



David Rawson Collection on the Rwandan Genocide

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David Rawson Notes: August to September 1994

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Note June 21, 06

21 Aug 95 USNN 03185 Bosnia Briefing Abri LT/Kontor

Ghali 8/18 met. - registered concern about

guidelines in Secretariat Legal Office - SFG says much

is Goldstone - does not want office in Arusha - no Friends less

than useful for Rwandan tribunal

22 Aug 95 USNN 03205 - War Crimes Tribunals Jean Claude
Ghali + David Sheffer met Arusha
105 to RCG raise further i. print press to back guidelines, regular
~~regular~~ reporting, registration, security, accelerate hiring, support
office in The Hague.

20 Aug 95 state 224856 Establishment of UN War Crimes

3. Tribunals for Rwanda - all except during "institutions
of international character should be created to deal with
genocide & other crimes committed in Rwanda. Amici
want to expand all other remedies including prosecution by
~~Rwandan~~ Rwandan domestic courts with int'l assistance.

4. Buij K. in Kampala. War Crimes in Djibouti last - each
support for creation of int'l. tribunals

5. Talking pts. ^{response commands by ECY - Buckingham Body of law in this area} Rwandan govt. official on humanitarian basis ^{area avoid} accepted proposal The IT judge more responsible for genome ^{separate} in near term duty to prosecutions by int'l court,

shift focus in crimes to The stability of region
help should be given to help Rwanda create fair impartial justice
system

5(b) text of Rwandan letter - not even puts minister name.

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24 Aug. 94 State 228408 Demand for Int'l Tribunal in Rwanda

5. Special Rapporteur has reported consistent evidence that
genocides & crimes against humanity were committed in Rwanda
we expect answers in 6 weeks promptly since interim report
recommend ITTIC

do not need work up SP.

ITA on avoid problems of bias, informants, ethnic issues

quest - ITTIC by mid Sept
world awaits your conclusion on what crimes should be committed
urge Commission to issue interim report recommend

The establishment of an initial tribunal #5140

24 Aug 94 USUN 03495 IYW Deputy Legal Counsel - Jacklin -

from two separate anti-fascist - common infrastructure
tribunal in Africa

resists any action in a tribunal before Comm had made
recommendation to Nations

26 Aug 94 USUN 03538 - message to UN Legal Counsel - conveyed loud & clear
he would come to commission once of answer.

30 Aug 94 State 234040 Establishment of a War Crimes Tribunal for

Rwanda - both views: - uniformity of treatment
~~8/30~~ trials in Africa - reduction
Nix 3 tier project effect

Repbul. avoid creating separate inconsistent bodies & forever
and avoid delays - excellent prosecutor could make trial
philosophy & commitment of Nations counts is unimpeachable

~~30 Aug 94~~ USUN 035949
Chairman on board with US overall
10 Sep 94 USUN/W update 01 to Alfonso 0-8. Russia, held out for 2 separate tribunals
~~8/30~~ Alfonso to raise in WSCC 2

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Notes from 21, 06

01 Sep 94 State 23 9220 des estab. war crimes trib for Rwanda
linked to ~~ITY~~ as soon as Commission issues report

11 Sep 94 State 245423 Proposed UN Security Council Resolution
Authorizing, Detention of Suspected War Crimes Criminals
States have authority to detain persons who instigate
attacks in their territories (refugee camps) Some claim
they need ~~the~~ NSC authority to detain persons suspected
of war crimes, genocide or other violations of int'l
humanitarian law

said at P-4 re draft - via RIS "matter of extreme urgency"
Council should act in next few days.

13 Sep 94 USUN 003815 - Proposed UN Sec.

UK, France, Russia, not pick - - Lacié - Khan Chp. III
suspending procedure to detain authorizes - superrogating ^{for} ~~with~~ ^{from} ~~from~~ accept

20 Sep 94 USUN 003943 - New Zealand - leaning toward ^{Rwanda War Crimes Tribunal} trials & separate
trib. - African want their own ~~the~~ uncomfortable about
changing law. USUN Legal Ad. task force

23 Sep 94 USUN 04014 Rwanda War Crimes

(not covered P-5 Legal Advisors)

France + Russia - legally separate entity

UK, China - open mind

(not) - leaned toward France / Russia - changing ITT - states don't
universally accept

US - some & expedited

27 Sep 94 USUN - Shattuck Visit

p. 14 - reports of Mass-killing - very interested in Detent.

p. 16 - Mazi said he supported fair concept of trial - trial in Rwanda would oblige
p. 17 - complains about human rights agencies

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quarrel estate.