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INFO USMISSION GENEVA  
AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM  
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PARIS FOR PERLOW  
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AF/C FOR AMB. RENDER AND FENDRICK  
AF/E FOR CHRIS WILSON

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TAGS: PREL, PHUM, RW, UG  
SUBJECT: RWANDAN AMBASSADOR MAKES CONTACT WITH GOR  
ARMY COMMANDERS IN RWANDA

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1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. RWANDAN AMBASSADOR CLAVER KANYARUSHOKI ASKED TO MEET WITH THE AMBASSADOR ON MAY 18. KANYARUSHOKI OPENED THE CONVERSATION BY SAYING THAT AFTER

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CONSIDERABLE EFFORT HE HAD MANAGED TO SPEAK TO FAR CHIEF OF STAFF COL. BIZIMUNGO IN KIGALI. USING A UNAMLR-FURNISHED TELEPHONE LINE VIA NEW YORK, KANYARUSHOKI HAD INFORMED BIZIMUNGO THAT THE USG AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WANTED THE KILLINGS STOPPED AND THAT GOR CIVILIAN AND MILITARY OFFICIALS WOULD BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR CIVILIANS KILLED AT THE MILLES COLLINE HOTEL, CYANGUGU AND BEHIND GOR LINES. KANYARUSHOKI SAID THAT BIZIMUNGO DENIED THAT CIVILIANS AT THE MILLES COLLINE AND CYANGUGU WERE AT RISK FROM GOR FORCES, BUT AFFIRMED, NONETHELESS, THAT THEY WOULD NOT BE HARMED. BIZIMUNGO, ACCORDING TO KANYARUSHOKI, SAID THAT THERE WERE POCKETS OF HUTUS UNDER THREAT BEHIND RPF LINES AND THAT THE USG SHOULD PRESSURE THE RPF NOT TO HARM THESE PEOPLE. THE AMBASSADOR TOLD KANYARUSHOKI THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WAS URGING BOTH SIDES IN THE CONFLICT TO RESPECT THE NEUTRALITY OF CIVILIANS AND TO ENTER INTO AN IMMEDIATE CEASE-FIRE. THE AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED THE NEED FOR THE RWANDAN ARMY TO STOP THE CARNAGE AND

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RANDOM VIOLENCE BEING PERPETRATED BY THE YOUTHFUL HUTU MILITIAS.

3. KANYARUSHOKI SAID THE GOR MILITARY FACED A DILEMMA IN DEALING WITH THE MILITIA. THE GOR MILITARY WAS UNDER INCREASING PRESSURE FROM RPF FORCES. THE CIVILIAN MILITIAS WERE A REAR GUARD FOR THE RWANDAN MILITARY, PREVENTING RPF INFILTRATION AND PROTECTING (PROBABLY TERRORIZING) PARTS OF KIGALI WHERE THERE WERE FEW OR NO GOR FORCES. KANYARUSHOKI CONCLUDED THAT THE MILITARY COULD NOT, UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, STOP THE MILITIAS UNTIL A CEASE-FIRE WAS IN PLACE.

4. THE AMBASSADOR CONCLUDED THE CONVERSATION BY STATING THAT IT IS THE GOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE SECURITY AND PROTECTION TO EVERYONE, HUTU AND TUTSI ALIKE, BEHIND GOR LINES. THE ARMY HAD A RESPONSIBILITY TO DISARM AND STOP THE CARNAGE BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE MILITIAS, AND THE EXCUSE THAT THERE IS NO CEASE-FIRE BETWEEN THE RPF AND THE FAR IS NOT LEGITIMATE. IF THE RWANDA MILITARY LEADERSHIP PERMITS OR CONDONES THE WORK OF THE CIVILIAN MILITIAS, IT IS EQUALLY CULPABLE IN THE DEATHS OF

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INNOCENT RWANDANS.

5. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. CARSON

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