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TAGS: MARR, PINS, PREL, MOPS, UNSC, RW SUBJECT: UNSC GETS UPDATE ON RWANDA 4/18

- 1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. SUMMARY: THE UNSC HEARD AN UPDATE ON THE SITUATION ON THE GROUND IN RWANDA APRIL 18, BUT DID NOT CONTEMPLATE ANY ACTION AT THIS TIME. END SUMMARY.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE REVIEW AUTHORITY: CHARLES L DARIS DATE/CASE ID: 22 MAR 2006 200103014

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- 3. THE UN SECRETARIAT TOLD THE SECURITY COUNCIL APRIL 18 THAT UNAMIR WAS NOW MOSTLY OUT OF THE COUNTRYSIDE AND ONLY STATIONED IN KIGALI. FIGHTING IN KIGALI CONTINUES. THE RPF CONTROLS THE NORTHERN PART OF KIGALI. THEIR OFFENSIVE HAS SLOWED, EITHER DELIBERATELY OR DUE TO RESISTANCE. THE GOVERNMENT'S FORCES ARE RESISTING OUTSIDE OF KIGALI. ETHNIC KILLINGS CONTINUE, PARTICULARLY BEHIND GOVERNMENT-HELD LINES. THERE IS NEITHER A CEASE-FIRE NOR A TRUCE, ALTHOUGH UNAMIR CONTINUES ITS EFFORTS. THE RPF WILL NOT AGREE TO A CEASE-FIRE UNTIL THE KILLINGS STOP BEHIND GOVERNMENT LINES. THE RPF WILL NOT TALK DIRECTLY TO THE GOVERNMENT, SINCE TO DO SO MIGHT IMPLY RECOGNITION OF THE GOVERNMENT.
- 4. THE SECRETARIAT INFORMED THE COUNCIL THAT 300 GHANAIANS WERE WITHDRAWING FROM THE DMZ AND WOULD TAKE CONTROL OF THE AIRPORT TUESDAY, APRIL 19. ALL BELGIAN UNAMIR HQ STAFF HAVE LEFT. THE HUMANITARIAN SITUATION CONFIDENTIAL

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  CONTINUES TO DETERIORATE. THE UN'S DEPARTMENT OF
  HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS (DHA) HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO SEND
  AN ADVANCE TEAM TO LOOK INTO AID SHIPMENTS, BUT THEY
  CANNOT PROCEED TO KIGALI UNTIL THERE IS A CEASEFIRE.
  THE FORCE COMMANDER AND SRSG WILL PRESENT FURTHER
  RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SYG WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.
- 5. NIGERIAN AMB GAMBARI NOTED THAT THE OAU IS ENTERING THE DIPLOMATIC FRONT, AND HAS MET WITH THE RPF. THE RWANDAN AMBASSADOR TOLD THE COUNCIL A MEETING WAS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 23 IN ARUSHA BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES. THE PRESIDENT OF THE SC BRIEFED THE COUNCIL ON HIS MEETING WITH THE BANGLADESHI AMBASSADOR. BANGLADESH WAS STILL COMMITTED TO UNAMIR, BUT INCREASINGLY NERVOUS. IF THE DANGER INCREASES, THEY HOPE THE SC WILL REVIEW THE SITUATION. THE PRESIDENT (NEW ZEALAND) REASSURED THE BANGLADESHI, AND WARNED THAT PREMATURE ANNOUNCEMENT OF UNAMIR WITHDRAWAL COULD BE DANGEROUS. THE PRESIDENT SAID THE COUNCIL NEEDS TO MAKE A DECISION ON UNAMIR BY THE END OF THE WEEK.

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