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Juvenal Habyarimana announced Sunday that Rwanda

will become a multi-party state by June.

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In an address to parliament, Major General Habyarimana said: `Let those making arrangements for the multi-party process act with speed so that we can have several political parties by June 2,'' state-run Radio Rwanda reported.

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The radio said Maj. Gen. Habyarimana made the announcement while presenting a report to parliament on views collected by a Commission on Multiparty Democracy in Rwanda. The radio quoted the Rwandese president as warning that the parties 'must be formed to build, promote unity and development, and not to destroy.'

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Plans for multi-party reforms by 1992 were accelerated by the October 1 invasion of Rwanda by about 1,500 rebels of the Rwanda Patriotic Front, who have lived as refugees in Uganda for nearly three decades after they fled tribal warfare at home in the early 1960s.

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The rebels have accused the Habyarimana regime in Kigali of abuse of power, political favouritism and human rights abuses.

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The rebels deny that their mission is tribal, although the majority of them—who now conduct a hit and run bush guerrilla war against the Rwandan Government forces in the north—are members of the minority Tutsi tribe.

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