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1. PROVIDED BELOW IS THE TEXT OF THE RWANDA/BURUNDI
SITREP CIRCULATED IN THE DEPARTMENT FOR JUNE 7. THE
SITREP IS CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL.

2. BEGIN TEXT OF SITREP:

RWANDA/BURUNDI SITREP JUNE 7

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SITUATION ON THE GROUND

RWANDA

INTERIM GOVERNMENT FORCES AND MILITIAS REPORTEDLY HAVE
BEGUN TO STEP DOWN THEIR ATTACKS ON TUTSI CIVILIANS
BEHIND GOVERNMENT LINES AND ARE SENDING THEM TO
DISPLACEMENT CAMPS. SUCH A TURNABOUT COULD PRESAGE THE
GOVERNMENT'S END-GAME AND ATTEMPTS AT IMAGE REPAIR FOR AN
UPCOMING NEGOTIATIONS PHASE. (REUTER)

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UNAMIR COMMANDER DALLAIRE SAYS HIS FORCES EXPECT AN OUTFLOW OF 2 MILLION REFUGEES INTO BURUNDI AS THE RPF PUSHES INTERIM GOVERNMENT FORCES INTO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE COUNTRY. DALLAIRE WARNED RELIEF AGENCIES TO BEGIN PREPARING FOR THE HUMAN TIDAL WAVE AND ITS DESTABILIZING EFFECT ON BURUNDI. (REUTER)

PRESIDENTIAL GUARD UNITS ARE REPORTEDLY SETTING UP HEADQUARTERS IN BUTARE. (DART)

BURUNDI

(LOU) THE GOR HAS SENT THREE DIPLOMATIC NOTES TO THE BURUNDI GOVERNMENT PROTESTING ALLEGED INCURSIONS INTO RWANDA BY MEMBERS OF THE BURUNDI MILITARY AND BY "SUBVERSIVE" BURUNDI-BASED RWANDAN REFUGEES COLLABORATING WITH THE RPF. THE NOTES CLAIM THAT THE INVASIONS WERE FOLLOWED BY MASSACRES OF CIVILIANS IN BUTARE PREFECTURE.

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EMBASSY BUJUMBURA IS LOOKING INTO THE ALLEGATIONS.
(RWANDAN EMBASSY FAX/EMBASSY BUJ TELCON)

(LOU) THE EMBASSY IS INVESTIGATING UNCONFIRMED REPORTS OF INTER-ETHNIC VIOLENCE IN THE NORTHERN PROVINCES (NEAR RWANDA). THE BURUNDI FOREIGN MINISTER HAS CALLED ANOTHER ALL-PARTIES MEETING THIS AFTERNOON TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS ON PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION. EMBASSY BUJ EXPECTS SLOW GOING IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, GIVEN THE LONG LIST OF DEMANDS BY THE (TUTSI) OPPOSITION AND THE POLITICAL INEXPERIENCE OF THE PLAYERS.
(EMBASSY BUJ TELCON)

DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVES

UGANDAN PRESIDENT MUSEVENI URGED THE RPF TO ACCEPT A CEASE-FIRE AND WORK TOWARD POWERSHARING BECAUSE ITS RESOURCES WERE TOO LIMITED TO DEFEAT THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT DECISIVELY. MUSEVENI ALSO SAID HE HAD WRITTEN A LETTER TO SYG BOUTROS GHALI ASKING HIM TO DESIST FROM BRANDING UGANDA A PATRON OF THE RPF. (PANA)

(C) SENEGALESE PRESIDENT ABDOU DIOUF TOLD SECRETARY OF

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DEFENSE PERRY ON MAY 23 THAT HIS COUNTRY IS WILLING TO
CONTRIBUTE A MECHANIZED BATTALION TO UNAMIR IF IT CAN
OBTAIN MATERIEL AND LOGISTICAL SUPPORT. (SECDEF WASHDC
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(C) AMBASSADOR GELBER RECEIVED MIXED RESPONSES TO A JUNE
3 DEMARCHE FROM 12 AFRICAN COUNTRIES AT THE UN. NIGER
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SAID A TROOP CONTRIBUTION WAS "UNDER ACTIVE
CONSIDERATION" IN NIAMEY; MALI IS PREPARED TO PROVIDE 150
TROOPS; NAMIBIA OFFERED SEVERAL ANTI-MINE COMBAT VEHICLES
AND KENYA IS MULLING OVER SENDING A "SMALL CONTINGENT."
ON THE OTHER HAND, MOROCCO SAID NO TO THE REQUEST, CITING
SOUL-SEARCHING OVER ITS INVOLVEMENT IN SOMALIA, WHILE
TUNISIA SAID IT WOULD NOT INCREASE ITS CURRENT CONTINGENT
IN KIGALI UNTIL IT IS REIMBURSED FOR PAST PKO
PARTICIPATION. (USUN 002347)

THE RPF REPRESENTATIVE TO THE OAU MINISTERIAL IN TUNIS
SAID ON JUNE 6 THAT THE RPF OPPOSES ANY BUILDUP OF THE
UNAMIR FORCE BEYOND 2,000 SOLDIERS. (PANA)

(C) THE DRAFT RESOLUTION ON RWANDA BEFORE THE UN
SECURITY COUNCIL MET WITH VARIABLE RESISTANCE FROM THE
UK, NEW ZEALAND, AND CHINA. THE UK AND NEW ZEALAND
OBJECT TO THE OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH GOVERNING RULES OF
ENGAGEMENT AND SELF-DEFENSE, ARGUING THAT THE DETAILED
LANGUAGE IMPLIES A DIFFERENCE OR DEFICIENCY IN OTHER PKO
MANDATES. CHINA, MEANWHILE, OPPOSES OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS
DEALING WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HUMAN RIGHTS
COMMISSION. (USUN 002373)

(C) BURUNDI PRIME MINISTER KANYENKIKO TOLD UN SPECIAL
ENVOY ABDULLAH JUNE 3 THAT THE GRB OPPOSES THE TRANSIT OF
UNAMIR FORCES AND EQUIPMENT THROUGH BURUNDI, ALTHOUGH IT
WELCOMES THE TRANSIT OF HUMANITARIAN AID. FOREIGN
MINISTER NGENDAHAYO SAID THAT MILITARY SENSITIVITIES DO
NOT PERMIT THE PRESENCE OF FOREIGN TROOPS, HOWEVER
TRANSIENT.

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(BUJUMBURA 001947)

HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS

DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD SUPPLIES TO REFUGEES IN TANZANIA IS
CONSTRAINED BY TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS THAT PREVENT THE
BUILDUP OF STOCKS. AID AGENCIES SAY THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH
TRUCKS TO FERRY FOOD DELIVERIES BROUGHT IN BY RAIL FROM
DAR ES SALAAM TO REMOTE REFUGEE CAMPS. THE AIRPORT AT
MWANZA IS CLOSED UNTIL JUNE 9 TO REPAIR DAMAGE CAUSED BY
HEAVY USE. (DAR ES SALAAM 003589)

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