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Amb. Gharekhan repeated information known already from the press and from Nairobi. He added that in Kigali and in Butare (where the murdered minister hailed from and where, evidently in revenge an RPF leader was killed) there is a curfew. The security situation has deteriorated.

Commentary: On France's initiative, the SC adopted a PRST on Rwanda on 17/02. The SC will now probably only manage to helplessly regard the developing situation. It will have to reflect on the situation as it decides on extending UNAMIR's mandate next month.