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Uganda's State Minister for International relations, Henry Oryem Okello, has reiterated his country's commitment to continue pursuing efforts aimed at finding a regional solution to the eastern DRC conflict.

Early this week, a UN Group of Experts leaked a report to the media with allegations that Rwanda and Uganda are supporting the M23, a military rebellion in the neighbouring DRC.

Uganda is the current chair of the International Conference for the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR), which has championed regional efforts to resolve the crisis in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

"Uganda as the chair of ICGLR and neighbour remains fully committed to spearhead the regional efforts to ensure security and stability in eastern DRC as mandated by the ICGLR Heads of State and Government under the 2006 Pact on Security, Stability and Development in the Region," he told reporters. He said that the leaking of the report by the "Group of Experts" can only be in bad faith and intended to cause mischief and undermine the regional efforts to find a durable solution to the conflict in Eastern DRC.

Referring to the expanded Joint Verification Mechanism (JVM) which all the eleven ICGLR member states contributed officers, Okello said efforts were already on to verify and monitor accusations and counter accusations.