

1992

David Rawson Notes: Rwanda's Political Parties in 1992

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04 Jan 93 Dar 22 Talha Deadlocked on CDR issue

3. Issue of the participation of CDR participation in the Cabinet remains the stumbling block. The RPF is adamant in its refusal to include the CDR.

4. The RPF has hinted privately that they would be willing to accept CDR participation in the TA provided the CDR agreed to abide by the conditions laid down for political participation by the bishops i.e. forswearing violence, sectarianism etc

#3 / The government is stating that no agreement can work if significant forces are excluded from participation.

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#2 ^{same in MEND} MDR PL PSD leaders agree that a policy of reconciliation implies inclusion in the government but have ^{not} shown a willingness to offer much incentives to the humiliated former single party.

16. Public support would be counterproductive to efforts to bring the President and his party along.

West. Front. essential to bring MEND into fold and useful to reopen the basic protocol.

11. Friends observers as a group up to their ears in this including having made the suggestion that ends up as the final promoter

6. ER they had tried ~~by~~ with Oct. 30 accord and had not been treated fairly by opposition

1311192 Jul 92 JareEs Saluan 03989 Interim Report on the

Luanda Ceasefire Negotiations

p. 2 fitful progress .. partial agreement on a timetable for implementation of the ceasefire prior truce

language for agenda on establishment of dem. & rule of law formation of unified army installation of power sharing within the framework of a transitional government on an enlarged basis

unresolved:

- question of a buffer zone
- relation between ceasefire and signature of a comprehensive peace accord
- monitoring of a temporary truce
- creation of a mixed commission
- composition of the mixed military observer group

Observers OAU Senegal DRC Uganda Burundi Nigeria Tanzania France Bot US

Nigeria conciliatory opening remarks

Bizimungu polemical cease hostilities after structures for political settlement and effective mechanisms no plan to enforce the ceasefire

morning session reviewed UN role par by par talked amendments - RPF is a composite ceasefire draft

Chair next that Formin Diria usual

second session until 6 PM

comparison over texts score neg. points rather than focus on substance (a game RPF won hands down) long winded intervention by Diria, OAU & African observers That missed to mark was after Don Day but

p. 3. at issue is mechanism to monitor the temporary truce. U.S.

France and Belgium del. working on issue & intend to press RPF

p. 7. to accept, ^{at a minimum,} early establishment of a mixed commission

characterize Luanda del. notes

Paris

Paris 15/52. p. 1

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Rwandan Paris Talks Conclude on Positive Note

Following three days of direct closed door meetings, the Paris preparatory meetings between the Rwandan government and the the Rwandan Patriotic front concluded June 8 with a joint communiqué and press conference.

Agreement to meet July 10-12 to discuss ceasefire and democratization

Mobutu's ~~role~~ ^{role} as mediator

ambivalence to US & France for support of negotiated
remain serious differences between parties concerning
continued existence of AGL as it is currently constituted and
modalities for integration of the militia

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Democracy update

p. 3. Brussels parties meet the press ¶7. The tone of the meetings was not as hostile toward president and the MRND as some previous meetings have been. On the question of whether it should resign PSD rep. said "The problem is not Habyarimana. It is primarily dictatorship of Habyarimana accepts the solution of democracy, there is no problem.

¶8. MRND deputies deplored the fact that Rwandans no longer speak the same language. In the beginning, all Rwandans spoke of a common enemy; the Inyenzi - Inkotanyi. Today certain Rwandans present the Inkotanyi as their brothers ... the authorities ^{in the prefectures} who are closest to the ~~people~~ population, have stated that they are in favor of maintaining the laissez-passer in the interests of the people. But the government, ~~has refused to implement~~ ^{by alienating} ~~the~~ laissez-passer, has refused to implement the will of the people. This is contrary to democracy ... The government must

negotiate peace and must do it with Museveni
clarifying the word "laissez-passer" which is not a neutral word.

laissez-passer has not led to the arrest of a single RPF

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Requête conjointe du Gouvernement Rwandais et du
Front Patriotique Rwandais adressée au Secrétaire Général
des Nations Unies relative à la Mise en Place d'une Force
Internationale Neutre au Rwanda

Mission

Prélevement des troupes déployées ailleurs

Mission

1. Garantir la neutralité générale
2. Assurer la sécurité des distributions des aides humanitaires
3. Continuer à assurer la sécurité de la population civile
4. Continuer à la recherche des caches d'armes
et munitions des bandes armées
5. Effectuer opérations de ménage
6. Contribuer à la récupération de toutes les armes
distribué à la population
7. Contrôler le respect par les deux parties des
modalités de cessation définitive des hostilités
telles que contenues dans l'accord de Paris.

Arusha le 11 juin 1993

29 May 92

Kigali 02184 Political Party Clashes Team Urgent
PM holds Kigali Prefect and Gendarmerie Responsible
Manda by MRND Youth Interhamed demands
resignation of Justin Mugenzi ^{for initiating violence} and dismissal of Nqabizwezi
for not denouncing false statements by Mugenzi's

Interparty tensions due to govt efforts to end the war.

p.3 "The President sincerely wants the war to end... There are
those around him who are not fully behind the initiatives of

De Roux N. First time clashes have escalated to prolonged violence

5. causes for tension are multigenic
 demobilization story
 mutual accusations Mugenzi/Nyirumpatsa
 Paris meeting in Brussels & joint communication
 & provocation of the regime & RPF, the MRND &
 the MRND front.

24 Jul 92 92 Kite 23771 Planned Meeting with Kanyangut
 French agitated about reports of an imminent RPF offensive
 Tell K not to launch new mil initiative
 Same message to 602
 - Exhilarated
 Importance of Jul 26 JPMC

19 ~~Jul~~ ^{June} 92 92 Kigali 02550 Rwandan Plea for Help.
~~Pres H & FM Nyirumpatsa requested~~
 1. requested additional U.S. diplomatic ^{intervention} ~~assistance~~ with U.S.
 to press RPF to negotiate rather than attack
 RPF benefits from NRT ^{logistical support & supply} ~~network~~
 was put process of democracy in some danger
 requested U.S. military assistance, first time in 15 months
 Western powers should be able to help resolve African conflict

Comment

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President H & his coalition govt had merited
 a great deal of hope in assurance given to AS Coh
 by U.S. & RPF. Serious appears to them that these
 assurance have been violated, they want the AS &
 especially AS Coh to call the 604 & the RPF on their
 failure to live up to their promises.

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The apparent solidarity of the two leaders encourage any hopes
 to be resurrected. takes on add sig. as the military sit. deteriorates

24 July

Kigali 1934 Rwandan Reaction to Arusha Accord

limited with hope tempered with skepticism
reports of peace violations
negotiated commencing by CDR
p.1 suspicious about Motives of RPF
suspicion about timing of President H. Huye to Euzou

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hard change that many people in the MRND
believe that the govt. gave away too much.

would this magnanimous position be sufficient to demonstrate
p.1 sincerity, ... All would depend on how the RPF
defines issues underlying the principles. Exposed fear that
RPF might be negotiating what it demands.

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MRND solidly behind the Arusha Accord

PL - amend the constitution prior to elections

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Coalition for the Defense of the Republic CDR has come out
strongly against the Arusha Accord - denounced every
aspect point by point - accused the GDR delegation of accepting
all RPF demands without getting any RPF concessions
Uganda should be party to the accord.
conclude at the time

denounced principle for political discussion as precedent

RPF should not have priority in MOG or JAME

CDR part of next delegation & join the govt in RPF doc