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SUBJECT: RWANDA: WESTERN SUPPORT FOR U.S. POLICY OBJECTIVES

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2. IN VIEW OF THE CONTINUING MASSACRES IN RWANDA LARGELY BEING PERPETRATED BY HUTU GANGS ("IRREGULAR MILITIA") UNDER GOR CONTROL AGAINST INNOCENT TUTSI CIVILIANS AND HUTU MODERATES, DEPARTMENT REQUESTS THAT ACTION ADDRESSEES APPROACH HOST GOVERNMENTS AT THE HIGHEST APPROPRIATE LEVELS TO REQUEST THAT THEY CONTACT RWANDAN ARMY MILITARY AND GOR POLITICAL FIGURES TO INSIST THE MASSACRES CEASE IMMEDIATELY. IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY APPEARANCE OF IMBALANCE, HOST GOVERNMENT ADDRESSEES SHOULD ALSO CONTACT KEY RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT (RPF) LEADERS TO CALL FOR AN IMMEDIATE CEASEFIRE. WE LEAVE TO THE JUDGMENT OF HOST GOVERNMENTS THE MODE OF SUCH APPEALS BUT THE U.S. BELIEVES A COMBINATION OF PRIVATE CONTACTS TIED TO PUBLIC STATEMENTS OFFERS THE BEST CHANCE FOR THE MESSAGE TO BE HEARD AND HEDED. FOR OUR PART, WE ARE MAKING EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT TO REACH KEY GOR MILITARY IN RWANDA (AS WELL AS RPF) AND WE HAVE MADE THE APPEAL TO SEVERAL KEY RWANDAN POLITICAL LEADERS IN NAIROBI.

3. WHILE THE FIRST PRIORITY IS TO STOP THE MASSACRES  
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WHICH HAVE RESULTED, ACCORDING TO THE ICRC IN AT LEAST 100,000 DEATHS, THE DEPARTMENT HAS ESTABLISHED A BROADER FRAMEWORK TO TAKE OTHER STEPS WHICH ARE ALSO ESSENTIAL. THESE INCLUDE:

--PRESSING THE GOR AND RPF AND KEY REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS TO RETURN TO THE ARUSHA ACCORDS NEGOTIATING FRAMEWORK (THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT HAS CONVENED THE PARTIES AND OBSERVERS TO ARUSHA TO MEET IN DAR ES SALAAM APRIL 30);

--ENCOURAGING RWANDA'S NEIGHBORS, ESPECIALLY UGANDA AND TANZANIA AS WELL AS THE UN AND OAU IN THEIR EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE A CEASEFIRE.

--BEGIN COORDINATION WITH PRINCIPAL DONORS ON DELIVERY OF HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO THE AFFLICTED POPULATIONS.

DEPARTMENT REQUESTS ACTION ADDRESSEES ENCOURAGE HOST GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE PARALLEL ACTIONS.

4. IT IS ALSO ESSENTIAL TO ASSURE THAT THE CONFLICT IN RWANDA NOT SPREAD TO NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES. ACTION ADDRESSEE HOST GOVERNMENTS SHOULD BE URGED TO DEMARCHE COUNTRIES NEIGHBORING RWANDA TO COUNSEL NON-INVOLVEMENT

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IN THE RWANDAN CONFLICT. ADDRESSEE POSTS SHOULD ALSO URGE THEIR HOST GOVERNMENTS TO CONSIDER SENDING HIGH-LEVEL VISITORS TO BURUNDI TO URGE CONTINUED CALM THERE AS WELL AS EMISSARIES TO RWANDA'S OTHER NEIGHBORS TO REINFORCE OUR MESSAGE DEMANDING AN IMMEDIATE END TO THE KILLING, THE IMPOSITION OF A CEASEFIRE AND REVIVAL OF THE ARUSHA NEGOTIATIONS FRAMEWORK, AND DELIVERY OF HUMANITARIAN

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5. FOR PARIS: FRENCH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON FAXED DEPARTMENT APRIL 27 THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN'S APRIL 26 RESPONSE TO A QUESTION ON RWANDA. WE FOUND THE REPLY ON THE MARK AND URGE ITS WIDEST DISSEMINATION IN RWANDA AND ITS NEIGHBORS.

6. FOR PARIS AND BRUSSELS: FRENCH HAVE ALSO TOLD US THAT THEY FOUND ACCEPTABLE PROPOSAL FOR A TRILATERAL MEETING ON RWANDA, BURUNDI, AND ZAIRE AGREED TO FOR MAY 13. DE LA SABLIERE HAD REQUESTED THAT THE MEETING BE HELD IN EITHER PARIS OR BRUSSELS. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION IN RWANDA, U.S. BELIEVES A TRILATERAL MEETING SHOULD BE HELD PRIOR TO MAY 13. WE WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO MEET EITHER IN WASHINGTON, BRUSSELS OR PARIS. POSTS SHOULD INFORM DEPARTMENT OF HOSTS' PREFERENCES ON DATE AND VENUE ASAP.

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