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2. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FROM A DIPLOMATIC SOURCE A COPY OF THE DRAFT CEASE FIRE AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED IN KINSHASA BETWEEN THE GOR AND RPF DELEGATIONS IN THE MEETING ENDING MARCH 16.

3. AN UNOFFICIAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF THE TEXT OF THE CEASE-FIRE ACCORD FOLLOWS.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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BEGIN TEXT.

- CEASE FIRE ACCORD BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
- REPUBLIC OF RWANDA AND THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT

WE, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC  
OF RWANDA AND OF THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT;

AWARE OF THE UNFORTUNATE EVENTS WHICH SET RWANDANS  
AGAINST EACH OTHER AND WHICH DISTURB PEACE AND PUBLIC  
ORDER IN THE COUNTRY;

WE, MAKING REFERENCE TO THE COMMUNIQUE OF THE SUMMITS OF  
THE HEADS OF STATE OF THE REGION, MEETING AT MWANZA  
(TANZANIA) OCTOBER 17, 1990; GBADOLITE (ZAIRE) OCTOBER  
26, 1990, AND GOMA (ZAIRE) NOVEMBER 20, 1990;  
CONSIDERING THAT ALL THESE SUMMIT MEETINGS HAVE PLACED  
PARTICULAR ATTENTION ON THE PREREQUISITE OF A CEASE FIRE;

CONSIDERING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PRINCIPLE OF THE  
CEASE-FIRE BY PRESIDENT JUVENAL HABYARIMANA AT ZANZIBAR  
FEBRUARY 17, 1991 FOLLOWING HIS MEETING WITH PRESIDENTS

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YOWERI MUSEVENI OF UGANDA AND ALI HASSAN MWINYI OF  
TANZANIA;

GIVEN THAT PRESIDENTS PIERRE BUYOYA OF BURUNDI, JUVENAL  
HABYARIMANA OF RWANDA, ALI HASSAN MWINYI OF TANZANIA,  
YOWERI MUSEVENI OF UGANDA AND PRIME MINISTER LUNDA BULULU  
OF ZAIRE, ASSISTED BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE OAU  
AND BY A DELEGATE OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSION  
FOR REFUGEES HAVE ADOPTED THE DECLARATION OF DAR ES  
SALAAM OF FEBRUARY 19, 1991 MANDATING PRESIDENT MOBUTU  
SESE SEKO OF ZAIRE TO TAKE IMMEDIATE AND URGENT MEASURES  
LEADING TO A DIALOGUE RESULTING IN A FORMAL CEASE-FIRE  
ACCORD BETWEEN THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT AND THE RWANDAN  
PATRIOTIC FRONT;

GIVEN THAT THE CEASE-FIRE SHOULD FACILITATE THE BEGINNING  
OF DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT AND THE  
RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT AIMED AT NATIONAL RECONCILIATION  
AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LASTING PEACE;

HAVE MET AND ACCEPTED THIS THE 29 OF MARCH 1991 THE

FOLLOWING MECHANISMS FOR THE CEASE-FIRE.

ARTICLE I -

A CEASE-FIRE IS ESTABLISHED ACROSS THE ENTIRE TERRITORY OF THE RWANDAN REPUBLIC BETWEEN GOVERNMENT FORCES AND THOSE OF THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT.

THE CEASE-FIRE ENTERS INTO EFFECT MARCH 29, 1991 BEGINNING AT MIDNIGHT, RWANDAN TIME.

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ARTICLE II

THE CEASE-FIRE IMPLIES:

1. CESSATION OF ALL HOSTILITIES IN ORDER THAT DIALOGUE AND SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS TAKE PLACE BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE MEDIATOR;
2. SUSPENSION OF THE SUPPLY OF WEAPONS AND ALL OTHER WAR

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MATERIEL TO THE FIELD;

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3. SUPPLY OF NON-DANGEROUS LOGISTICAL NEEDS TO THE  
 MILITARY UNITS IN THE FIELD;

4. LIBERATION OF ALL PRISONERS OF WAR AND LIBERATION OF  
 ALL PERSONS ARRESTED FOLLOWING AND BECAUSE OF THE WAR,  
 WITHIN FIVE (5) DAYS OF THE SIGNING OF THIS ACCORD;

5. ABILITY TO RETRIEVE THE BODIES OF THE DEAD;

6. RETREAT OF ALL FOREIGN TROOPS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE  
 POSITIONING OF THE GROUP OF NEUTRAL MILITARY OBSERVERS,  
 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE MILITARY ASSISTANTS  
 (COOPERANTS MILITAIRES) IN RWANDA AS A RESULT OF  
 BILATERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENTS;

7. NON-INFILTRATION OF TROOPS AND THE PROHIBITION OF

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TROOP AND SUPPLY MOVEMENTS IN TERRITORY OCCUPIED BY EACH PARTY;

8. PROHIBITION OF MINE-LAYING OPERATIONS OR HAMPERING MINE REMOVAL OPERATIONS.

## ARTICLE III

1. VERIFICATION AND CONTROL OF THE CEASE-FIRE ARE ASSURED BY A GROUP OF NEUTRAL MILITARY OBSERVERS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE OAU.

2. THE GROUP OF NEUTRAL MILITARY OBSERVERS SHALL CONSIST OF OFFICERS FROM BURUNDI (15), UGANDA (15), TANZANIA  
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 (15), AND ZAIRE (15). THEY SHALL BE JOINED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA (5) AND THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT (5).

3. THE GROUP OF NEUTRAL MILITARY OBSERVERS SHALL OBSERVE THE RESPECT OF THE CEASE-FIRE. THE GROUP SHALL NOTIFY EACH VIOLATION TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE OAU, WHO SHALL COMMUNICATE WITH THE CONCERNED PARTIES AND WITH THE REGIONAL HEADS OF STATE.

4. THE GROUP OF NEUTRAL MILITARY OBSERVERS SHALL PUT IN PLACE THE ELEMENTS AND MECHANISMS NECESSARY TO THE VERIFICATION AND CONTROL OF THE CEASE-FIRE. IT SHALL WORK OUT ITS OWN BYLAWS. IT SHALL HAVE LEGAL STANDING ALLOWING IT TO ACCOMPLISH ITS MISSION AS STATED IN THIS CEASE-FIRE ACCORD.  
 ARTICLE IV

POLITICAL DIALOGUE MUST BEGIN WITHIN 15 (FIFTEEN) DAYS OF THE SIGNATURE OF THIS ACCORD.

## ARTICLE V -

THE DEFINITIONS IN THE SOLE ANNEX ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS ACCORD.

SIGNED AT -----, THE -----.

FOR AND IN THE NAME OF:

THE RWANDAN REPUBLIC/ THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT (RPF)/  
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THE MEDIATOR

IN THE PRESENCE OF:

SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY.

SOLE ANNEX: DEFINITIONS -

"CEASE-FIRE" MEANS THE CESSATION OF ALL HOSTILITIES  
BETWEEN THE FORCES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
RWANDA AND THOSE OF THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT (RPF)  
ACROSS THE ENTIRE NATIONAL TERRITORY OF RWANDA.

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"CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES" MEANS THE END OF ALL MILITARY  
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OPERATIONS, OF ALL HARMFUL CIVILIAN OPERATIONS, AND OF  
DENIGRATING AND FALSE ACCOUNTS IN THE MASS MEDIA.

"GROUP OF NEUTRAL MILITARY OBSERVERS" MEANS THE NEUTRAL  
MILITARY OBSERVERS FURNISHED BY BURUNDI (15), UGANDA  
(15), TANZANIA (15) AND ZAIRE (15) AND JOINED BY FIVE (5)  
OFFICERS FROM RWANDA AND BY FIVE (5) OFFICERS FROM THE  
RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT EACH,  
TO OBSERVE AND SUPERVISE  
THE CEASE-FIRE AT PRECISE LOCATIONS UNDER THE SUPERVISION  
OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN  
UNITY (OAU).

"VIOLATION OF THE CEASE-FIRE" MEANS NON-OBSERVATION OF  
ONE OF THE POINTS ENUMERATED IN ARTICLE II.

END TEXT.

4. SEVERAL POINTS OF INTEREST ARE CONTAINED IN AN  
ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENT ENTITLED, "MINUTES OF THE  
NEGOTIATIONS FOR A DRAFT CEASE-FIRE ACCORD BETWEEN THE  
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA AND THE RWANDAN  
PATRIOTIC FRONT." THESE ARE:

A) ON THE PATRIOTIC FRONT:

"THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT DELEGATION MADE THE FOLLOWING DECLARATION: THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT DECLARES THAT THE FACT OF HAVING SIGNED THE CEASE-FIRE ACCORD WITH THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT IN NO WAY IMPLIES A LEGAL RECOGNITION OF IT, SINCE THE LAWS OF RWANDA DO NOT YET PERMIT RECOGNITION OF BODIES OF A POLITICAL NATURE."

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IN TURN, THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT DECLARED:

"THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT'S RESERVATIONS ON THE RECOGNITION OF THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT CONSTITUTES A UNILATERAL DECLARATION ON A POINT NOT DEBATED IN THE CONTEXT OF THIS ACCORD AND DOES NOT COMMIT THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT."

B) ON LIBERATION OF PRISONERS OF WAR:

"AS A PRECONDITION TO SIGNING THE CEASE-FIRE, THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT DELEGATION ASKED FOR THE LIBERATION OF THREE OF ITS SOLDIERS ARRESTED FEBRUARY 19, 1991, AT WHICH TIME THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA HAD DECLARED A CEASE-FIRE."

"THE DELEGATION OF THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT DECLARED THAT NEITHER PARTY HAD YET GIVEN ITS RESPONSE ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A CEASE-FIRE BY FEBRUARY 19, 1991 AND THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO PARTICULARITIES ABOUT THE FIGHTING OF THAT DAY WITH RESPECT TO OTHER BATTLES PRECEEDING IT OR FOLLOWING IT."

C.) ON THE LOCATION OF POSITIONS HELD BY THE PARTIES:

"THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT DELEGATION DECLARED THAT IT WOULD SHOW ITS POSITIONS ONLY AND IF NEEDED TO THE GROUP OF NEUTRAL MILITARY OBSERVERS."

"THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT DELEGATION DECLARED THAT THE POSITIONS OCCUPIED AND CONTROLLED BY BOTH PARTIES MUST BE  
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SHOWN TO THE GROUP OF NEUTRAL MILITARY OBSERVERS IN ORDER  
TO PERMIT IT TO BEST CONTROL AND OBSERVE THE CEASE-FIRE."

D) ON THE SIGNING OF THE CEASE-FIRE ACCORD:  
"IT WAS AGREED THAT THE CEASE-FIRE ACCORD WILL BE  
SIGNED BY THE TWO PARTIES, THE MEDIATOR, AND THE  
SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE OAU ON MARCH 29, 1991 IN ZAIRE  
AT A LOCATION TO BE DISCLOSED LATER."

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