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TAGS: PREL MOPS PHUM RW US  
SUBJECT: DAS BUSHNELL TELLS RWANDA ARMY LEADER KILLINGS MUST STOP

1. IN A PHONE CONVERSATION ON APRIL 27, GENERAL BIZIMUNGU, CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT FORCES, TOLD DAS BUSHNELL THAT IF THE RPF WERE TO AGREE TO A CEASE-FIRE, HE WOULD NEED ONLY 48 HOURS TO RETURN THE COUNTRY TO ORDER. DAS BUSHNELL INITIATED THE CALL TO

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BIZIMUNGU TO CONVEY USG'S OUTRAGE AT THE CONTINUATION OF THE VIOLENCE AND TO DEMAND AN IMMEDIATE END TO THE KILLINGS. SHE TOLD BIZIMUNGU THAT AS THE MILITARY CHIEF OF STAFF, WE WERE LOOKING TO HIM PERSONALLY TO RETURN THE COUNTRY TO ORDER SO THAT INNOCENT PEOPLE COULD SLEEP IN PEACE AGAIN. BIZIMUNGU RETORTED THAT HE WAS ONLY ONE PERSON AND COULD NOT ASK HIS FORCES TO GO INTO THE STREETS TO RESTORE ORDER AS LONG AS THE RPF WAS FIRING ON THEM. HE CALLED UPON BUSHNELL TO GET THE RPF TO AGREE TO A CEASE-FIRE; SHE RESPONDED THAT SHE HAD PLANNED TO TALK TO THEM AS WELL.

2. BUSHNELL TOLD BIZIMUNGU THAT HE SHOULD CONTACT UNAMIR COMMANDER, GENERAL DALLAIRE, TO ADVISE HIM THAT THE GOR MILITARY HAD AGREED TO RESTORE ORDER WITHIN 48 HOURS IF A NEGOTIATED CEASE-FIRE WITH THE RPF COULD BE ARRANGED. BIZIMUNGU RESPONDED THAT IT WAS 2230 LOCAL TIME AND THAT HE WOULD CONTACT DALLAIRE THROUGH HIS LIAISON OFFICE FIRST THING IN THE MORNING ON APRIL 28. BUSHNELL ENDED THE CONVERSATION SAYING THAT SHE WOULD CALL GENERAL  
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BIZIMUNGU AGAIN ON APRIL 28 AT 1930 TO RECEIVE ASSURANCES THAT HE HAD CONTACTED DALLAIRE AND WAS ARRANGING A CEASE-FIRE.

3. FOR USUN: MISSION SHOULD SHARE THE ABOVE INFORMATION WITH APPROPRIATE UN OFFICIALS.

4. BUJUMBURA - MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.  
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