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Your C00282 (not to all).

- We are considering the question of Rwanda's position on the Council. We should be grateful for any further views New York may have following their report (their C04674, para 13) on the Rwandan PR's increasing intransigence.
- 3 The views of the permanent members, particularly France, will be persuasive in determining the Council's action. To date ideas have focussed on how to sideline Rwanda rather than remove it. One consideration is that a formal move to expel the Rwandan delegation would be likely to diminish further the RGF's willingness to cooperate with the UN (and the French?). Any step in the direction of a challenge would also need the support of the African group to have a chance of success.
- 4 It is not an issue on which we see New Zealand taking a lead.

End Message