

U.N. to send observers to Rwanda-Uganda border

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UNITED NATIONS, June 22 (AFP) - The Security Council decided Tuesday to send a team of military and civilian observers to the Rwanda-Uganda border to determine whether supplies are being sent to rebels in Rwanda.

The team will include 81 military and 24 civilian observers, according to the resolution introduced by France and approved unanimously.

The mission's cost was estimated at 8.5 million dollars for an initial six month period.

The plan was approved two days after the Rwanda government signed a peace agreement in Tanzania with the rebel Rwandese Patriotic Front.

French U.N. Ambassador Jean-Bernard Merimee said he hoped the agreement and the U.N. observer force can prevent the recurrence of massacres and ethnic fighting in Rwanda, and lead to a full peace.

France, which has a military contingent in Rwanda, is seeking to disengage from the African country.

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