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TAGS: PREL, UNSC, IZ, TU, SO, RW, BM, CB
SUBJECT: FRENCH VIEWS ON CURRENT UN ISSUES

REF: (A) STATE 204549
- (B) KAMPALA 5360

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SUMMARY

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
REVIEW AUTHORITY: JOHN L MILLS
DATE/CASE ID: 01 NOV 2007 200103014

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2. FRENCH EMBASSY POLITICAL COUNSELOR HERVE DE LA BATIE CALLED JULY 7 ON IO ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY GEORGE WARD TO PRESENT FRENCH VIEWS ON IRAQ, RWANDA, SOMALIA, BURMA AND CAMBODIA.

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ON RWANDA, DE LA BATIE URGED STRONG SUPPORT FOR UN PEACEKEEPING IN FOLLOW-UP TO UNSC RESOLUTION 846.

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END SUMMARY.

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IRAQ

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RWANDA

4. DE LA BATIE FOCUSED ON UNOMUR DEPLOYMENT AND THE STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT (SOFA) TO BE CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE UN AND UGANDA. HE SAID THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR IN KAMPALA HAD MADE A DEMARCHE ON THE UGANDAN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER SEEKING PROMPT ACTION ON THE SOFA. IN ADDITION,

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MUSEVENI HAD GIVEN ASSURANCES TO THE FRENCH AT A MEETING ON THE MARGINS OF THE CAIRO OAU MEETING THAT A SOFA WOULD SOON BE SIGNED. DE LA BATIE HAD THE IMPRESSION THAT THE UGANDAN PERMREP IN NEW YORK HAS BEEN THE PRIMARY OBSTACLE. HE ASKED IF THE U.S. WOULD BE WEIGHING IN WITH THE UGANDANS; WARD REPLIED THAT WE WILL MAKE A DEMARCHE IMMINENTLY IF IT HAS NOT ALREADY BEEN DELIVERED (SEE

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REFTEL B CONFIRMING THAT U.S. DEMARCHE IN KAMPALA WAS MADE JULY 6). DE LA BATIE FURTHER SAID THE FRENCH BELIEVE THAT THE FIRST ELEMENTS OF A UNOMUR CONTINGENT COULD BE DISPATCHED PRIOR TO THE SIGNING OF A SOFA. WARD CAUTIONED THAT A SOFA SHOULD BE IN PLACE BEFORE ANY ACTUAL DEPLOYMENT. (NOTE: DEPARTMENT ALSO UNDERSTANDS THAT THE SYG TOLD REGIONAL LEADERS ON THE MARGINS OF THE OAU SUMMIT THAT THE ARUSHA PEACE ACCORDS MUST BE SIGNED BEFORE A NEUTRAL INTERNATIONAL FORCE COULD BE DEPLOYED. END NOTE.)

5. DE LA BATIE THEN RAISED THE FRENCH PREFERENCE FOR UN MANAGEMENT OF PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS IN RWANDA, AS

OPPOSED TO ANY SIGNIFICANT OAU RESPONSIBILITY. HE COMMENTED THAT THE OAU DOES NOT HAVE THE CAPACITY TO ACT USEFULLY, AND THUS THE UN CANNOT ESCAPE A CENTRAL ROLE. DE LA BATIE SUMMED UP: "ARUSHA WAS A HARD-EARNED AGREEMENT AND WE CANNOT LET IT DIE." WARD RESPONDED BY NOTING U.S. CONCERNS ABOUT THE SEVERE BUDGETARY PRESSURE ON UN PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS. HE NOTED THAT THE RUSSIANS HAVE EXPRESSED RELUCTANCE TO SUPPORT ANY FURTHER UN PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS, AND THAT RWANDA IS A CASE WHERE VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS MAY BE NECESSARY. WARD ADDED THAT RWANDA SHOULD ALSO BE SEEN AS AN EXAMPLE WHERE REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, IN THIS CASE THE OAU, SHOULD BE ACTIVE IN COLLABORATING WITH THE UN.

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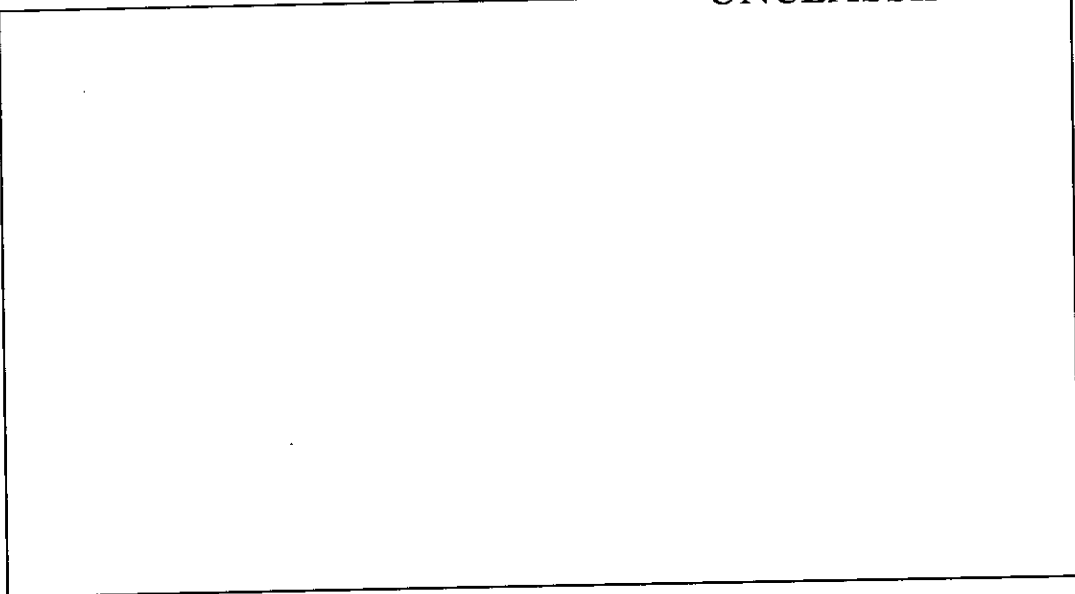
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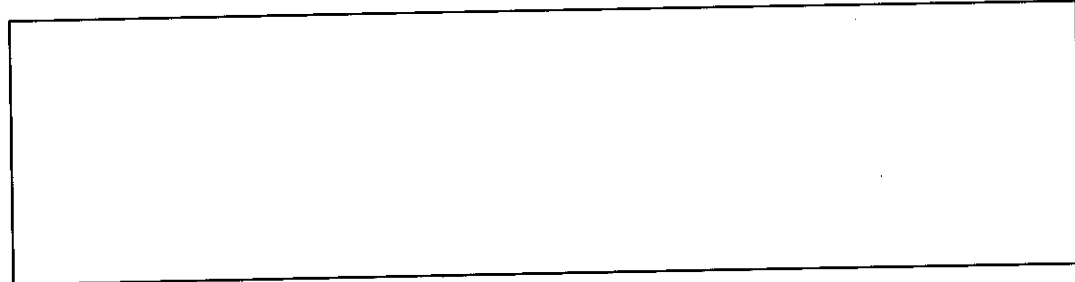
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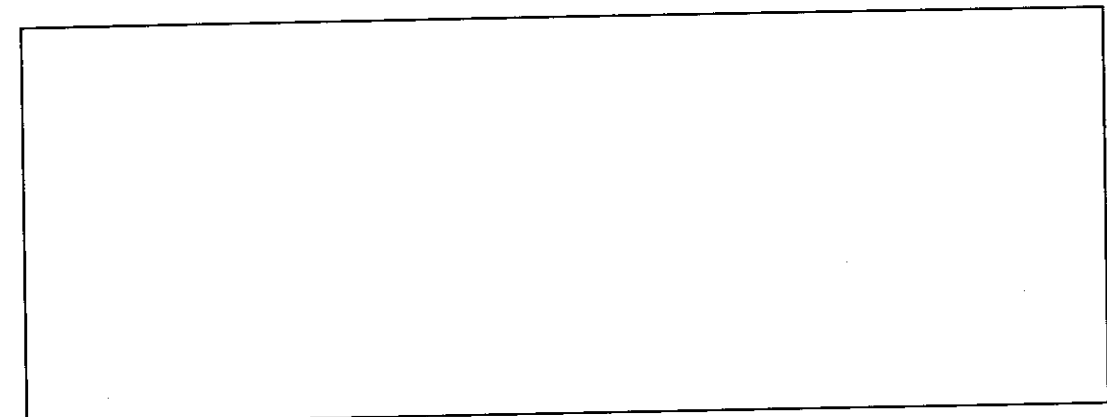
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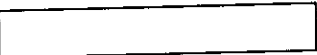
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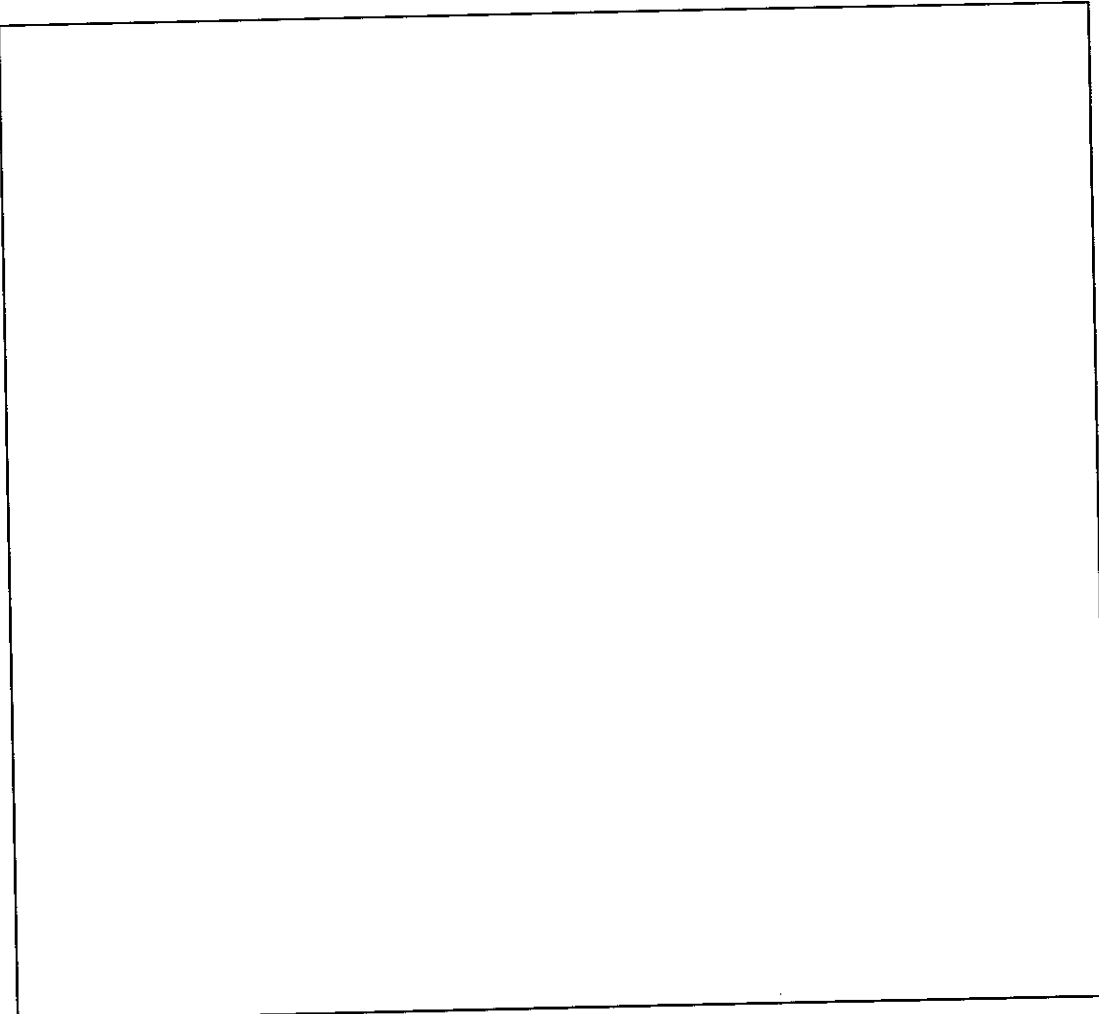


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FRENCH MFA PRESS REMARKS ON UNOSOM



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END TEXT OF FRENCH MFA PRESS REMARKS ON UNOSOM.

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