4.A.7. TD Kigali, December 19, 1990, Joint Report of the Resident Ambassadors of the EEC

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SUBJECT: JOINT REPORT OF THE RESIDENT AMBASSADORS OF THE E.E.C. IN RWANDA. -

DURING A MEETING ON DECEMBER 19, THE EEC AMBASSADORS IN KIGALI (GERMANY, FRANCE, AND BELGIUM), AS WELL AS THE DELEGATE FROM THE COMMUNITY, APPROVED THE FOLLOWING JOINT REPORT ON THE SITUATION IN RWANDA.

QUOTATION:

"DRAFT JOINT REPORT

1. – THE AMBASSADORS OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES AND THE DELEGATE FROM THE EEC COMMISSION IN KIGALI, MEETING IN EUROPEAN POLITICAL COOPERATION, DISCUSSED THE CURRENT PREVAILING SITUATION IN RWANDA ON DECEMBER 19, 1990. IN LIGHT OF RECENT EVENTS, THEY HAVE FOUND, IN PARTICULAR:



- A RESUMPTION OF MILITARY INCURSIONS INTO RWANDA FROM UGANDAN TERRITORY, AND INCERTITUDE ABOUT A MORE SIGNIFICANT MILITARY OFFENSIVE IN THE NEAR FUTURE,
- THE RAPID DETERIORATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO MAIN ETHNICITIES, HUTUS AND TUTSIS, IN RWANDA, WHICH ENTAILS THE IMMINENT RISK OF ESCALATION WITH FATAL CONSEQUENCES FOR RWANDA AND THE WHOLE REGION,
- THE EFFECTS OF THE SERIOUS ECONOMIC CRISIS IN RWANDA, WHICH INCREASINGLY LIMITS THE GOVERNMENT'S CAPABILITY TO DEAL WITH THE NEEDS OF A POPULATION AFFECTED BY THE WAR, AND TO MAINTAIN DOMESTIC ORDER AND STABILITY.
- 2. THE CHIEFS OF THE EEC MISSION IN KIGALI, INCLUDING THE COMMISSION'S DELEGATE, ARE OF THE OPINION THAT THE COMMUNITY AND ITS MEMBER COUNTRIES MUST IMMEDIATELY AND ENERGETICALLY EMPLOY ALL PEACEFUL MEASURES AT THEIR DISPOSAL TO PROMOTE PEACE AND STABILITY IN RWANDA AND IN THE REGION.
- 3. IN THAT SPIRIT, THEY PROPOSE TO TAKE MEASURES AT THE LEVEL OF THE TWELVE IN KAMPALA, WHICH IS ALSO WITHIN THE SCOPE, FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES,

BUJUMBURA, DAR ES SALAAM, NAIROBI. HERE ARE THE ELEMENTS OF SUCH MEASURES:

THE COMMUNITY AND ITS MEMBER STATES:

- DECLARE THEIR CONCERN ABOUT THE SITUATION OF WAR IN RWANDA, AND ABOUT THE RISK OF ESCALATING ETHNIC CONFLICT PUTTING RWANDA AND THE REGION IN PERIL,
- REITERATE THEIR SUPPORT FOR ALL THE EFFORTS TAKEN BY HEADS OF STATE IN THE REGION TO REESTABLISH PEACE AND STABILITY IN RWANDA AND IN THE REGION,

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- INVITE THE UGANDAN GOVERNMENT TO DO WHAT IS NECESSARY SO THAT THE MILITARY INCURSIONS INTO RWANDA, THE PERSISTENT INFILTRATION, AND ANY OTHER SUPPORT FOR HOSTILITIES IN RWANDA COMING FROM UGANDAN TERRITORY STOP IMMEDIATELY AND COMPLETELY,
- ENCOURAGE THE UGANDAN GOVERNMENT AND ALL OTHER GOVERNMENTS IN THE REGION TO MAKE CONTACT WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RPF AND TO USE THEIR GOOD OFFICES TO REALIZE A CEASE-FIRE IN THE COUNTRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,
- GIVE THEIR SUPPORT TO THE IDEA OF A REGIONAL CONFERENCE AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL ON THE REFUGEE PROBLEM, WHICH THE OAU AND THE UNHCR WOULD ATTEND, AND WHICH WOULD ALSO ADDRESS THE CONDITIONS FOR DURABLE PEACE FOR RWANDA AND THE REGION,
- COMPLIMENT THE POLICY OF OPENING ON WHICH THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT HAS EMBARKED, AS WELL AS ITS OPENNESS TO THE IDEA OF ALL RWANDAN POLITICAL FORCES, EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR, JOINING THIS PROCESS,
- DECLARING THEMSELVES READY TO SUPPORT THE COOPERATIVE ECONOMIC SOLUTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN PROPOSED IN REGIONAL CONSULTATIONS FOR THE LASTING REESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE AND STABILITY IN RWANDA AND IN THE REGION, AS WELL AS FOR THE REFUGEE PROBLEM.

UWE SCHRAMM, AMBASSADOR OF GERMANY, CURRENT PRESIDENT, GEORGES MARTRES, AMBASSADOR OF FRANCE, JOHAN SWINNEN, AMBASSADOR OF BELGIUM, FRANCOIS BUYCHINI, DELEGATE OF THE EEC COMMISSION."

END OF QUOTATION.

THIS TEXT, PREPARED BY THE AMBASSADOR OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, IN HIS CAPACITY AS PRESIDENT, TRANSMITS THE EXTREME CONCERN OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IN RWANDA IN THE FACE OF THE WORSENING OF ... / ...

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THE ETHNIC TENSIONS. THE LAST DELIVERY OF THE KANGURA NEWSPAPER, ON WHICH I REPORTED IN MY TO 740 on december 17, again emphasized the population's nervousness and how extremist hutu ideology is gaining ground with some, while terrorizing others.

THE FACT THAT THE MOST MODERATE ELEMENTS IN THE PRESIDENT'S ENTOURAGE ARE OPENLY CRITICIZED, WITHOUT ANY CURRENT RUNNING IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION, CONTRIBUTES TO THE REDUCTION OF THE HEAD OF STATE'S MARGIN TO MANEUVER. 200800. / .

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