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KAMPALA FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY MOOSE AND AMBASSADOR CARSON FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR TAGS: PREL, PGOV, PINR, RW SUBJECT; NEGOTIATIONS SLIDE INTO LONG WEEKEND

- 1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.
- IN VIEW OF YOUR 4/4 MEETING WITH MUSEVENI, I

WANTED TO GET YOU THE LATEST FROM HERE ON THE STATE OF NEGOTIATIONS TOWARD ESTABLISHMENT OF TRANSITION INSTITUTIONS. A ROUND OF GOOD FRIDAY CALLS TO OBSERVERS, THE UN AND KEY PLAYERS SUGGESTS THAT THE CONFIDENTIAL

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PAGE 02 01458 01 OF 02 011542Z KIGALI SIDES ARE INCHING TOWARDS EACH OTHER, BUT AFRAID TO MAKE THE FINAL OFFER. MANY OBSERVERS BELIEVE INSTALLATION OF INSTITUTIONS WILL HAVE TO AWAIT THE ARUSHA SUMMIT ON BURUNDI.

## THE CDR ISSUE

INTERNAL OPPOSITION PARTIES TOLD ME 3/31 THAT IF THE PRESIDENT WERE TO MAKE A CLEAR CUT DECLARATION THAT ADMISSION OF THE CDR TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WAS THE LAST ISSUE INHIBITING INSTALLATION OF THE INSTITUTIONS, THEY WOULD LOBBY FOR CDR. RPF TOLD AMBASSADOR TAMBWE THE SAME DAY THAT, IF THEY GOT FORMAL ASSURANCES FROM THE PRESIDENT THAT CDR WAS THE LAST ISSUE AT STAKE, THEY WOULD TAKE A LOOK AT THEIR POSITION. AS OF NOW, THEIR POSITION IS THAT THE CDR MUST WAIT A MONTH OR TWO BEFORE THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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ACTS ON ITS APPLICATION TO JOIN. MEANWHILE, IN SPITE OF THE ASSASSINATION OF ONE OF ITS YOUTH LEADERS, CDR CONTINUES TO URGE ITS PARTISANS TO BE PATIENT. KIGALI HAS REMAINED RELATIVELY QUIET WITH DAILY TRAFFIC AT USUAL LEVELS. THE NIGHT OF 3/31 DID, HOWEVER, OFFER UP SEVERAL GRENADE EXPLOSIONS AND SOME GUNSHOTS. THERE IS ONE REPORTED FATALITY AMONGST YOUTH WHO WERE REPORTEDLY TAUNTING GUARDS AT THE PRESIDENCY LATE AT NIGHT AND DREW THEIR FIRE.

## IS CDR THE LAST ISSUE?

4. OVER THE LAST THREE DAYS, I HAVE CONCENTRATED MY DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS ON PRESIDENTIAL COUNSELORS. I CONFIDENTIAL

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PAGE 03 KIGALI 01458 01 OF 02 REMINDED THEM THAT OUR SUPPORT FOR EQUITY TO ALL PARTIES, INCLUDING THE CDR, DERIVES FROM OUR SUPPORT FOR THE ARUSHA PEACE ACCORD. ALL OTHER CURRENT DISPUTES ARE INTERPARTY QUESTIONS THAT SHOULD BE RESOLVED AFTER THE INSTITUTIONS HAVE BEEN PUT IN PRESIDENTIAL CABINET DIRECTOR RUHIGIRA SAID PLACE. THAT THE CDR WAS THE LAST OUTSTANDING SUBSTANTIVE ISSUE FOR THE PRESIDENT. HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT THE PRESIDENT DID NOT CONTROL PARTY SENTIMENT. PRESIDENTIAL COUNSELOR RUNYINYA ELABORATED THE LINKS BETWEEN ELECTION OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT AND A POSSIBLE REVOLT BY PL MUGENZI OVER INSTALLATION OF MINISTERS. ACCORDING TO RUNYINYA, IF MUGENZI'S CANDIDATE, FORMER MINISTER OF JUSTICE MBONAMPEKA, WINS EITHER THE PRESIDENCY OR THE VICE PRESIDENCY OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, MUGENZI WILL BE SATISFIED. MBONAMPEKA LOSES BOTH OFFICES, MUGENZI WILL NOT FEEL ADEQUATELY REWARDED FB HAVING GIVEN UP THE JUSTICE MINISTRY TO HIS PARTY OPPONENT, MINISTER NDASINGWA. MUGENZI WOULD THEN PROBABLY CALL FOR A SUSPENSION OF THE INSTALLATION CEREMONY FOR GOVERNMENT. MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (THE PRESIDENT'S RECENT ENVOY TO WESTERN CAPITALS AND THE UNITED NATIONS) SAID ALL WOULD BE WELL WITH THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ONCE THE CDR WERE ADMITTED, BUT OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS MIGHT STILL TROUBLE THE FORMATION OF GOVERNMENT. I MADE IT CLEAR TO ALL THE ABOVE THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY CONSIDERED THE INSTALLATION CEREMONY TO BE ONE AND INDIVISIBLE. PRESIDENT AND THE POLITICAL PARTIES SHOULD GO TO THAT CEREMONY PREPARED TO COMPLETE IT WITHOUT FURTHER CONFIDENTIAL

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5. WE BELIEVE THAT THE CDR ISSUE IS THE ONE REMAINING REAL IMPEDIMENT TO PUTTING THE INSTITUTIONS IN PLACE. IF THE PRESIDENT GETS SATISFACTION ON THAT, HE WILL CARRY THROUGH WITH THE INSTALLATION, BUT THE PRESIDENCY IS WAITING FOR RPF TO BUDGE. EACH PARTY IS AFRAID TO MAKE FINAL COMMITMENT FOR FEAR OF LOSING ADVANTAGE. BOTH TANZANIAN AMBASSADOR AND GERMAN AMBASSADOR (CURRENT PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEANS) BELIEVE THAT THE INSTITUTIONS WILL NOT BE

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ESTABLISHED UNTIL PRESIDENT HABYARIMANA GETS BACK FROM THE ARUSHA SUMMIT ON BURUNDI. OUR MAJOR FEAR IS THAT THE RELATIVE CALM WHICH HAS CHARACTERIZED KIGALI THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS WILL NOT HOLD UNTIL THEN. I

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HAVE URGED ALL MY INTERLOCUTORS TO USE EVERY INFLUENCE AT THEIR DISPOSAL TO ENCOURAGE CALM AS WE APPROACH THIS LAST TURN ON THE COURSE.

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