

## MSF says all Belgian staff to leave Rwanda

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BRUSSELS, April 10 (Reuter) - The international medical charity Medecins sans Frontieres (MSF) said on Sunday it was evacuating all of its Belgian staff from Rwanda, where there is growing resentment against the former colonial power.

“In view of the situation in the country and as a precautionary measure, MSF has decided to evacuate...its Belgian members remaining in the country,” the organisation said in a statement issued in Brussels.

MSF has dozens of doctors and other medical personnel working in the stricken country, where tens of thousands have been killed in an orgy of violence and ethnic bloodletting over the last few days.

The statement said MSF would replace Belgian staff with nationals from other countries if possible. It did not say how many people were involved.

The Belgians are unpopular among the majority Hutu tribe which believes they support the rebels.

Officials said there were also strong rumours in Kigali that Belgium, which granted the African state independence in 1962, had been involved in last week's killing of Rwanda's president.

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