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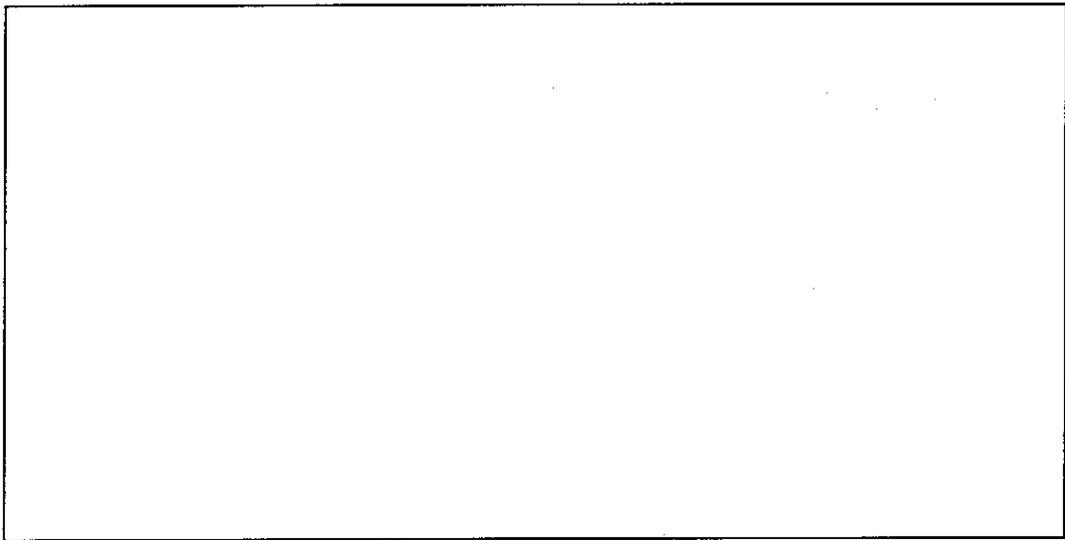
THE FOLLOWING STATE 091856, DATED 07 APR 94, SENT ACTION COLOMBO,  
IS BEING REPEATED FOR YOUR ACTIONS.

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2. (C) RWANDA/BURUNDI - ALL AMERICANS ARE REPORTED

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SAFE, BUT THE SITUATION REMAINS TURBULENT AFTER THE DOWNING OF THE PRESIDENTIAL AIRCRAFT. THE PRIME MINISTER WAS GUNNED DOWN BY MEMBERS OF THE RWANDAN

PRESIDENTIAL GUARD. SHE HAD BEEN TRYING TO REACH THE DCM'S HOUSE TO TAKE REFUGE, BUT CHANGED COURSE WHEN SHE HEARD GUNFIRE IN THE AREA.

THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 200 AMERICANS IN RWANDA AND ABOUT 180 IN BURUNDI, LESS THAN HALF OF WHOM ARE OFFICIAL AMERICANS AND DEPENDENTS. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, ALL AMERICANS ARE BELIEVED SAFE. BOTH EMBASSIES HAVE ACTIVATED THE WARDEN SYSTEMS.

IN RWANDA, ALL AMERICANS HAVE BEEN ADVISED TO STAY AT HOME. THE EMBASSY IN KIGALI IS CLOSED. THERE IS AN EXISTING TRAVEL WARNING ASKING ALL AMERICANS TO DEFER TRAVEL TO RWANDA. IN BURUNDI, AMERICANS WERE ADVISED TO

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STAY AT HOME LAST NIGHT. THE EAC MET TODAY AND IS ADVISING RESIDENT AMERICANS TO EXERCISE CAUTION. THE EMBASSY IN BUJUMBURA IS OPEN.

THE CITIZENS EMERGENCY CENTER HAS, AS YET, RECEIVED NO CALLS ON THE SITUATION IN EITHER COUNTRY.

BURUNDI (BUJUMBURA)  
AMBASSADOR - VACANT  
CHARGE - LEONARD LANGE (HELD POSITION FOR OVER A YEAR)  
CONS/GSO - LYNN ELIZABETH MUNN (ARRIVED APPROX. 8/93)

RWANDA (KIGALI)  
AMBASSADOR - DAVID RAWSON (ARRIVED 11/93)  
DCM - JOYCE LEADER  
CON/ECON/COM - LAURA LAND (ARRIVED 8/93)

REGIONAL CONSULAR OFFICER FOR BOTH IS MARSHA VON DUERCKHEIM, NAIROBI.

THE BELGIANS ARE CONSIDERING SENDING A REINFORCED BATTALION TO RWANDA TO ASSIST 450 BELGIAN TROOPS ATTACHED TO UNAMIR IN THE EVACUATION OF FOREIGNERS' ACCORDING TO EMBASSY BRUSSELS. SHOULD BRUSSELS DECIDE TO MAKE A RAPID, LARGE SCALE MILITARY DEPLOYMENT, IT WILL PROBABLY REQUEST AIRLIFT SUPPORT FROM THE U.S.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS ESTABLISHED A 24-HOUR TASK

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FORCE EFFECTIVE 13:00 EDT, APRIL 7 TO MONITOR THE  
SITUATION AND COORDINATE THE U.S. RESPONSE. OUR PRESENT  
INTENTION IS TO TEMPORARILY SUSPEND ALL OPERATIONS IN  
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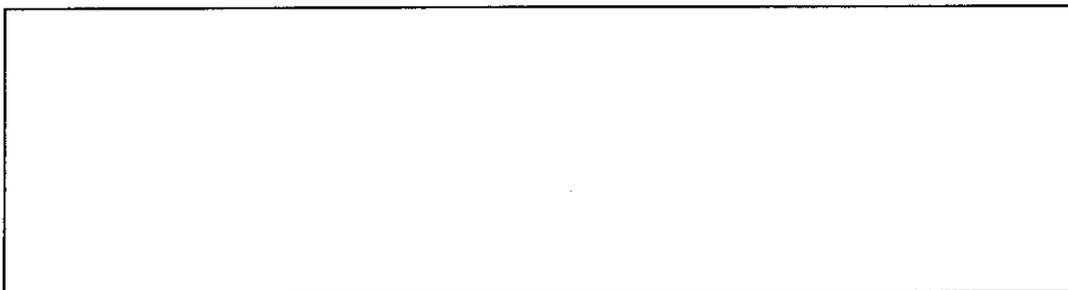
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KIGALI AS SOON AS WE CAN COMPLETE AN EVACUATION.

3. (U) BUYOUT UPDATE - TO DATE THERE ARE 21 FIRM  
TAKERS ON THE FOREIGN SERVICE SIDE (5 SENIORS) AND 31 ON  
THE CIVIL SERVICE SIDE (1 SES).

4. (PS) YOUR FAX MESSAGES - WE SENT MESSAGE ON ACDA  
DETAIL TO GENTA, WITH MINOR REVISIONS. YOU HAD NOT/NOT  
APPROVED SECRETARY'S EXTENSION. YOU APPROVED THE  
OFFICER'S EXTENSION. PM HAS A FORMER AMBASSADOR DOING  
AN ARMS CONTROL ISSUE. HE IS A WAE. TOO BAD, WE  
COULDN'T HAVE PUT THE LONG TERM DETAILEE THERE.

GLIFFA MEMO COMMENTS HAVE BEEN SENT TO DG - AS PRACTICAL  
MATTER VARIOUS GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ARE PROCEEDING  
INDEPENDENTLY. MEB QUESTIONS WHETHER THERE IS REALLY  
THE STOMACH FOR ROLLING THIS INTO A GOVERNMENT - WIDE  
APPROACH WHICH WOULD BE MORE HIGH PROFILE.

AWILDA IS WORKING ON SENATOR KERRY'S REQUEST.



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