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1. BELOW IS GUIDANCE ON SOUTH AFRICA, RWANDA AND NIGERIA.  
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2. SOUTH AFRICA: AF - ELECTIONS  
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Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY REACTION TO MANDELA'S AND DE KLERK'S  
SPEECHES YESTERDAY?

A: THE GRACIOUS SPEECHES BY MR. MANDELA AND PRESIDENT DE  
KLERK YESTERDAY WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE SPIRIT OF  
NATIONAL RECONCILIATION THAT HAS CHARACTERIZED THESE  
ELECTIONS. WE APPLAUD BOTH LEADERS FOR THIS REAFFIRMATION  
OF THEIR COMMITMENT TO DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES.

Q: WHO WILL BE IN THE U.S. DELEGATION TO THE INAUGURATION  
OF THE NEW SOUTH AFRICA PRESIDENT?

A: WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE WHITE HOUSE MAY BE MAKING AN  
ANNOUNCEMENT ON THIS SUBJECT LATER TODAY.

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3. RWANDA: STATEMENT ON DOLLARS 15 MILLION FOR RWANDAN  
AND BURUNDI REFUGEES  
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STATEMENT BY CHRISTINE SHELLY, ACTING SPOKESMAN

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THE UNITED STATES WILL CONTRIBUTE DOLLARS 15 MILLION TO ASSIST THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN FORCES FROM THEIR HOMES BY THE  
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PRESENT VIOLENCE IN RWANDA AND BY EARLIER INTER-ETHNIC FIGHTING IN BURUNDI.

THIS FUNDING WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR), THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM (WFP), AND THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES (IFRC). THESE ORGANIZATIONS AND SETTING UP REFUGEE CAMPS AND PROVIDING FOOD, MEDICAL CARE, AND OTHER EMERGENCY SERVICES TO THE REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS.

OTHER U.S. ASSISTANCE WILL BE PROVIDED BY SAID'S OFFICE OF FOREIGN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (OFDA), FOOD FOR PEACE (FFP), AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT CONTRIBUTED DOLLARS 35 MILLION IN MARCH TO THE INTERNAITONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS (ICRC) FOR ITS EMERGENCY ACTIVITIES IN AFRICA. THE LARGEST OF THESE IS IN RWANDA. THE ICRC AND THE RWANDAN RED CROSS ARE CONTINUING UNDER TERRIBLE CONDITIONS TO PROVIDE PROTECTION AND HELP TO THE VICTIMS OF THE TRAGEDY ENFOLDING IN RWANDA.

THUS FAR, DURING THE CONFLICT, OVER A MILLION RWANDANS ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN DISPLACED FROM THEIR HOMES. APPROXIMATELY 250,000 RWANDANS HAVE FLED TO TANZANIA WITH AS MANY 300,000 MORE REPORTEDLY WAITING TO CROSS THE BORDER. ANOTHER 60,000 HAVE SOUGHT REFUGE IN BURUNDI, UGANDA, AND ZAIRE. HUMANITARIAN RELIEF REQUIREMENTS ARE STAGGERING.

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IN ADDITION, 200,000 BURUNDI REFUGEES, WHO HAD TAKEN REFUGE IN RWANDA FOLLOWING AN UNSUCCESSFUL COUP IN BURUNDI IN OCTOBER 1993, ARE REPORTED TO HAVE FLED BACK TO BURUNDI

SINCE THE VIOLENCE ERUPTED. AN ESTIMATED 65,000 BURUNDI REFUGEES REMAIN IN SOUTHERN RWANDA, AND 135,000 BURUNDI REFUGEES REMAIN IN TANZANIA AND ZAIRE. IN 1993, THE U.S. MADE AVAILABLE DOLLARS 5 MILLION TO RESPOND TO THE INITIAL NEEDS OF THESE REFUGEES FROM BURUNDI.

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4. RWANDA: RP - REFUGEES  
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Q. WOULD YOU PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THE RWANDAN REFUGEE CRISIS? IS THE BORDER WITH TANZANIA CLOSED?

A. WE HAVE NO NEW INFORMATION ON FURTHER REFUGEE MOVEMENTS FROM RWANDA THIS MORNING. ACCORDING TO THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR) AT LEAST 250,000 RWANDANS HAVE CROSSED THE BORDER INTO TANZANIA.

THE FLOW OF REFUGEES AT THE BORDER CROSSING INTO TANZANIA AT RUSUMO CAME TO A HALT LATE SATURDAY WHEN RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT (RF) FORCES TOOK CONTROL OF THE BRIDGE.

AT LEAST 60,000 OF OTHER RWANDAN REFUGEES HAVE FLED TO BURUNDI, UGANDA, AND ZAIRE.

Q. WHAT IS THE US DOING TO HELP?  
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. THE US ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT IT IS MAKING DOLLARS 15 MILLION AVAILABLE TO THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR), THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM (WFP), AND THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE RED CROSS (IFRC) TO SUPPORT THEIR ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOR THE REFUGEES.

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OUR REFUGEE OFFICER AT THE US EMBASSY IN DAR ES SALAAM VISITED THE RWANDA/TANZANIAN BORDER OVER THE WEEKEND TO ASSESS THE NEEDS.

Q. WHAT IS BEING DONE TO CARE FOR THE REFUGEES

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A. A UNHCR EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM IS ALREADY IN NGARA IN TANZANIA. THEY ARE OPENING CAMPS FOR THE REFUGEES AND BRINGING TENTS, PLASTIC SHEETING, JERRY CANS FOR WATER, AND OTHER SUPPLIES INTO THE AREA.

THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE RED CROSS (IFRC) AND UNCLASSIFIED

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THE TANZANIAN RED CROSS ARE ASSISTING UNHCR IN THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF THE REFUGEE CAMPS. THEY WILL REGISTER REFUGEES, PROVIDE PREVENTATIVE HEALTH CARE, AND DISTRIBUTE FOOD AND OTHER SUPPLIES.

THIRTY NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGOS) ARE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN WORKING WITH UNHCR TO ASSIST THE REFUGEES IN TANZANIA.

MANY OF THE REFUGEES IN TANZANIA ARRIVED WITH A FEW DAYS SUPPLY OF FOOD. THERE IS A LAKE NEARBY WHICH WILL PROVIDE WATER AT LEAST FOR A WHILE.

THE UNITED NATIONS WORLD FOOD PROGRAM (WFP) IS ORGANIZING FOOD SUPPLIES FOR THE REFUGEES IN TANZANIA AS WELL AS FOR THOSE IN BURUNDI, ZAIRE, AND UGANDA, AND FOR DISPLACED PERSONS INSIDE RWANDA.

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4. RWANDA: STATEMENT BY CHRISTINE SHELLY, ACTING SPOKESMAN  
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JOHN SHATTUCK VISIT TO AREA

IN RESPONSE TO INCREASING CONCERN OVER THE TRAGIC HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN RWANDA AND TO UNDERLINE THE NEED TO STOP THE BLOODSHED IN THAT COUNTRY, THE PRESIDENT HAS ASKED JOHN SHATTUCK, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS, TO TRAVEL TO THE REGION. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY DAVID RAWSON, THE U.S.

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AMBASSADOR TO RWANDA, AND BRUNSON MCKINLEY, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR REFUGEE PROGRAMS.

DURING THE TRIP, MR. SHATTUCK WILL CONSULT WITH SEVERAL REGIONAL LEADERS TO SUPPORT RENEWED NEGOTIATIONS AIMED AT A LASTING PEACE IN RWANDA. HE WILL MEET WITH SALIM A.

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SALIM, THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF

AFRICAN UNITY (OAU). HE WILL MEET WITH OFFICIALS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF TANZANIA, FACILITATOR OF THE ARUSHA PEACE NEGOTIATIONS. MR. SHATTUCK WILL ALSO TRAVEL TO KAMPALA TO MEET WITH KEY OFFICIALS THERE AND VISIT BUJUMBURA TO CONSULT WITH OFFICIALS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF BURUNDI. IN ADDITION, MR. SHATTUCK IS PREFARED TO MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA AND THE RWANDA PATRIOTIC FRONT (RPF).

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5. RWANDA: AF - VISITS  
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Q: WHAT IS THE ITINERARY FOR THE TRIP BY A/S SHATTUCK, AMBASSADOR RAWSON, AND DAS MCKINLEY?

A: BECAUSE OF UNCERTAINTIES ASSOCIATED WITH MEETINGS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN TODAY IN ARUSHA, TANZANIA, THE ITINERARY FOR THE DELEGATION IS NOT YET FIRM. WE WILL RELEASE FURTHER INFORMATION WHEN IT IS AVAILABLE.

Q: WHAT WILL THE DELEGATION BE DOING IN THE AREA?

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A: THE DELEGATION INTENDS TO CONSULT WITH NEIGHBORING GOVERNMENTS AND WITH THE OAU REGARDING WAYS TO STOP THE MASSACRES IN RWANDA, TO ACHIEVE A CEASE-FIRE AND RETURN TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE, TO PREVENT A SPREAD OF THE CONFLICT, AND TO PROTECT AND ASSIST REFUGEES.

IN BURUNDI, THE DELEGATION WILL EXPRESS APPRECIATION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BURUNDI AND ITS MILITARY FOR THE SUPPORT PROVIDED DURING THE EVACUATION OF EXPATRIATES FROM RWANDA.

Q: WILL A/S SHATTUCK AND HIS PARTY VISIT REFUGEES WHILE IN TANZANIA?

A: THE DELEGATION'S ITINERARY WITHIN TANZANIA IS STILL BEING DEVELOPED.

Q: WILL THE PARTY TRAVEL TO RWANDA?

A: NO.

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Q: WILL THE A/S OR HIS DELEGATION PARTICIPATE IN THE ARUSHA TALKS?

A: U.S. AMBASSADOR TO TANZANIA PETER DE VOS WILL BE AT THE TALKS; AMBASSADOR RAWSON WILL ALSO PARTICIPATE.

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 6. RWANDA - IO - REFUGEES  
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Q. PLEASE PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON FIGHTING AND DEATH TOLL. IS THE US PROPOSING AN ALL AFRICAN PEACEKEEPING FORCE UNDER UN AUSPICES? WILL THE US HELP FUND SUCH A FORCE? UP TO HOW MUCH? DID THE ARUSHA TALKS RESUME TODAY? WHAT IS THE STATUS OF UN SECURITY COUNCIL DELIBERATIONS ON RWANDA?

A. SPORADIC, SOMETIMES HEAVY FIGHTING CONTINUES IN KIGALI AND OTHER PARTS OF RWANDA. THERE HAS BEEN NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN THE LOCATION AND DISPOSITION OF THE RPF AND GOVERNMENT FORCES IN KIGALI. WE HAVE NO UPDATE ON EARLIER ESTIMATES FROM RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS IN RWANDA THAT WELL OVER 100,000 RWANDANS HAVE BEEN KILLED.

WE HAVE INDICATED OUR READINESS TO CONSIDER PROPOSALS FROM AFRICAN OR OTHER COUNTRIES TO CONTRIBUTE TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE EFFORTS IN RWANDA. IT IS PREMATURE TO PREDICT THE SIZE OR COST OF SUCH AN EFFORT.

ON APRIL 30, THE SECURITY COUNCIL ISSUED A PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT CALLING FOR COORDINATED INTERNATIONAL ACTION TO HELP BRING PEACE TO RWANDA, TO ALLEVIATE THE SUFFERING OF THE RWANDAN PEOPLE, AND TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF VIOLENCE TO NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES. THE COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED TO MEET AGAIN THIS AFTERNOON TO CONSIDER FURTHER ACTION.

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 7. NIGERIA - AF - FULL PAGE ADVERTISEMENTS  
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Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON THE FULL-PAGE ADVERTISEMENTS THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT HAS RUN IN THE NEW

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YORK TIMES AND THE WASHINGTON POST?

A. WE ARE PLEASED THAT THE MILITARY REGIME CONTINUES TO PROMISE A TRANSITION TO DEMOCRACY. BUT PROMISES ARE NOT ENOUGH. CONCRETE STEPS TOWARD DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT, UNHINDERED BY MILITARY INTERVENTION, ARE ESSENTIAL. THESE STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY OR EQUIVOCATION.

THE REGIME'S PROMISES CONCERNING RESPECT FOR FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS HAVE NOT BEEN BORNE OUT BY ITS ACTIONS. THE PRESS, PARTICULARLY, HAS BEEN SUBJECTED TO INCREASING HARASSMENT OF LATE. THIS HARASSMENT SHOULD CEASE IMMEDIATELY.

Q: BUT ISN'T THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE A CONCRETE STEP TOWARD CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT?

A. THE MEETING, ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF THIS YEAR, HAS NOT YET TAKEN PLACE. THE POWERS OF THE CONFEREES HAVE NOT YET BEEN ESTABLISHED. THE MILITARY REGIME HAS NOT YET INDICATED THE EXTENT TO WHICH IT WILL ACCEPT THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE CONFEREES.

WE WILL WATCH THIS EVENT CLOSELY TO SEE WHETHER IT BECOMES ONE OF THE CONCRETE STEPS WE ARE SEEKING.

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 8. NIGERIA - INM - DRUG TRAFFICKING  
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 Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON THE ISSUE OF NARCOTICS CONTROL AS RAISED IN THE ADVERTISEMENT PLACED IN THE NYTIMES AND THE WASHINGTON POST BY THE GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA?

A. IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FULL CERTIFICATION, NIGERIA MUST TAKE MEANINGFUL AND COMMITTED ACTION AGAINST NIGERIAN CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING. WE HAVE COMMUNICATED THIS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA.

THE USG WILL EVALUATE NIGERIA'S PERFORMANCE TO CONTROL DRUG TRAFFICKING AND MONEY LAUNDERING, AND IMPROVE ITS LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION, ASSET SEIZURE, EXTRADITION AND MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE, AND DRUG TREATMENT EFFORTS. THESE AREAS ARE IDENTIFIED IN THE 1988 U.N. CONVENTION AGAINST ILLICIT TRAFFIC IN NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC

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SUBSTANCES.

IN ADDITION, WE WILL EXPECT IMPROVEMENT IN PREVENTING AND PROSECUTING THE OFFICIAL CORRUPTION THAT ENCOURAGES AND FACILITATES DRUG TRAFFICKING.

WE ALSO EXPECT NIGERIA TO DEVELOP INTELLIGENCE ON NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATIONS BASED WITHIN ITS BORDERS, TO TAKE INDEPENDENT ACTION AGAINST THOSE ORGANIZATIONS TO DISRUPT THEIR INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS, AND TO SHARE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

COMMUNITY INFORMATION ON THE OPERATIONS OF THOSE ORGANIZATIONS IN OTHER COUNTRIES.

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