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AMEMBASSY DAKAR

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WHITEHOUSE PASS TO NSC FOR RICE AND STEINBERG;  
JOINT STAFF FOR CHAIRMAN, DIR JS, J3;  
SECDEF FOR OSD/ISA  
PARIS FOR PERLOW

E.O.12356: DECL:OADR

TAGS: MARR, PREL, PHUM, MOPS, FR, RW, UN

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SUBJECT: RWANDA: 18 JUL 94 SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT

2. UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL GHARAKHAN BRIEFED THE COUNCIL JULY 18 ON THE DETERIORATING HUMANITARIAN SITUATION IN RWANDA. ACCORDING TO A REPORT FROM THE UN'S DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS (DHA), OVER ONE MILLION RWANDANS HAD CROSSED INTO ZAIRE BY 1245 LOCAL TIME 17 JULY. THE SHELLING OF GOMA'S AIRPORT, REPORTEDLY THE WORK OF THE RPF, RESULTED IN ITS TEMPORARY CLOSURE. DHA'S REPORT ALSO WARNED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF A MASS INFLUX OF REFUGEES FROM THE HUMANITARIAN ZONE INTO ZAIRE IN THE EVENT OF A FRENCH DEPARTURE. CURRENTLY, 2.5-3 MILLION PEOPLE ARE ESTIMATED TO BE IN THE ZONE.

3. GHARAKHAN ADDED THAT WHILE UNAMIR CANNOT CONFIRM THE CEASE FIRE, THE WAR DOES APPEAR TO BE OVER. RPF GENERAL KAGAME ASSURED UNAMIR THAT THE RPF WAS NOT RESPONSIBLE  
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FOR THE MORTAR ATTACK ON REFUGEES IN GOMA YESTERDAY, AND PROMISED TO RESPECT THE FRENCH HUMANITARIAN ZONE. HE SAID THAT RWANDANS WHO HAVE NOT COMMITTED ATROCITIES ARE WELCOME TO RETURN TO THEIR HOMES.

3. SECURITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT MARKER READ A LETTER FROM THE RPF INFORMING THE SECURITY COUNCIL THAT THE WAR WAS OVER AND THAT PASTEUR BIZIMUNGU WOULD BE INAUGURATED PRESIDENT OF RWANDA JULY 19.

4. AMBASSADOR ALBRIGHT REMINDED THE COUNCIL OF THE 15 JULY WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT WITHDRAWING U.S. RECOGNITION OF RWANDA'S INTERIM GOVERNMENT. SHE SAID IT WAS INTENDED TO SEND A FORCEFUL SIGNAL OF USG DISAPPROVAL OF IGOR ACTIONS, AND CALLED FOR QUICK ACTION TO ESTABLISH A WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL.

5. FRENCH DEPUTY PERMREP CONFIRMED THAT FOUR MEMBERS OF THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT HAD FLED THE SAFE ZONE FOR ZAIRE. HE ALSO ASKED FOR UN CONFIRMATION OF THE CEASEFIRE AND CALLED FOR A NEW GOVERNMENT IN THE SPIRIT OF THE ARUSHA AGREEMENT.

6. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.

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