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Subject

SECURITY COUNCIL: RWANDA

Further to our C01940, tonight's Le Monde (see our accompanying fax) in an article sourced from New York quotes MÉRIMEÉ as saying that "all the members of the Council are persuaded of our pure intentions." It goes straight on to note that:

"The resolution should be adopted - with perhaps the usual abstention by China and the negative vote of New Zealand. The New Zealand Ambassador, who could still hold up the vote "by procedural obstacles" has been so vehemently opposed to the French initiative that some are wondering if the dark Rainbow Warrior affair was not still on his mind. "

2. Beeby called De Verdière this afternoon to express his regret at this reference to an issue which was now well and truly of the past. Beeby told De Verdière that there was no question of there being any link between RW and New Zealand's position on Rwanda. De Verdière likewise assured Beeby that he also considered the Rainbow Warrior a thing of the past and that he had nothing like it in mind in talking to him this morning. He asserted that responsibility for the article lay with the reporter alone (a proposition that we think unlikely to be true.)

End Message