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- 2. SUMMARY: ON MAY 12 THE COUNCIL FOCUSED ON THE DRAFT RESOLUTION CONTAINED IN REFTEL. DISCUSSION CENTERED ON THE MANDATE OF AN EXPANDED UN PRESENCE, WITH MOST MEMBERS FAVORING A STRICTLY HUMANITARIAN OPERATION. A WORKING GROUP WAS ESTABLISHED TO CONTINUE REVISING THE RESOLUTION. COUNCIL PRESIDENT GAMBARI SAID HE HOPED TO VOTE ON A RESOLUTION FRIDAY, MAY 13; IF THE COUNCIL IS NOT READY, HE ANTICIPATES HOLDING A SATURDAY SESSION. END SUMMARY.
- 3. USYG GHAREKHAN BRIEFED THE COUNCIL ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS. HE SAID RPF TROOPS IN THE SOUTH HAD ADVANCED WESTWARD, RESTRICTING UNAMIR'S MOVEMENTS. UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES AYALA-LASSO APPEALED FOR A CEASEFIRE ON RWANDAN RADIO, PRESSED THE HEAD OF THE RWANDAN ARMED FORCES TO RELEASE HOSTAGES IN KIGALI.S STADIUM, AND HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE IN NAIROBI. HE SAID THE SYG HAD FIRM OFFERS OF TROOPS FROM TANZANIA, CONFIDENTIAL

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- PAGE 03 USUN N 02037 01 OF 02 122350Z GHANA AND NIGERIA, PLUS A TENTATIVE OFFER FROM A FOURTH COUNTRY (PROBABLY SENEGAL OR UGANDA), BUT DID NOT YET KNOW THE NUMBERS OFFERED.
- 4. COUNCIL PRESIDENT GAMBARI REPORTED ON HIS MEETINGS WITH RPF AND GOR REPRESENTATIVES- BOTH WANT AN EXPANDED UN PRESENCE; THE GOVERNMENT WANTS A BIGGER OPERATION WITH A WIDER MANDATE, WHILE THE RPF WANTS A SMALLER FORCE WITH A NARROWER MANDATE CONFINED TO HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT.
- 5. FRANCE, UK, RUSSIA, CHINA, NEW ZEALAND, ARGENTINA, SPAIN AND THE CZECH REPUBLIC SPOKE IN FAVOR OF A FOCUSED HUMANITARIAN MANDATE ALONG THE LINES OF THE NEW ZEALAND DRAFT RESOLUTION, WHICH INCLUDED THE PROTECTION OF CIVILIANS IN SAFE AREAS AND THE PROTECTED DELIVERY OF HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE. THE OMANI AND RWANDAN DELEGATES SPOKE IN FAVOR OF AN EXPANDED POLITICAL COMPONENT, STATING THAT WITHOUT A CEASEFIRE, NO UN ASSISTANCE WOULD BE POSSIBLE.
- 6. AMBASSADOR INDERFURTH PRESSED THE SECRETARIAT FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESOURCES TO BE USED TO CARRY OUT THE MANDATE. HE ASKED FOR INFORMATION ON TROOP

STRENGTH, CAPABILITIES AND EQUIPMENT, AND HOW QUICKLY THEY COULD BE DEPLOYED. HE ALSO URGED CONSIDERATION OF UNCLASSIFIED WHICH COUNTRIES COULD PROVIDE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FOR THE TROOPS DEPLOYED. USYG GHAREKHAN SAID THE SECRETARIAT WOULD PROVIDE A FORMAL REPORT WITH A PRELIMINARY BUDGET TOMORROW, MAY 13.

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USUN N 02037 01 OF 02 122350Z PAGE 04 7. FRANCE, THE UK, RUSSIA, NEW ZEALAND AND ARGENTINA SAID THE COUNCIL SHOULD EITHER ADOPT A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN ARMS EMBARGO, WHICH THEY FAVOR, OR IF UNABLE, STICK WITH THE CURRENT UNSC STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT.

- 8. REFERRING TO PARAGRAPH 14 OF THE DRAFT RESOLUTION, THE FRENCH REPRESENTATIVE SAID THE COUNCIL WAS NOT YET PREPARED TO LAUNCH AN EFFORT TO PROSECUTE THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR GENOCIDE, AND WOULD NEED A SPECIFIC PLAN SUCH AS THAT ADOPTED FOR THE WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL FOR FORMER YUGOSLAVIA. THE RWANDAN REPRESENTATIVE SAID THAT IF AN INQUIRY WERE TO BE CONDUCTED, IT SHOULD COVER THE ENTIRE CONFLICT, SINCE OCTOBER 1, 1990, INSTEAD OF BEGINNING WITH THE RECENT OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES.
- 9. THE NEW ZEALAND PERMREP SAID THAT A UN OPERATION COULD NOT FEASIBLY CARRY OUT ITS MANDATE IF IT HAS TO SEEK THE CONSENT OF THE PARTIES AT EVERY TURN. OPERATION SHOULD BE AUTHORIZED UNDER CHAPTER VII. CHINESE REPRESENTATIVE SAID THAT WHILE THE OPERATION CANNOT RELY ON TOTAL CONSENT, IT MUST SEEK COOPERATION

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FROM THE PARTIES AND SHOULD BE A CHAPTER VI OPERATION-

10. THE UK PERMREP STATED THAT UNAMIR, ITS FORCE

COMMANDER AND UN HEADQUARTERS SHOULD BE GIVEN MAXIMUM OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITY, I.E. THEY SHOULD DETERMINE WHETHER THE TROOPS START IN KIGALI AND WORK OUTWARDS OR START AT THE BORDER AND WORK TOWARD KIGALI. "DON'T PUT THEM IN A STRAITJACKET," HE SAID. THE SPANISH PERMREP SAID HIS GOVERNMENT FAVORED A PHASED FORCE DEPLOYMENT.

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