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David Rawson Notes: Rwanda Not Being Given Attention

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7 Oct. 93 ~~USAID~~ State 306734 Perm 5 Foreign Ministers

Meeting with UN Secretary General Boutros-Boutros Ghali Splinterist

R No mention of Rwanda in meeting or in Non-paper of 31 Sept dated September 30, 1993

7 Oct 93 State ~~306730~~ 306916 - Rwanda - Approval of Resolution
Mission is mandated to vote for s. committee on Rwanda

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Will advance goals of peaceful conflict resolution & democratization
return of Rwandans who have fled homes.

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tightly focused mandate -
support will depend on substantial progress -
My govt will continue to monitor and work to reduce costs & personnel
levels throughout this peacekeeping operation and will
look forward to the report of the Secretary General called for
in the resolution on ways to reduce UNAMIR's levels

3/12 Oct 31153 and to contain costs
State 130450
D(B1148)

19 Oct 93 State 318516 U.S. Submission For NATO Africa Experts Meeting

Aug 84 34 months of hostilities and sometimes intense fighting
at least 10,000 killed, 1 million casualties
50 other. result - withdrawal assistance mission to

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monitor ceasefire, demobilization & integration of rival forces
and refugee repatriation.
side moved to victory when key leaders became
convinced that victory was impossible
govt. out fought in battle field by RPF and may have
collapsed if not for the aid of a small French contingent in the
capital. The RPF could not win a total victory
because of its vulnerability to reprisals by the Hutu majority
The stalemate forced a year of talks that fostered good working

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relations among parties and led to detailed agreements on the composition of the govt. military integration and repatriation of Tutsi refugees.

both sides see UN as honest broker

RPF 40% of 13,000 army 2/3 officers to battalions level.

The greatest threat to peace probably comes from those, including close Hutu/Rwanda associates and relatives, who enjoyed power & privilege in the one-party state. So far, Rwanda Hutus and Tutsis appear committed to resolving these problems and keeping inter-ethnic peace.

③ 27 OCT 93 State 271823 Rwandan President meets with US Waines

5. President H: said present atmosphere is peaceful; both GOR & RPF committed to peace UN welcome.

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President said that ^{UN 346 planned to ask France to contribute troops;} given Belgium's colonial past in the region, he felt it was important ~~that~~ that Belgium not be the only ~~one~~ European country to participate in the peacekeeping force. see also state 313040 p.8

④ 24 Nov. 93 state ³⁵⁵⁰³³ ~~240352~~ Meeting ~~US~~ US-French Bilaterals on Africa

13. DAs Birdwell noted that for both the US and the UN the deterioration of the situation in Somalia meant that participation in future peacekeeping efforts would only occur when a situation met very stringent guidelines. This Somali "cloud" hangs over current subregional efforts in Burundi and Rwanda and drives a requirement to develop a "low tech" peacekeeping capability.

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Bushell noted that OAU needed French support now as there is no way to gain experience except by gaining experience and there are, as noted above, few alternatives.

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⑦ 13 Dec. 93 State 374375 He said, Elle said: PPF inyamba, Amb. Uwimana point fingers.

4. Govt & MEND deliberate attempt to delay or sabotage peace process. - which recent evidence

RPF laments refugee marginalization which RPF considers crucial to success of the peace accord

R deliberate campaign over Radio Rwanda to link RPF to Burundi cong implicated possib & reported killings

RPF want to see BBTG formed as soon as possible so they can participate in decision-making process and have a say in some matters recent security ~~issues~~ problems.

Uwina accused RPF of violence

Rwanda Dip Note 3893 6.10.1992 summary of Pres. Haby.

speech of 25 Sept. p.5. reason will prevail and

The Rwandan pp. will soon have the occasion to express its preferences by free elections.

normal course of negotiations ... for the end of war, competition for access to power must be, in that regard, be crowned by elections

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204 17 June 92 Kigali 2481 Election - planning, UNDP coordination

4. President hoped to hold elections in late July or early Aug.
 PM has not scheduled debate on election laws.
~~the~~ advisors predicted it would take at least six months
 after completion of the laws before fair elections could be held.

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30 Sep 93 Sec State ^{DSEC} rpt. of USUN 4764 SC Pressure ~~Building~~ ^{Building} to
Approve Rwandan PKO

- P 2. Support in the Council is strong for moving quickly
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15 Sep 93 state 281611 French Embassy accepts in with
Deput on Rwanda NIF:

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 } that would give NMO6 funds on experience

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9. Share U.S. concern about ~~per~~ costs

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03 Sep 93 Sec state 270679 AIS Moore meeting with Belgian Ambassador

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7. Cassien said Belgium is pleased with Anshu's declaration
 and is ready to contribute financially to peace keep/demot process

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17 Aug 93 Sec state 250796 Talking Points for Meeting with French on
Rwanda

- R 2. We do not want to rule out involvement of by UNH or its NMO6 forces
 We are actively disarming R NIF within our zone. Final decision cannot

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Supports peace process but like other members want to ensure that scarce resources are used wisely

OAU should play important role in helping implement
US strongly supports efforts to enhance the peacekeeping capabilities of regional organizations

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12 Aug 93 State 246560 10 Monthly Policy Cable - UN Peacekeeping Operations

R Clinton Admin conducting comprehensive review PRD-13
10/PHU Manage US policy re UN peacekeeping security ^{equitable burden}
US seeks multilateral actions where possible appropriate draw
Admin. support for greater UN role

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30 June 93 State 197863 } OK to release

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16 Jul 93 State 216724 French Views on PKO in Rwanda
UN led NIF essential to peace process.

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Assessed financing because responsibility of int'l community
Internal budgetary rules prevent GOF voluntary contributions to
int'l PKO's