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- 1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY: ON 13 JUNE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE GEORGE MOOSE DISCUSSED THE SITUATIONS IN RWANDA AND SUDAN WITH UGANDAN PRESIDENT MUSEVENI WHILE BOTH WERE IN TUNIS FOR THE OAU SUMMIT. MUSEVENI SUPPORTED A/S MOOSE'S ASSERTION THAT INTERNATIONAL CROSS-BORDER ACTIVITIES TO PROTECT CIVILIANS MIGHT GAIN THE CONFIDENCE OF THE RPF AND FORESTALL THE ERUPTION OF

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE REVIEW AUTHORITY: ARCHIE M BOLSTER CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL REASON: 1.4(B), 1.4(D)

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3. A/S MOOSE TOLD MUSEVENI THAT HE BELIEVED THE PROTECTION OF THREATENED POPULATIONS IN RWANDA WAS VITAL TO BRINGING PEACE TO THAT COUNTRY AND PREVENTING PARALLEL MASSACRES IN BURUNDI. AN INTERNATIONAL FORCE WHICH WAS SEEN AS IMPARTIALLY PROTECTING CIVILIANS MIGHT GAIN THE CONFIDENCE OF THE RWANDA PATRIOTIC FRONT (RPF) AND THE RWANDA GOVERNMENT. BOTH MOOSE AND MUSEVENI AGREED THAT THIS MIGHT OVERCOME RPF OPPOSITION TO INTERNATIONAL ACTION WHICH THE RPF HAS INTERPRETED AS A FRENCH-INSPIRED PLAN TO RESCUE THE CURRENT REGIME. IF THE RPF OBSERVED THAT TUTSI LIVES WERE BEING PROTECTED IT MIGHT BE MORE INCLINED TO STOP ITS ADVANCE. MOOSE CONFIDENTIAL

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WENT ON TO ASSERT THAT IF THE SITUATION IN RWANDA WERE
STABILIZED - POSSIBLY LEADING TO A CEASE-FIRE - THE
LIKELIHOOD OF A "CONTAGION EFFECT" CAUSED BY RWANDAN
REFUGEES IN BURUNDI MIGHT BE LESSENED CONSIDERABLY.
MUSEVENI AGREED THAT SUCH A FORCE COULD CONDUCT
CROSS-BORDER HUMANITARIAN INTERVENTIONS FROM UGANDA AND
ACCEPTED A/S MOOSE'S REQUEST TO ATTEMPT TO ENLIST OTHER
REGIONAL LEADERS, SPECIFICALLY THE INTERIM PRESIDENT OF
BURUNDI.

4. MUSEVENI THANKED A/S MOOSE FOR HELPING HIM SEE THE PICTURE MORE CLEARLY. THE PRESIDENT AGREED THAT PROTECTING CIVILIANS OF ALL ETHNIC GROUPS WAS KEY TO GAINING RPF TRUST. HE CAUTIONED THAT WHATEVER ACTION WAS TAKEN IT SHOULD AIM FOR ESTABLISHING PEACE WHILE DEEP-SEATED POLITICAL PROBLEMS ARE ADDRESSED. IT SHOULD NOT DEGENERATE INTO A "UNOSOM-AIDEED TYPE" CONTEST.

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5. MUSEVENI SAID THAT BOTH THE RPF AND THE SOUTHERN PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY (SPLA) WERE POORLY EQUIPPED AND

UNABLE TO FIGHT A "QUICK WAR." BOTH PRACTICED SURGING", WHEREBY THEY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE TERRAIN TO SURROUND THE ENEMY, DRAW HIM OUT, AND BEAT HIM BACK. THEY WERE ABLE TO INFLICT CASUALTIES BUT NOT ABLE TO ACHIEVE CONCLUSIVE RESULTS. RECOUNTING HIS DISCUSSION WITH PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY WELLS, MUSEVENI VERBALLY SKETCHED HIS DECISION TREE FOR SUDAN. IF THE CONFLICT CONFIDENTIAL

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IS TO BE SOLVED POLITICALLY, THE PARTIES MUST BEGIN WITH
A CEASE-FIRE, MOVE TO NEGOTIATIONS, AND CONCLUDE WITH A
REFERENDUM OR ELECTIONS. IF THE PARTIES CHOOSE A
MILITARY SOLUTION, NEITHER SIDE (ESPECIALLY THE SPLA)
SHOULD BE HANDICAPPED BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.
A/S MOOSE SAID THAT THIS IS THE CRUX OF THE DEBATE IN
THE U.S. ABOUT THE BOSNIA ARMS BOYCOTT. MUSEVENI OPINED
THAT IF BOTH SIDES KNEW THAT THE OTHER HAD ACCESS TO
ARMS EACH WOULD BE MORE WILLING TO RESOLVE THE DISPUTE
AT THE CONFERENCE TABLE. IF THE AGGRESSOR KNEW HIS
RIVAL HAD LIMITED ACCESS TO ARMS HE WOULD BE MORE
INCLINED TO A MILITARY SOLUTION.

6. IN RESPONSE, A/S MOOSE SAID THAT THE USG WANTED TO TEST GOS PROFESSED DESIRE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PEACE PROCESS.

MOOSE SAID
THAT THE U.S. WOULD LIKE TO SEE MEANINGFUL INTERNATIONAL SANCTIONS - BEGINNING WITH AN ARMS EMBARGO - TAKEN AGAINST WHICHEVER PARTY WAS NOT INTERESTED IN A

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- 7. A/S MOOSE DID NOT CLEAR THIS MESSAGE.
- 8. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.

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