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- 1. (C) ON APRIL 5 THE SECURITY COUNCIL PASSED RESOLUTION 909 EXTENDING UNAMIR'S MANDATE UNTIL JULY THE TEXT OF THE RESOLUTION IS IN REFTEL. 29. (C) DURING THE SECURITY COUNCIL INFORMALS, AMBASSADOR INDERFURTH SAID THAT WASHINGTON RELUCTANTLY AGREED TO LENGTHENING THE MANDATE PERIOD FROM JUNE 9 AS DRAFTED IN THE PERM-5 TEXT TO JULY 29 AS AGREED TO BY THE WORKING GROUP. AT THE SAME TIME, HOWEVER, AMBASSADOR INDERFURTH SAID THE US WOULD TAKE SERIOUSLY NOT JUST THE JULY 29 MANDATE DEADLINE BUT ALSO THE SIX-WEEK REVIEW. IF THERE IS NOT SUFFICIENT POLITICAL PROGRESS AT THAT TIME, HE SAID WASHINGTON WILL SERIOUSLY CONSIDER MOVING TO CLOSE DOWN THE OPERATION. "IT IS PRUDENT THAT THE PARTIES NOT READ THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S DECISION TO EXTEND THE MANDATE AS A SIGN OF NEVERENDING PATIENCE. THIS WOULD BE AN INCORRECT INTERPRETATION,"
 - 3. (U) FOLLOWING THE UNAMINOUS ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION IN FORMAL SESSION, AMBASSADOR INDERFURTH CONFIDENTIAL

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MR. PRESIDENT,

INDERFURTH OBSERVED

THE UNITED STATES HAS SUPPORTED THE PEACE PROCESS IN RWANDA FROM THE VERY BEGINNING. WE ARE CONCERNED, HOWEVER, OVER THE CONTINUING DELAYS IN INSTALLING THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS. FOR THIS REASON, WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S DECISION TO LIMIT THE EXTENSION OF UNAMIR'S MANDATE AND TO REVIEW WITHIN 6 WEEKS THE PROGRESS MADE BY THE PARTIES TOWARD IMPLEMENTING THE ARUSHA ACCORDS, AND THE ROLE OF THE UNITED NATIONS, INCLUDING UNAMIR'S FUTURE.

WE BELIEVE THAT UNAMIR HAS PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN KEEPING THE PEACE IN RWANDA UNDER DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES. THE UNAMIR FORCES SHOULD BE COMMENDED FOR THEIR SERVICE. THE CONTINUING POLITICAL IMPASSE, HOWEVER, HAS MADE UNAMIR'S MISSION THAT MUCH MORE DIFFICULT AND CONTRIBUTED TO THE DETERIORATING SECURITY SITUATION IN RWANDA. THE DELAYS ARE POISONING A PEACE PROCESS INTENDED TO BUILD TRUST BETWEEN THE PARTIES AND SHOW THAT COMPROMISE CAN BE MORE FRUITFUL THAN CONFRONTATION. IN SHORT, AS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL SAID

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IN HIS REPORT ON RWANDA: "THE PROLONGED DELAY IN PUTTING THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN PLACE...POSE(S) A THREAT TO THE PEACE PROCESS." AS ONE

WE WANT TO HELP RWANDA ACHIEVE STABILITY. MEASURE OF THAT ASSISTANCE, THE US GOVERNMENT IS CURRENTLY EXAMINING VARIOUS WAYS TO ASSIST THE DEMINING EFFORTS ONCE POLITICAL CONDITIONS PERMIT.

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MR. PRESIDENT,

THE ARUSHA ACCORDS WERE JUSTIFIABLY HAILED AS AN HISTORIC ACHIEVEMENT IN REGIONAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION. THE ACCORDS PROVIDE THE BLUEPRINT FOR TRANSITION TO FULL DEMOCRACY AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND MUST BE FULLY AND EXPEDITIOUSLY IMPLEMENTED IN THEIR ENTIRETY.

THE PARTIES IN RWANDA ARE VERY CLOSE TO REACHING AGREEMENT ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS. WE CALL ON ALL SIDES IN THE POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS TO REDOUBLE THEIR EFFORTS AND ACT IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST TO PUT THE TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT IN PLACE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT THE RWANDAN PEOPLE WILL FINALLY KNOW PEACE AND SECURITY.

THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT.

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