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SUBJECT: SECURITY COUNCIL: RWANDA

Our cable of 14 April refers.

Attached for your information is a copy of the Draft Resolution on the Situation in Rwanda.

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14 April 1994
5.00 p.m.

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION IN RWANDA

The Security Council,

Reaffirming all its previous resolutions on the situation in Rwanda, in particular its resolution 872 (1993) of 5 October 1993 by which it established the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda (UNAMIR),

Noting its resolution 909 (1994) of 5 April 1994 which extended the mandate of UNAMIR until 29 July 1994 with a six-week review provision on the understanding that progress would be made in establishing the transitional institutions provided for under the Arusha Peace Agreement between the Government of Rwanda and the Rwandese Patriotic Front,

Recalling its statement of 7 April 1994 (S/PRST/1994/16 which, inter alia, reaffirmed its commitment to the Arusha Peace Agreement and urged all parties to implement it fully,

Stressing that the Arusha Peace Agreement remains central to the peace process in Rwanda,

Expressing deep regret at the failure of the parties to implement fully the provisions of the Arusha Peace Agreement, particularly those provisions relating to the cease-fire,

Welcoming the initiatives of the late Presidents of Rwanda and Burundi to work towards resolving the problems in their countries through peaceful means and in collaboration with regional leaders,

Shocked at the tragic incident that resulted in the deaths of the Presidents of Rwanda and Burundi on 6 April 1994,

Appalled at the ensuing large scale violence in Rwanda which has resulted in the death of thousands of innocent civilians, including women and children, the displacement of a significant number of the Rwandese population, and the significant increase in refugees to neighbouring countries,

Deeply concerned by continuing fighting, looting, banditry and the breakdown of law and order, particularly in Kigali,

Expressing its deep concern also for the safety and security of UNAMIR and other United Nations personnel, and personnel of

Non-Governmental Organizations, who are assisting in implementing the peace process and in distributing humanitarian relief,

[Determining that the situation in Rwanda constitutes a threat to peace and security,]

1. Expresses regret at the tragic incident in which the Presidents of Rwanda and Burundi lost their lives, and reiterates its invitation to the Secretary-General to report to the Council as requested in its statement of 7 April 1994;

2. Expresses regret also at the ensuing violence which has claimed the lives of the Prime Minister, Cabinet Ministers, Government Officials and thousands of other civilians;

3. Condemns the ongoing violence in Rwanda, particularly in Kigali, which endangers the lives and safety of the civilian population;

4. Strongly condemns the attacks against UNAMIR and other United Nations personnel leading to the deaths of and injury to several UNAMIR personnel and calls upon all concerned to put an end to these acts of violence and to respect fully international humanitarian law;

5. Calls for an immediate cessation of hostilities and an end to the violence and carnage which are engulfing Rwanda; and in this connection, [demands that the Rwandese Patriotic Front (RPF) agree without delay to an effective cease-fire] and that both parties return to the positions held by them before the present hostilities;

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6. Commends the active role of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General and of the Force Commander to bring about a cease-fire and to mediate between the parties in order to bring about the earliest resolution of the Rwandan crisis;

[7. Decides, in the light of the current security situation in Rwanda, to increase the strength of UNAMIR and to revise its mandate to enable it to contribute to the restoration of law and order and the establishment of the transitional institutions within the framework of the Arusha Peace Agreement;]

8. Reiterates the crucial importance of the full implementation of the Arusha Peace Agreement to the settlement of the Rwandan conflict and invites the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) to continue to cooperate fully with the United Nations in this regard;

[9. Urges all countries, in particular those of the region, to refrain from any action that would further exacerbate the situation in Rwanda;]

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9. Calls on all Member States, in particular neighbouring countries, acting individually or through regional organisations, to cooperate fully with the efforts of the United Nations and the OAU to bring about an end to the crisis in Rwanda;

10. Calls upon the parties [in particular the Rwandese Patriotic Front] to renew their commitment to [the peace process in Rwanda on the basis of] the Arusha Peace Agreement, and to accept the futility of a military solution to the political problem;

11. Calls also upon the parties to cooperate fully in ensuring the unimpeded delivery of humanitarian assistance to all in need throughout Rwanda and in this regard, appeals to the international community to provide increased humanitarian assistance commensurate with the scale of the human tragedy in Rwanda;

12. Affirms its commitment to preserving the unity and territorial integrity of Rwanda;

13. Invites the Secretary-General to continue to monitor the events in Rwanda and to report fully to the Council on the evolving situation and at least, not later than fifteen days after the adoption of this resolution;

14. Decides to remain actively seized of the matter.