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RESOLUTION ON RWANDA

1. ECOSOC ENDORSED THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION SPECIAL SESSION RESOLUTION ON RWANDA WITHOUT A VOTE DURING A 45-MINUTE MEETING JUNE 6. (TEXT OF ECOSOC DECISION IS FOUND IN PARA 2. U.S., GREECE FOR EU, CANADA, RUSSIA, NORWAY FOR THE NORDICS, PAKISTAN, AND JAPAN GAVE SUPPORTIVE STATEMENTS BEFORE THE VOTE, MANY NOTING THE POSITIVE PARTS PLAYED BY CANADA, CAMEROON, AND NIGERIA IN GENEVA. (SEE PARA 6 FOR TEXT OF U.S. STATEMENT.) CUBA ALSO SPOKE BEFORE THE VOTE, DEPLORING

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THE SITUATION IN RWANDA AND UNDERLINING THE NEED FOR UN ACTION, BUT DECRYING THE LINKAGES BETWEEN HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNCTIONS CUBA BELIEVES SHOULD BE RESERVED TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL. AFTER THE VOTE, CHINA REITERATED ITS STATEMENT AT THE UNHRC. RUSSIA AND NORWAY JOINED THE U.S. IN HIGHLIGHTING THE NEED TO BRING GROSS VIOLATORS OF HUMAN RIGHTS TO JUSTICE.

2. TEXT OF ECOSOC DECISION:

THE SITUATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN RWANDA

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL ENDORSES RESOLUTION S-3/1 OF 25 MAY 1994, ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AT ITS THIRD SPECIAL SESSION.

3. THE STATEMENT OF PROGRAMME BUDGET IMPLICATIONS (PBI) WAS DISTRIBUTED JUST BEFORE THE MEETING (FAXED TO IO/ESA). THE SUMMARY PARAGRAPH READS AS FOLLOWS:

"SHOULD ECOSOC APPROVE RESOLUTION 1994/S-3/1, IT IS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ESTIMATED THAT ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF \$754,700 WOULD ARISE UNDER SECTION 21 OF THE PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1994-1995. FURTHERMORE, AN AMOUNT OF \$93,800 WOULD BE REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 28 (STAFF ASSESSMENT) TO BE OFFSET BY THE SAME AMOUNT UNDER INCOME SECTION 1 (INCOME FROM STAFF ASSESSMENT.)

4. THE PBI REFERS TO THE CONTINGENCY FUND, BUT NOTES THAT "NO ACTIVITY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED FOR TERMINATION, DEFERRAL, CURTAILMENT OR MODIFICATION UNDER SECTION 21 OF THE PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1994-95." IT ALSO NOTES THAT, "SHOULD IT NOT PROVE POSSIBLE TO MEET THE COSTS REQUIRED FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND, THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESOLUTION MAY HAVE TO BE POSTPONED, AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE GUIDELINES FOR THE USE AND OPERATION OF THE CONTINGENCY FUND . . . ."

5. USUN UNDERSTANDS THE LANGUAGE IN PARA 4 ABOVE TO BE STANDARD. IT DOES NOT PREJUDICE THE LIKELIHOOD OF THE RWANDAN MANDATE BEING FINANCED FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND. WE EXPECT THE CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS WILL HAVE TO OUTLAY FUNDS PROGRAMMED FOR OTHER MANDATES WITH THE STRONG EXPECTATION THAT THE RWANDAN MANDATE WILL BE FULLY FUNDED BY THE CONTINGENCY FUND OR THROUGH THE

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REDEPLOYMENT OF RESOURCES.

6. HERE IS TEXT OF U.S. STATEMENT TO ECOSOC, DELIVERED BY ECOSOC MINISTER-COUNSELLOR JOHN BLANEY:

THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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SINCE APRIL 6, OVER 200,000 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN HUNTED DOWN AND KILLED IN POLITICALLY-MOTIVATED ETHNIC VIOLENCE AND POSSIBLE ACTS OF GENOCIDE. HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS MORE HAVE BEEN FORCED TO FLEE TO NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES.

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY MUST WORK TO BRING SOLACE TO THE SUFFERING POPULATION OF RWANDA. TO THIS END, MY DELEGATION FULLY SUPPORTS THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION IN SPECIAL SESSION. THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAS SEVERAL IMMEDIATE TASKS: TO STOP THE KILLING, ACHIEVE A CEASE-FIRE, PROVIDE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF, FACILITATE MEANINGFUL NEGOTIATIONS AND ASSIST IN INVESTIGATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS ATROCITIES. BUT THE WORLD COMMUNITY MUST ALSO CONSIDER STEPS THAT WILL PERMIT LONG-TERM RECONCILIATION, AND REPAIR THE DAMAGE THAT THIS CARNAGE HAS DONE TO THE MORAL AND LEGAL FABRIC OF OUR WORLD.

THIS IS WHY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT STRONGLY SUPPORTED HIGH COMMISSIONER AYALA LASSO'S RECOMMENDATION AND THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA'S CALL FOR THE UNHRC SPECIAL SESSION ON RWANDA, AND WHY WE LOOK FORWARD TO

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WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU TO DO WHAT WE MUST AT THIS  
CRUCIAL MOMENT. WE COMMEND THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR  
HIS COURAGEOUS VISIT TO RWANDA LAST MONTH.

WE WELCOME THE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE SECURITY  
COUNCIL, THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS, THE UN  
HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES, GENERAL DALLAIRE AND HIS  
STAFF AND FORCES, THE UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN  
RIGHTS AND SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE BOOH-BOOH TOWARD  
ADDRESSING THIS MULTIFACETED DISASTER. WE MUST ALSO

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COMMEND THE EFFORTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS IN PROTECTING CIVILIANS AND DISPLACED PERSONS INSIDE RWANDA.

THE U.S. WILL CONTINUE TO DO OUR PART. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE UN RESOLUTION PLACING AN ARMS EMBARGO ON RWANDA AS WELL AS AUTHORIZING EXPANSION OF UNAMIR TO FACILITATE BRINGING HUMANITARIAN AID AND PROTECTION TO THREATENED CIVILIAN POPULATIONS. SINCE THE TRAGIC CRASH THAT TOOK THE LIVES OF PRESIDENTS HABYARIMANA AND NTARYAMIRA, THE UNITED STATES HAS PROVIDED OVER 50 MILLION DOLLARS IN HUMANITARIAN RELIEF TO THE SUBREGION, ALONG WITH REPEATED U.S. AIRLIFTS OF AID SUPPLIES. WE CALL ON ALL GOVERNMENTS TO CONSIDER WHAT THEY CAN DO IN SUPPORT OF HUMANITARIAN RELIEF OPERATIONS.

IN ADDITION TO POLITICAL AND HUMANITARIAN ACTION, HUMAN RIGHTS CONCERNS AND PROGRAMS MUST BE AN INTEGRAL PART OF ANY AND EVERY UN ACTION TAKEN ON RWANDA, BECAUSE ONLY BY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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A RESOLUTE FOCUS ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS DIMENSION OF THIS HORROR, OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS AND DIGNITY OF EVERY RWANDAN MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD, WILL THE PARTIES, AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY BE ABLE TO FORGE A WORKABLE END TO THE FIGHTING THAT WILL CARRY OVER INTO THE FUTURE. HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AYALA LASSO'S ROLE AS COORDINATOR OF HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES THROUGHOUT THE UN SYSTEM IS OF COURSE VITAL IN THIS REGARD. SPECIFICALLY, WE ARE PLEASED THAT A HIGHLY SKILLED SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR HAS BEEN NAMED AND IS READY TO UNDERTAKE HIS MANDATE. WE ALSO CALL FOR THE IMMEDIATE DISPATCH OF A TEAM OF HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORS OPERATING UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE UN. NOT ONLY WILL THE MONITORS GATHER INFORMATION ON THE GROUND; THEIR VERY PRESENCE WILL FACILITATE THE NEGOTIATIONS, INASMUCH AS PARTIES WILL MORE WILLINGLY LAY DOWN THEIR ARMS TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY ARE UNDER INTERNATIONAL SCRUTINY.

GATHERING INFORMATION IS ONLY THE FIRST STEP. OUR GOAL MUST BE INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR GROSS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, IN RWANDA AND ELSEWHERE, NOW AND IN THE FUTURE.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, AS WE SIT HERE TODAY, OVER A QUARTER OF A MILLION REFUGEES FROM RWANDA ARE HUDDLED IN

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TANZANIA ALONE. CORPSES STILL FLOAT DAILY DOWN THE  
KAGERA RIVER. WE MUST SEIZE THIS MOMENT TO REAFFIRM OUR  
COMMITMENT TO THE UNIVERSALITY OF HUMAN RIGHTS, TO THE  
RENUNCIATION OF POLITICAL VIOLENCE AND ETHNIC HATRED.  
WE MUST FIX RESPONSIBILITY ON THOSE WHO HAVE DIRECTED  
THESE ACTS OF VIOLENCE. IN SO DOING WE CAN TRANSFORM  
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REVENGE INTO JUSTICE, AFFIRM THE RULE OF LAW, AND BRING  
THIS HORRIBLE CYCLE OF VIOLENCE TO A MERCIFUL CLOSE.

IN CLOSING, MR. CHAIRMAN, THE UNITED STATES REGRETS THAT  
NEARLY TWO WEEKS HAS BEEN LOST IN IMPLEMENTING THIS  
VITAL MANDATE OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS. WE  
RECOMMEND THAT WAYS BE FOUND TO MAKE THE PROCESS MORE  
EXPEDITIOUS, PARTICULARLY IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.  
MINIMIZE CONSIDERED

THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.  
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