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MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL ROBERT P. MCALEER, USMC  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Use of DOD Assets to Jam Rwandan Radio Stations

The Department of State requests that the Department of Defense undertake preliminary planning to jam fixed and mobile radio broadcasts originating in Rwanda that are inciting ethnic violence in that country. The Department of State also requests that the Department of Defense provide a range of options for jamming such broadcasts, including jamming capabilities, resource requirements, and cost estimates by COB, May 4. While the Department of Defense is examining the operational aspects, the Department of State will make every effort to assemble and provide to the Department of Defense, by COB, May 2, a list of assumptions and necessary information on the targeted radio frequencies, broadcast sources, and broadcast time frames. The Department of State will also examine the legal issues involved.

The situation in Rwanda remains violent. Fighting has resumed in Kigali and massacres of innocent civilians by armed gangs continue in many parts of the country. Radio broadcasts by extremists are inciting this violence, and thereby greatly contribute to the rising death toll in Rwanda.

Thank you for your consideration.

*Marc Grossman*  
for Marc Grossman  
Executive Secretary

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