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DEPT FOR IO/UNP, IO/PHO, AF/C AND L/AF;
 WHITEHOUSE PASS TO NSC FOR SRICE, DMOZENA
 JOINT STAFF FOR CHAIRMAN, DIR JS, J3;
 SECDEF FOR OSD/ISA

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SUBJECT: SITREP ON RWANDA FROM UNAMIR HQ

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2. USUN POLOFF RECEIVED A SITREP FROM UNAMIR HQ DATED
APRIL 8 [REDACTED] WHAT FOLLOWS ARE
THE MAJOR POINTS RAISED [REDACTED]

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-- A GROUP OF SENIOR OFFICERS OF THE RWANDESE ARMED FORCES HAVE CONSTITUTED THEMSELVES AS A "CRISIS COMMITTEE" IN AN ATTEMPT TO STABILIZE THE SITUATION. THEY HAVE ASKED UNAMIR TO HELP ARRANGE A CEASE-FIRE BETWEEN THEMSELVES, THE RPF, AND THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD. UNAMIR IS SUPPORTING THE CRISIS COMMITTEE'S EFFORTS.

-- GENERAL KAGAME OF THE RPF HAS INFORMED UNAMIR THAT HE: WILL ATTEND A MEETING TO FURTHER THE PEACE PROCESS; WILL MOBILIZE AND MOVE ON KIGALI TO PREVENT FURTHER BLOODSHED; AND WILL PROHIBIT ANY LANDINGS AT THE AIRPORT. UNAMIR RESPONDED BY SAYING THAT IT WOULD PASS ON THE OFFER OF TALKS TO THE CRISIS COMMITTEE, BUT

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ADVISED AGAINST INTRODUCING MORE FORCES INTO KIGALI.

-- IS "THE MANDATE OF UNAMIR STILL VALID?" WHILE THINGS REMAIN RELATIVELY CALM IN THE DMZ, UNAMIR IS GENERALLY INEFFECTIVE IN KIGALI. SPECIFICALLY, UNAMIR IS UNABLE TO PERFORM ITS MANDATE FUNCTIONS OF: SECURING THE WEAPONS OF THE PARTIES; SECURING KIGALI BECAUSE UNAMIR'S FORCES ARE PINNED DOWN AND UNABLE TO REACH EACH OTHER; SECURING THE RPF BEHIND THE AREA IN THE COMPOUND; SURVEILLANCE AND VERIFICATION IS DIFFICULT; INCREASING THE SECURITY OF INDIVIDUALS; SECURE THE AIRPORT; OR PROTECTING THE UN AND EXPATRIATE COMMUNITY. WITH REGARD TO THE FINAL ISSUE OF PROTECTING THE UN AND EXPATRIATE COMMUNITY, UNAMIR IS CONCERNED THAT WHILE AT PRESENT THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE RELATIVELY SAFE IN THEIR HOUSES, ONCE THEIR PROVISIONS RUN OUT UNAMIR WILL BE ASKED TO PERFORM THE DIFFICULT IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE TASK OF EVACUATING THEM. ANY EVACUATION ATTEMPT WILL BE DEPENDENT ON UNAMIR BEING GRANTED IMMUNITY FROM ATTACK.

-- UNAMIR DOES NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT RESERVES IN WATER, RATIONS, FUEL, AMMUNITION, MEDICAL SUPPLIES, AND SO ON TO EXIST IN A PROLONGED CONFLICT SCENARIO; INDEED, SOME BASIC SUPPLIES MIGHT LAST FOR ONLY A FEW MORE DAYS.

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THIS IS PARTICULARLY CRITICAL FOR THOSE FORCES IN KIGALI
(THOSE OUTSIDE KIGALI CAN MORE EASILY DEPEND ON THE
LOCAL ECONOMY).

-- UNAMIR IS ATTEMPTING TO SECURE THE AMOHORO STADIUM
AS THE CORE OF ITS OPERATIONS, BUT THUS FAR IT HAS BEEN
PREVENTED FROM DOING SO BECAUSE OF BATTLES BETWEEN THE
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RPF AND THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD IN THIS AREA.

-- "THE FC OF UNAMIR NEEDS TO KNOW WHAT THE MAJOR
COUNTRIES ARE PLANNING TO DO IN THE AREA OF POSSIBLE
EVACUATION, ESPECIALLY OF THE EXPATRIATES AND UN OR
UNAMIR. WE HAVE A LIGHT COMPANY (-) AT THE AIRPORT BUT
WE DO NOT CONTROL OR HAVE SECURED THE OUTES TO THE
AIRPORT. NEITHER IS THE AIRPORT SECURE FOR LANDING."

-- "UNAMIR REMAINS COMMITTED TO ITS MANDATE EVEN THOUGH
THE PRESENT SITUATION IS NOT ENABLING THIS MISSION TO
FULFILL OUR ASSIGNED...TASKS. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO
DOUBT THAT KIGALI WOULD HAVE BEEN IN A WORSE SITUATION
WITHOUT UNAMIR."

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