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## **EDUCATION**

6 years: Certified Elementary School Education in Goma at “Ecole Primaire d’Application de l’Institut de Goma (EPAIGO)”.  
6 years: High School Education in Goma at “Institut de Goma (Instigo)”. Qualified in Trades.  
2 years: University Education/ **Department of English and African Culture** in Bukavu South-Kivu at “Institut Supérieur Pédagogique de Bukavu (ISP)”.  
1 year: Certified Computer Science Training in Gisenyi, Rwanda.  
3 months: Certified Revenue Protection Training in Lemera, Kigali.

## **PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND**

For over 11 years : **Interpreter and Translator** for Western News Papers and Television stations all over the Congo:  
**Washington Post, New York Times, Los Angeles Times, Time Magazine, Associate Press (AP), European Broadcasting Union (EBU), BBC TV, Reuters, Stern Magazine, Roman Radical Radio,** among others.  
For 5 years : **Teacher of English and Business English** at “Saint Fidèle” and at “Ecole Secondaire Islamique des Sciences Economiques (ESISE)” in Gisenyi, Rwanda.  
For 5 years : **Executive Secretary** for the Congo Revenue Authority in Goma.  
For about 4 years : Coordinator - SOS DR Congo, a Human Rights Organization helping the Pygmies

## **IV. LANGUAGES**

\* **English:** (Fluent)  
\* **French:** (Fluent)  
\* **Swahili:** (Fluent)  
\* **Lingala:** (Good)  
\* **Mashi:** (Good)  
\* **Kinyarwanda:** (Good) among other dialects spoken in Congo.

### **References:**

*New York Times*, former Nairobi Bureau Chief: Marc Lacey  
*Washington Post*, Nairobi Bureau Chief: Stephanie McCrummen  
*Los Angeles Times*, Nairobi Bureau Chief: Edmund Sanders