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David Rawson Notes: How the Political Parties of Rwanda Negotiate

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RPF Attack

4. ~~Restore ceasefire~~ Our first objective is to try to restore the ceasefire
8. Timing hard to understand - steps well advanced to breaking the impasse ... The wrenching, ended of the last two weeks of ethnic violence may seem date a major episode if the RPF continues to push to the center of the country and particularly into MKWD and CDR heartland in Rukengeri + Nisingi.

09 Jan 93 State OO-6775 Amusha Protocol to be signed

2. Mpenge called DAS Byuki to advise that CDR + RPF would sign a protocol of agreement January 9

4. Portfolio ^{MRND} 5⁺ plus President RPF 5 MRND 4 PSD 3 PL 3
PDC - 1 RPF privately confirmed they would not object to MRND giving portfolio to a CDR member.

5. To humbly out "I call MRND RPF MRND PSD PL 1
4-PDC 1 - to other parties including CDR must pledge to ethic and "behave accordingly"

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07 Jan 93 Secstate 4773 Rwandan Peace Talks

- 2 60R RPF intend to sign protocol
5 MRND 5 RPF RPF has implied some participation
by CDR in both cabinet & legislature
unfortunately reaction in Kigali suggests protocol may
be repudiated before it is signed
(one seat could go to CDR personally)
- 4 RPF conceded participation of CDR in the legislature

08 Jan 93 Kigali 0083 Kigali awaits the Protocol.

4. Direct. of Inform. wrote to PM asking not to sign protocol.
5. MRND Press conference will not participate
in government in which it has no role.
MDR/PL/PSD & RPF bloc has majority in
ignores religious leaders in CDR & dist. of portfolios
14. Under this formula MRND + PDC = 6 + Press; other
bloc has 15.
15. This automatic 2/3 that President Luv consistently opposed

11 Jan 93 Kigali 01100 Reactions to Arusha Protocol.

- 2 MRND at modest rally report non-participation plus
MDR/PL public welcome statement Press may
hard opinion of opposition power or accepting protocol.
6. Ruhigira. Frustrated with 30 Oct accords to residual
differences but had not be treated fairly by "opposition"
11. French observer said observers in group add up to less
in this case including having made the suggestion that

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19 Jan 93 Kigali 151 Arusha Protocol. Further reactions

2. President & Party are angry; some see no alternative to accepting & seeking to improve the terms; MDR, PL, ASD leaders .. have shown little willingness to ff incentives to humiliated former single party

18 inter party negotiations: reshuffle ministries
compromise on territorial adm.
formula for consensus
inner cabinet
replace PM & FM
ratification process acceptable to all

19. Gatsuzizi offered long range view. prefer Tutu to Kony at interim because of a K-CDR connection

20. Whether MRND will have role in future govt.

23. Whether anything is agreed without some formal role for CDR
Rwandans are stalling at brinkmanship. They will probably
mix some political wisdom, various forms of threats with serious
discussion to arrive at a tentative agreement.

27 Jan 93 Kigali 338 President Habyarimana Plans to visit

p. 8 from the establishment of the Con 1978 until his decision to move to Goma in 1990, p. 10

Under the period of local party rule, local officials were both party leaders and administrators. Now, the all powerful administrators from 1973 common into the modern era is the most painful part of the democratization process. Without their change, the opposition parties fear to go to elections which had traditionally been manipulated by the bourgeoisie. With govt dominated by opposition President fears his local agents will be removed and he & his family exposed to marginalization

He overruled military summit & Social Dialogue

~~NPB trip cancelled~~

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30 Jan 93 ~~Anti~~ State 29560 Arusha Negotiations

2. Pous + PM finally agree to meet
Haby cancelled trip to NB 03
First parties invite RPF to meet outside Arusha to
reconcile disagreement
At Arusha RPF demands security guarantees.
International Human Rights Commission shows graphic video
in Germany, Belgium, France, Canada + U.S.
MRND which fomented recent violence may have overplayed hand
and lost sympathy for "marginalization"
6. Haby would not be received by B. or anyone else because
public reaction to recent violence and press influence of HR Comm
in Brussels Jan 27.
7. RPF wants guarantees v. massacres ^{stop}, be investigated, not receive
negotiation must be binding on all ^{political} forces
citizenship for all refugees
protocols precedence over constitution
8. RPF security demands
Bourgeoisie paid
Head of Hand. replaced
Hand under PM
Military prosecuted
Foreign troops withdrawn
Death Squads dismantled
10. RPF in untenable position of being relentlessly killed while
they negotiate
beginning position of MRND + CDR eroded
08 Feb - RPF attacks