



Eglise Methodiste d' Haiti

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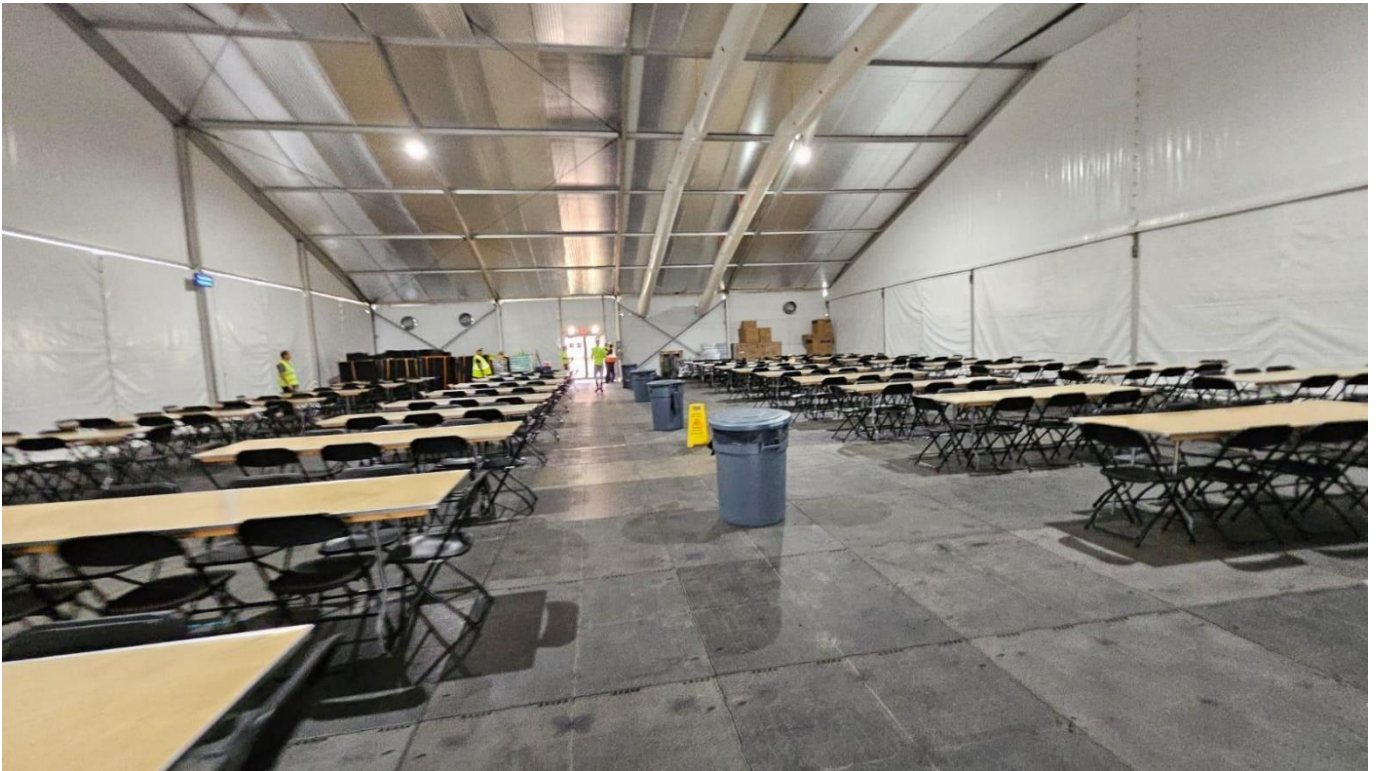
Kenyan Peacekeeping Force

The first group of the Kenyan peace keeping force of 400 troops has arrived at the Toussaint Louverture airport. They will be housed in facilities supplied by the US government. The quarters are located at the airport.

The police officers deployed to the UN-authorized Multinational Security Support (MSS) mission aims to help restore peace and stability. These officers, who will be reinforced by additional police and soldiers from other countries, were drawn from an elite force equipped with expertise in anti-gang operations and community policing.

The response from the entrenched gangs remains to be seen. There is a distinct possibility that gang members will simply retreat into the background and wait until the Multinational Security Support (MSS) completes their mission and return to Kenya. The other possibility is that the gangs will increase their resolve and increase the violence resulting in a more severe situation. Time will tell how effective the Multinational Security Support (MSS) will be.





Political Situation in Haiti

Newly appointed Prime Minister Garry Conille has urged the population to be patient and to cooperate with the National Police and the Multinational Security Support (MSS) in eliminating the gangs. The newly appointed Presidential Council seems to be function to achieve their goal of stability and an ultimate election for President of Haiti sometime next year.

Airline Service to Haiti

Sunrise Airways and American Airlines are operating one flight per day each from Miami to Port au Prince. Jet Blue is now flying from Ft Lauderdale to Port au Prince. Fares are higher than in the past but at least they are flying.

David's Travel Schedule

David is still in Springfield, Ill doing volunteer work at Midwest Mission but is planning to return to Haiti by the end of July. His return date depends on the reception of and the effectiveness of the Kenyan force and the Multinational Security Support (MSS).

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