ventures guards were hired by Neil Bing. Yes, the term "private security guards" in paragraph 34 refer to the Ventures guards.

Question 6

In the count two which General Reed faces, the date was said 20 July 2009. However in the paragraph 33 the date was 21 July 2009.

Clarification: In Count Two, the date should be corrected as 21 July 2009.