

# Rwandan government, rebels delay signature of truce accord

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ARUSHA, Tanzania, July 13 (AFP) - Last-minute bargaining between the Rwandan government and rebels delayed the signature of a truce accord as talks between the two sides went into an unscheduled fourth day Monday, delegates said.

"Negotiations are continuing but we expect the truce accord to be signed," a delegate told AFP as closed-door talks between the rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) and the government continued in this northern Tanzanian town.

The talks were to have ended Sunday, when the rebels and the government agreed on a truce to take effect a week later. The delegates declined to indicate what the sticking points

were in signing a formal accord.

The RPF and the government, locked in a guerrilla war since October 1990 when the rebels invaded northern Rwanda from neighbouring Uganda, also agreed that the truce would be monitored by military observers from Nigeria, Senegal, Zimbabwe and representatives of the government and the rebels.

The three foreign countries are to send 10 observers each, while the government and the RPF are each to provide five truce monitors.

The talks, mediated by Tanzania, were a follow-up to an earlier round of discussions in Paris last month.

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