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| 04/07/94 | 13:39 | Monitoring group convenes. |
| 04/07/94 | 13:44 | <p>INR representative Rick Erinreich provided a briefing to the group:</p> <p>He reported that the plane carrying the presidents of Rwanda and Burundi was probably shot down. This is not confirmed. This morning, reports of violence included the report of the death of the Prime Minister. Other Rwandan politicians are reported dead or missing. Three Bel. UN peacekeepers and two civilians have also been killed. Several other UNAMIR members are missing. The Rwandan Army has blamed the Rwandan Presidential Guard. One press report claims 17 priests have been killed in Rwanda. Burundi remains calm. France has put its troops in the Central African Republic on alert.</p> |
| 04/07/94 | 14:20 | France has asked for a UN Security Council statement to be issued this afternoon - as soon as the French come up with a draft they will be contacting Lori Shestak at USUN |
| 04/07/94 | 16:09 | <p>Lori Magnusson spoke with Embassy Nairobi requested they try to raise Embassy Kigali on the HF Radio located at the Ambassadors residence. They have been trying to do so already. Have tried selcall and voice on 10 channels but have been unsuccessful. They will continue to try for at least another hour and will contact the WG regardless. Nairobi reports that EUCOM has not been able to get through to Kigali either. Embassy Nairobi was given the Home Numbers of Ambassador, DCM, and Consular Officer.</p> |
| 04/07/94 | 16:42 | <p>AF/EX PMO Alford contacted Nairobi at the request of OPR (No reen Toy-Sneddon). He asked Nairobi Admin Counselor Schunter to see if commercial aircraft would be available to go to Kigali and pick up 205-300 amcits and return them to Nairobi. Ms. Schunter will try to get this info tommorrow A.M. when airline officials are available. Status of Kigali airport is uncertain and needs to be clarified prior to any charter take off. MST team member who was in Ms. Schunter's office indicated that Amb Rawson had been in touch with the EUCOM duty officer earlier in the day and had requested that EUCOM not do anything for the time being. Amb intends to contact EUCOM again at 7:00 a.m. local time. FYI, Ms. Schunter (admin officer) home phone is 254 2 521 687. EUCOM duty officer</p> |

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| | | is at 49 (Germany) 711 680 4290. | |
| 04/07/94 | 16:55 | AF/C Terry McCulley spoke with Barbara Gibson at Canadian Em bassy to exchange information. She reports that there are th ree Canadians in Rwanda, two are in Kigali. Additionally, t he wife of the Rwandan social affairs minister(who is Canadi an by birth) is missing and presumed dead. | |
| 04/07/94 | 17:05 | AF/C McCulley received call from EUCOM Col. [REDACTED] re situation in Rwanda. EUCOM has been in touch with Amb. Rawson in Kigali and the RSO in Buj. She reports that they said all quiet for now, and sitting tight. I informed her that we were moving toward an ordered departure from Kigali and had not ruled out a military-assisted evac. | B6 |
| 04/07/94 | 17:59 | Amb. called to give status on the ground. Everything is cal m at this time. There was some shelling near the residence yet nothing was damaged. There have been no reports of Ame ricans killed or injured. All have been contacted and are O K. They have been advised to stay in there homes and away f rom their windows. He has made preparations for possible ev acuation routes. The Rwandan military is in the process of trying to get together with the remaining Ministers tomorrow to plan ahead. | |
| 04/07/94 | 18:10 | Earlier today RWG received a phone call from Bill Marsh, hea d of FODAG in Rome. Marsh said he had been contacted by Kat herine Bertini, Executive Director of the World Food Program (WFP), who said that WFP has aircraft in the vicinity (no ty pes or numbers provided), including Entebbe, which it can pr ovide to support an evacuation from Rwanda. Marsh can be re ached at the following numbers: work 39-6-46-74-42-60 or hom e [REDACTED] He recommends we call him at his office o n Friday, after 0330 EST, for further details on plane types and numbers. | B6 |
| 04/07/94 | 18:15 | RWG received a phone call from Acting DCM (Admin Counselor) in Nairobi Elaine Schunter. She told us to expect a cable to morrow detailing available air assets in Kenya. Her work num ber is 254-2-33-41-41 (ext. 240). [REDACTED] | B6 |
| 04/07/94 | 18:16 | Elisabeth Brocking (EUR/NE) spoke with Frank Geerkens(Acting Political Ofcr At Belgian Embassy) briefed him situation as | |

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we see it. We are sending cable to Paris and Belgium to ask our embassies to keep in touch with these governments. Emphasized close political and military relations as situation evolves. He said that they had heard it was quieter tonight. Frank said that the Belgian government is meeting now will let us know the results of these meetings as soon as he hears. Belgian govt may defer decision on evac until they see what happens tomorrow in Rwanda. They do not have much info because unable to contact their Amb. Figures indicate 11 soldiers up to 5 civilians killed. They have 800 reinforcements in Belgium and possibly more if needed.

04/07/94 18:30 Coord. had telcon with Acting Under Secretary for Management Quainton concerning evacuation of Embassy Kigali personnel as well as authorized departure of Embassy Bujumbura. AF/EX was tasked to draft appropriate requests for both posts for Mr. Quainton's approval.

04/07/94 18:43 An hour ago USUN sent by fax draft UNSC presidential statement of Rwanda. Statement condemns killings, calls for declaration of responsibility and requests free access to airport to permit those who wish to leave country to do so. Council will remain actively engaged. Task Force cleared drafted Statement unchanged.

04/07/94 18:52 Elisabeth Brocking (EUR/NE) spoke again with Frank Geerkens of Belgian Embassy he said that the Belgian govt has concluded its meeting and has decided to defer a decision on Evac until tomorrow. The govt is standing by until tomorrow to decide further steps.

04/07/94 19:05 Executive Secretariat Memo requesting DOD for Contingency Planning for Possible Military-Assisted Evacuation Operation of American Citizens in Rwanda. Was sent to S/S for signature at 1800hrs. JCS-J-3 will send a warning order to EUCOM tonight tasking them to start execution planning for a full range evacuation options.

04/07/94 19:21 AF/EX has sent memo on ordered departure of Embassy Kigali. Ordered departure of Non-Essential personnel and dependents in Embassy Bujumbura is pending until all signatures are secured.

04/07/94 19:42 [redacted] (DS) has tried to contact [redacted] (CIA) and has not been able to contact him. He will try again at a later

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| | | time. |
| 04/07/94 | 21:28 | Arlene Render departed working group 21:20. Reed Fendrick Coordinator. |
| 04/07/94 | 21:47 | Warning order has gone to J3 (cable CJCS WASHDC 072331Z APR 94). No come back at this time. |
| 04/07/94 | 23:13 | 21:00 M approved memo authorizing ordered departure for non essential personnel and dependents from AmEmbassy Bujumbura. An accompanying travel warning concerning Burundi was also approved. It advises Americans to defer travel to Burundi and urges all Americans in Burundi to depart immediately. |
| 04/07/94 | 23:25 | 22:00 Cable to USUN instructing mission to ask UNDPKO to coordinate diplomatic and military planning, (particularly related to possible military evacuation) with Belgium, France and US. |
| 04/07/94 | 23:27 | 22:05 Cable instructing Embassies Paris and Brussels to ask host governments to coordinate military and diplomatic planning related to possible military evacuation of Rwanda with US counterparts. |
| 04/07/94 | 23:36 | ACTION ITEM Working Group requests that a large map of Africa be placed in TF 1. |
| 04/07/94 | 23:58 | Reed Fendrick, Coordinator, departed Terence McCulley assumed position of coordinator Also arriving: Mary Beth Leonard, AF/C; Kirsten Schulz, IO; DS; Gary Bagley, AF/EX; Blanch Alston, OES; and B7(C) Jack Markey, CA. |
| 04/08/94 | 00:34 | kigali radio problem Jim Garner, Embassy Nairobi phoned the RWG regarding problems with radio contact with Kigali, reporting Nairobi had lost radio contact with them at 3 pm local 4/6. The RWG advised Nairobi that Ambassador Rawson had told us that he could hear Nairobi, although they apparently could not hear him. Garner said he would try to phone the ambassador to see if he could assist him in repairing |

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| | | the radio. | |
| 04/08/94 | 00:52 | [redacted] airport The WO told the RWG that according to [redacted] [redacted] the Kigali airport is blocked and thus unusable. | B1 |
| 04/08/94 | 01:10 | Naval [redacted] - Reported a local radio station had been in touch with an Amcit on the phone - of Africa Watch (probably Monique) | B6 |
| 04/08/94 | 01:15 | Call from CIA ops query - where is the evacuation point from Kigali ? We told him - still unknown | |
| 04/08/94 | 01:30 | Call from Pretoria Pretoria reports landline down at the residence but not throughout the city. Americans standing fast. Pretoria has HF communication with Amb. for another hour. | |
| 04/08/94 | 01:35 | Call from Judy Johnson/Brussels The Embassy has not yet been able to reach Foreign Ministry by phone. Both the PM and the FM will return this a.m. The news reports that 10 or 11 Belgians had been killed. Council of Ministers closed at 2, the Vice PM and the Budget Minister asked the PM and FM to come home. The government does not exclude idea of an evacuation. | |
| 04/08/94 | 01:40 | ACTION ITEM Call from DCM Kigali, Joyce Leader Terry McCulley advised that Department has authorized ordered departure and suspension of operations in Kigali. | |
| 04/08/94 | 01:58 | Call from Embassy Nairobi Embassy informs Rwanda Working Group that communications established with Amb. Rawson's residence in Kigali. Embassy Nairobi also informs Rwanda Working Group that Embassy Nairobi has radio contact with the 7th Day Adventist Group near the Embassy in Kigali (Embassy Nairobi does NOT have contact with the 7th day Adventist group in the North of Rwanda). Embassy Nairobi also reports that the DATT and one officer in Kigali are going to try to get a military escort to the Embassy. | |
| 04/08/94 | 02:11 | ACTION ITEM Rwanda Working Group (McCulley) call to DCM Leader Leader reports: Lots of gunfire in Kigali; grenades in the | |

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Kimihurura area (home to some 15 American families); no power in the Kimihurura area which means the families have limited time left for radio contact; Amb. Rawson lost his land line; Rwanda paramilitary (?) in control of the airport - new Chief of Staff "in charge" of the military is Gatsinzi. The DATT from Yaounde - LTC.Charles Vuckovic and Con/Miloff Lane will try to arrange a military escort in order to meet with the military and Gatsinzi and to discuss a military escort for a convoy of the American families in Kimihurura to the American club. DCM Leader does not know if the streets are safe. The communicators do not live close to the Embassy. The DCM thinks she is being watched and that this is an indication she should remain in her residence. The mission is in touch with Amcits. Amcits have been told to stay put and to stay in touch. Grenades have been launched into the 7th day Adventist compound in Northern Rwanda. DCM Leader believes there are some UNAMIR staff at the Amcit orphanage in the East. Leader reports that, earlier, armed Rwanda military had entered and searched her residence. DCM Leader can not confirm reports of RPF coming in from North. The situation at the airport remains unclear.

04/08/94 02:47 ACTION ITEM
PM's Capt. Bill Dodd debriefed the Pentagon on DCM Leader's call.

04/08/94 02:59 Call from Amb. Rawson via HF (thru Nairobi) to RWG Coordinator McCulley
Q: Comments from Amb?

04/08/94 02:59 ACTION ITEM
Call from Amb. Rawson (via HF thru Nairobi) to Coordinator McCulley
Q:Comments from Amb?
A: Keep both options open (i.e. land and air evacuation)
Q:Convoy to American Club ?
A:Security Situation does not permit this yet
- prefer to move when evacuation approaches
- at present, all Amcits in area have food, water, generators

04/08/94 03:15 ACTION ITEM
Call to Embassy Kigali's Laura Lane from RWG T McCulley
Con/Miloff Lane reported that she and DATT are trying B6

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ng to contact the Ministry of Defense, though it is unclear what assets the Ministry currently holds. Lane is trying to work with FR and BE for safe passage. She would ask for safe conduct - and an escort out of town (three miles). Lane also reported that Kimihurura is under fire. She is not confident that any one can provide safe conduct. There are rumors that both RPF and UNAMIR are fighting the Presidential guard. There has been no contact with Canadian head of UNAMIR, though there is a line in to UNAMIR HQ. Amb. Rawson is considering a two-phased evaluation which would 1) establish secure area for Amcits to gather 2) Amcits w convoy out of town. (Note: Amcits in Kimihurura may have difficulty in getting to secure area, Embassy considering dividing personnel to cover more than one convoy/evacuation). Lane also reported that American missions in the North report fighting, which may mean that the RPF is fighting in the north. The Amcits in the north want to leave.

04/08/94 03:20 Call from Embassy Nairobi Rick Grainger with RIMC in radio contact with the 7th Day Adventists to RWG CA - Jack Markey The Adventist University of Central Africa, the 7th day Adventist community in the north-west, was attacked by uniformed and non-uniformed armed men. The men entered the girls dormitory and killed all tall girls. Foreigners and the school, Americans, French, Canadians, Belgians, and Philipinos were not attacked. The University is located in Ruhengeri.

04/08/94 03:29 Call from the UN Situation Room's Dabaroshkov to RWG's PM Doud
UN was informed of existence of RWG. In return call, UN's Dabaroshkov said UNAMIR and Embassy Kigali were in contact. Dabarashkov asked about U.S. evacuation plans. RWG informed UN plans under consideration, UN will be informed.

04/08/94 03:30 Call from Brussels to RWG Leonard
Jeanette Dubrow of Embassy Brussels reports that the BE government will decide on evacuation plans @ 5 am.m Washington time. Dubrow reports some talk of denationalizing Belgian troops serving in UNIMIR if the UN won't change their mandate. The Embassy asked the BFM to stay in close touch with the U.S. and the French. 10 BE UNAMIR confirmed killed.

04/08/94 04:00 Call from Embassy Nairobi Grainger to RWG CA Markey
Follow-up on 7th Adventist University and Orphanage

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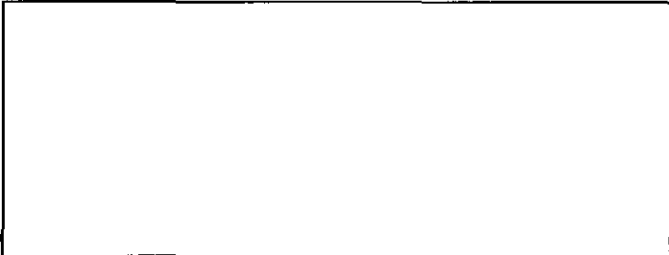
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Grainger reports that 20 students (NO Americans) were killed at the 7th Adventist University. There was relatively little gunfire, the students were macheted. Americans at the University are listed as



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If there is an air evacuation, half would like to stay, half would like to leave. If evacuation is by road, the missionaries would prefer to remain.

At the orphanage in the east, on Lake Muhazi, the five Americans are o.k. and are accompanied by UNAMIR forces. The situation is calm. There was one (non-american) fatality. The Americans are:



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The Americans and two Australians at the orphanage are all more than 70 years old.

- 04/08/94 04:35 Call from Kigali, DCM Leader to RWG Leonard
How, when to activate evacuation - keep both options open, a airport and road, mil escort from Kigali to border. Organize 1st convoy south, doing initial planning, move as soon as security from houses to asseblly point viable. Leader is still hearing loud booms, gunfire. The situation is uncertain.
- 04/08/94 04:45 Call from Embassy Paris Steve Ingleton to RWG Leonard
Howard Perdou is out on apptmts. Dalsimer is on leave. Quai- Rwanda desk says no decision has been made whether to evacuate. There is no schedule for such a decision. There should be more information the middle of this afternoon, Paris time.
- 04/08/94 04:47 Call from Judy Johnson Embassy Brussels to RWG Leonard
Johnson reported that the Rwandan Army controls the airport, and has moved in anti-artillery pieces of unknown type.
- 04/08/94 05:15 ACTION ITEM
Call from Embassy Brussels to RWG McCully
In two calls, Embassy Brussels Pol Couns Johnson reported:

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1) the decision on evacutaion has been moved back to three p.m. Brussels time when there will be a meeting with the FR and a EUCOM rep. The EUCOM rep will be asked whether the U.S. can provide air evacuation for BE; 2) BE also requ ests U.S. support for its request to Secretary General Boutr os Boutros-Ghali that UNOMIR's mandate be changed to allow t roops to use force to protect political leaders and evacuees

04/08/94 05:47 Notification from SWO that Con/Miloff Lane and her husband a re in Embassy Kigali. (Message from communication coming th rough Beltsville).

04/08/94 05:51 Call From AMEMBASSY Kigali
CON/MIL Lane to RWG Leonard
re: Lane & Husband arrive at embassy
Lane reported gunfire as she arrived at the embassy under military escort. Lane also reported the U.N. will attempt to negotiate a ceasefire to allow for the evacuation of Amer ican citizens.

04/08/94 06:14 Conversation with AmEmbassy Nairobi
re: Beligian status Kigali
Embassy Nairobi called to pass on information from Canadian mission in Nairobi who had been in contact Belgians in Nairo bi. Belgians report that Belgian Chancery is unusable. Gen eral in command of Belgian contingent (UNAMIR?) reports that they are pinned in, "Stuck like rats". The RPF is reported ly on the move. Canadians suggest because of good contact b etween AmEmbassy Kampala and RPF, U.S. nationals might be gr anted safe passage more easily. (Canadian info re: RPF).

04/08/94 06:15 Contact with AmEmbassy Bujumbura
RWG Gary Bagley spoke with Admin Officer and Consular office r in Bujumbura who report the following: 1) Bujumbura is cl am; schools and most businesses are closed for 3 day mournin g period. 2) Commercial airline are still operating. Sabe na arrived yesterday and Kenya Air is scheduled to arrive th is afternoon. Air France arrives Monday. 3) There are app roximately 150 vacant rooms in Bujumbura, which could be use d to house evacuees. 4) Consular Officer just concluded me eting with immigration authorities who expressed willingness to expedite border crossing of AmCits from Rwanda with exte

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nsions if necessary 5) immigration officials informed convo
y that road from Butare south to Burundi border is clear.

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Conversations with NIMIC & EUCOM
RWG Coordinator spoke with NIMIC Brig. Gen Gatley along the
lines of general sitrep briefing. PM advisor spoke with EUC
OM intel people who report that Belgians will 'soon' ask for
strategic airlift assistance, in addition to helicopter sup
port.

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Conversation with AmEmbassy Kigali
Con/Mil Off Lane reports that she and recently arrived MIL O
FF DAT will travel to Ministry of Defense (MoD) to meet with
Chief of Staff (Tchkezie) and Colonel who Lane has not hear
d of previosly. Lane reports that AmDCM has phone problems
. In conversation with RWG CA Off, Lane was told all Advent
ists are o.k. Lane subordinate Julie Adams is maintaining h
ourly phone contact with private Amcits. Lane's husband wil
l remain at Embassy Kigali while Lane is out.

04/08/94 06:27

Conversation with AmEmbassy Kampala
with Amb. Carsen
He reported 1) that borders are open and Ugandans will admit
any foreigners attempting to exit Rwanda. 2) He'll speak
with Ugandan Government about intentions of RPF.

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Conversation with AmEmbassy Kigali
Husband of Con/Mil Lane checked in. Reports that Lane might
meet with General De Lair in regard to a cease-fire to perm
it evacuation of foreigners. Lane's Husband will be on stan
dby at embassy.

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Coordinator's Conversation with Mr. Tarnoff
RWG Coordinator McCulley spoke via telephone with P/ Mr. Tar
noff, giving a general sitrep, including the continued fight
ing in Kigali, safe status of American citizens in Uganda.
McCulley also stated that AmEmbassy Kampala reports clear bo
rder crossing Rwanda/Uganda and road is clear (thirty to for
ty miles inside Rwanda).

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Conversation with Fort Bragg Special Ops.
RWG John Frese spoke with U.S. special operations planners i
n Fort Bragg, NC who advised that special operations personn

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el are being prepared for any possible eventuality. This included calling them in and Frese assumes that some will or have been pre-positioned.

04/08/94 06:40 PM rep talked to Mr. Garms of FODAG. WFP has Ilyushin in Entebbe and Ilyushin in Lochochokio (N. Kenya). Available if needed. PM thanked him and said PM would pass info to contingency planners in Pentagon; PM told him that situation at the airfield is such that planning is complex. Info passed to PM rep at Pentagon.

04/08/94 06:42 Conversation with AmEmbassy Kigali
Con/Mil Off Lane reports that she and DAT went to Ministry of Defense, and met outside with General DeLair, who has been in contact, including yesterday, with a Colonel Mdindilyiana, head of the gendarmarie. Lane did not attend meeting between DeLair and Mdindilyiana because DeLair did not believe it would be appropriate. De Lair advised Lane that U.S. should not/not evacuate until tomorrow. DeLair would attempt to secure a ceasefire. Lane gave De Lair American HF frequency. The only working UN phone is a Satellite telephone (212) 963.3392. Lane advised that perhaps Americans should hunker down today while DeLair attempts cease-fire and evacuate possibly overland tomorrow. BIOGRAPHICAL INFO on Mdindilyiana: Colonel is a professional with a good reputation. He was slated to become security advisor to the former president.
- The RPF's contact person with DeLair, who is command

04/08/94 06:53 Contact with AmEmbassy Kigali
RWG Coordinator McCulley attempted contact with AmEmbassy Kigali, but Con/Mil Off Lane's husband was evidently not monitoring the line. Radio conversations could be heard in the background.

04/08/94 07:12 SITREP UPDATE BY RWG
Coordinator McCulley temporarily halted RWG ops to review current developments. McCulley reports AF acting Assistant Secretary Bushnell is now on duty as Task Force Director. Open line is being maintained to Am Embassy Kigali, currently with Con/Mil off Lane. HF radio contact only with Ambassador Rawson and DCM Leader. Kigali airport is held by paramilitary commandoes. Emb. Kigali is preparing for overland evacuation. Small arms fire, grenade and mortar attacks, contin

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ue in Kigali. This is especially disturbing in one area where 13-15 American families with children USEUCOM military is meeting with French and Belgium counterparts in Belgium. France will provide protective aircover (Jaguars from CAR or Chad?), but U.S. has been asked for air transport support. (CONTINUED NEXT LOG)

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Attempted Contact with AmEmbassy Kigali
IO Kristen Schulz attempted contact at 7:13 with Kigali, but although line was in order, no-one was apparently monitoring. Attempts to establish contact provided futile, and subsequently line was lost to Kigali. State Operations Center was continuing to attempt reestablishing contact.

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RWG SITREP CONTINUED
Coordinator McCulley reports that two action memos are in process. 1) Belgians wish to change UNAMIR's mission to include evacuation of foreign nationals 2) air transport for possible evacuation. McCulley also reports all American citizens are safe, although some 'pretty gruesome' acts are occurring upcountry against ethnic Tutsis. GOING AROUND THE TABLE OF THE RWG: Dep. Coordinator Leonard updated on De Lair's contact with CON/MIL Off Lane outside Ministry of Defense in Kigali (See prior log entry). Leonard also reported phone call from AmEmbassy Nairobi suggesting contact between Ambassador Carsen in Uganda and the RPF. RWG Consular Affairs reported that Americans in U.S. can reach family members in Rwanda via telephone. IO officer Kristen Schulz reported that Carsen, himself reportedly of lower caste Tutsi origins, has feelers out in Uganda. (CONTINUED NEXT LOG)

04/08/94 07:20

POLICY MEETING RWG
Coordinator McCulley, Dep. Exec. Sec. Max Robertson paid a visit, Director Bushnell, and incoming Coordinator Render, met regarding action memos. Airlift memo will be approved, while leaning against expanding UNAMIR mission.

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RWG SITREP CONTINUED
RWG IO Off Schulz also reports that Uganda will permit easy passing of foreigners at border. RWG PM Bill Dood reports that Department of Defense might resist air evacuation from Kigali because of unsecure nature of the airport.
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CHANGE OF SHIFT SITREP

As RWG Arlene Render takes over as Coordinator from McCulley, RWG SITREP updated. The 13-15 families in one area have food and diesel, but are not using generators. Con/Mil Off Lane is superb. Nairobi is maintaining HF radio link with Rawson, but should Nairobi lose signal, Embassy Pretoria had contact over radio during the night. Mil/Con Off Lane, her GSO husband, and DAT [redacted] are at Embassy Kigali. [SEE PREVIOUS LOG SITREP FOR FURTHER DETAILS] Last night State Department sent memo to Department of Defense (DoD) requesting to prepare for air evacuation from Kigali. Coordinator Render reminded that Embassies Kigali and Bujumbura should begin burn process for destruction of classified documents. Ordered departure is being instituted for all Americans in Rwanda and dependents and non-essential personnel in Bujumbura. CONTINUED NEXT LOG

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SHIFT CHANGE BRIEFING CONTINUED

Outgoing Coordinator McCulley reported that Belgians are ready to provide commando support, while French will have aircraft carrier. The bulk of UNAMIR troops are secured in barracks, while UNAMIR Commander De Lair is out and about, presumably with bodyguard. US will probably not support Belgium request to change UNAMIR mandate to protection of Rwandan government officials. [SEE PREVIOUS LOGS] RWG IO Off Schulz reports American ambassador Carsen in Ugandan is working on 1) ascertaining status of RPF military (i.e. rumors of heavy artillery) and 2) confirming with government of Uganda a continuing open border with Rwanda. RWG DS Frese reports that RWG DS is providing periodic updates to USSOCOM Ft. Bragg, NC. RWG AF/EX Gary Bagley reported his talks with Bujumbura (SEE PREVIOUS LOGS). RWG CA Outgoing Jack Markey reported on situation with 7th day Adventists (CONTINUED NEXT LOG)

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CONTINUED SHIFT CHANGE

Jack Markey (RWG/CA) reports that American citizens are safe. INR/AA Ehrenreich phoned to report to INR Farley and Logger that Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is monitoring radio (in Uganda?) and reports RPF is in charge of Presidential Guard compound and government commandos are in possession of the airport. RWG PM Bill Doud reports that JCS warning started last night. RWG EUR Brocking is working on UNAMIR/Belgium

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action memo. RWG AF/C Leonard reports that RWG is in contact with Candian Working Group, which has two planes in Italy that could be used.

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CONTACT With AmEmbassy Kigali
Phone contact reestablished with Kigali and Off Lane. Monique is still alive; DCM was contacted. Post will go to minimize; destruction of all classified material to begin. Fighting is ongoing; house to house searches
UN is no longer responding to phone calls. UN is not patrolling. Information from Nairobi is being transmitted on how to destroy communications equipment. Lane will be last to depart along with husband, possibly Ambassador and DCM. Amba Ambassador is in touch with Monique (who had met with President Clinton) before 9:00 am Kigali. The Minister of Defense is in Cameroon and can't get to Kigali because of no flights. There is ongoing fighting, mortar rounds, but the military had control of airport. (CONTINUED)

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Contact with AMEMBASSY LONDON
Before leaving, outgoing Coordinator McCulley had contact with McKinley in Embassy London, who reports that the Evening Standard reported an overland evacuation of foreign country national. 2) American Bible Society contact: [redacted] wife and kids who live near Embassy Kigali. RWG CA will attempt contact with Lane and take care of message. Also: McCulley sent contact to AmEmbassy Dhaka, regarding status of Bangladeshi troops in UNAMIR

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PEACE CORPS CONTACT
Sandra Robinson from Peace Corps had contact with outgoing Dep. Coordinator Leonard. There are two Peace Corps in Kigali, [redacted] at his residence and [redacted] at the Mile Colline Hotel. Peace Corps is currently in contact with [redacted] via telephone. Peace Corps will keep in contact.

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CONTACT WITH AmEMBASSY KIGALI - CONTINUED
The Kigali airport runway is blocked by debris and trucks. Will need escort to Bujumbura border. RPF had control of road to airport. Problems with Rwandans verses the Belgian forces. UNAMIR Canadians & Bangladesh troops are o.k. KIA include: 2 Ghanians, 3 Belgians confirmed killed. Lane is attempting conference call regarding Monique. Confe

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rence call between Lane and DCM Leader regarding Monique. Monique telephone DCM early morning to say she's alive; "everyone thinks she is dead". Soldiers came into Mon. house (perhaps, DCM does not wish to discuss Monique at moment). She was in safe situation yesterday. DCM has attempted contact with DeLair, but phones are out. DCM reports last night crisis committee of ministers, which may be taking place currently. CONTINUED NEXT LOG

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CONTACT WITH AMEMBASSY KIGALI and DCM LEADER - CONTINUED

Radio reports on crisis committee. Report that Belgian paracommandoes of same battaliion of executed soldiers with fly Sabena into Bujumbura and be on standby. Belgians will arrive tonight (local time). KIA: Minister of Information (Chokosa), Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Labor & Social Affairs (Lando), families of Min.information & Labor also killed, Prime Minister and family, candidate for President national Assembly (Nndango) PSD political party killed, former Minister of Foreign Affairs killed, curent minister of foreign affairs is out of country with Minister of Defense. Killed On Plane: 2 Presidents, Rwandan military Chief of Staff,

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Laura Lane called RWG to inform that French General Danzing (sic) reports no plans for a French evacuation. They had reports of Belgian commandoes coming into Buj but the Belgians also have no evac plans. The German embassy was advised by Bonn to work with the French and follow the French and US plans for evac. DCM in Kigali reported that the French have left Butan (sic), and the Kokany (sic) orphanage workers (5 Amcits, 2 Australians, and 2 Canadians) were planning to go overland to Tanzania but will not leave tonight. Laura Lane reported all Amcits safe: [redacted] (sic) was still MIA. All Amcits have been advised to stay where they are. Embassy was in contact with 7 Baptists, 3 Methodists and all were safe. There has been no contact with New Christian group due to downed lines. The Quakers were OK. The [redacted] (Amcits) and [redacted] were advised to move to safer place off the mountain. The [redacted] have left with the UNDP convoy. The other Amcits were all advised to prepare for evacuation but will not be evacuated tonight. All were advised to bring travel documents and picture IDs. Lane reported that Amb. requested skeleton crew be left to monitor situation, but RWG a

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dvised that ordered departure included everyone.

- 04/08/94 09:49 Scott Fisher spoke with AF watcher Perlow in Paris and He wa
nt to remind us that anything going to Paris for Paris reade
rs after midnight 4/8 will have to go NIACT because message
center closes for weekend. All other cables will not be rea
d until Monday.
- 04/08/94 09:51 Elisabeth Brocking (Belg DO)- Belgian COMinisters is meeting
and will make the decision on whether to request formally ai
rlift support and/or a change in the UNAMIR mandate.
- 04/08/94 10:09 Ambassador Render called briefing. Earlier, today we were as
ked about a human rigghts person reported dead. RWG is not t
o tell anyone she is alive. Information is not to leave RWG
and not to confirm any deaths. Depcoord Aiston briefed on t
wo telephone calls. Laura Lane (Embassy Conoff)reported tha
t security situation is about the same as yesterday, althoug
h worse last night. RPF and government forces are still enc
gaged in fighting as well as some internal fighting amongst
the government forces. The government forces control the air
port and the RPF controls the National Assembly and the gove
rnment guard houses. There is a meeting going on between th
e military and the remaining government ministers (MRND Mini
ster, 2 PL Ministers). They are trying to arrange a truce be
tween forces. The head of the Gendarmes wants the fighting
to stop and the Ministers should go to Dohlere (sic) to prop
ose truce. To our knowledge all Amcits are safe and there
will be no evacuation today. No time or place has been set
for evacuation contrary to erroneous reports. Con firmed de
ad are: Minister of Information and Family, Minister of Agri
cultur, Prime Minister and Husband. Deputy PM is alive (pro
tect) and lead candidate for the head of the National Assemb
ly is also alive (protect). The UNDP in Butare is planning
an overland evacuation to Burundi and some Amcits will accom
pany. There is definitely communal violence occurring in th
e interior. RPF troops in the north have not moved but are
preparing to do so if situation does not calm. RPF has part
ial control over road to the airport. The head of the Genda
rmes has agreed to escort Amcits to Burundi border if we try
an overland evacuation, as long as the RPF agreess to stop f
ighting in Kigali. Casualties: 10 UN (overall) 3 Belgians,
- 04/08/94 10:58 (CONTINUED FROM LAST ENTRY)
2 Ghanaians. The Army is killing civilians in the North but

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this has nothing to do with whats going on in Kigali. IO-David Jansen reports that no formal activities are going on at the UN. The Belgian rep is complaining, and Belgians want an upgrade of UN capability to defend itself. Boutros is considering it and decision may take 4-5 days. Belgians may nationalize their troops and assume command of them. US prefers nationalization and not upgrade of capabilities. CA reports: a new travel warning has been issued for Rwanda It contains no notice of the ordered departure in effect. The travel warning for Bujumbura contains the fact that Amci ts are being evacuated. There is a French MoDefense team in Brussels but no Brussels team in Paris. French Ambassador is not anxious to depart. Canadians called from Ottawa to request we find 200 seats on commercial airline. we requested their military contact our military if no commercial seats are found. Brussels may ask US for transport of a batallion, reinforced vehicles, helicopter support, and medical support to be taken to a staging area.

04/08/94 11:00 Memo went to Secy from AF 1035 directing DoD participation in planing for a joint US-Belgian-French evacuation of American citizens and third country expatriots for Rwanda and provision of appropriate airlift support to such an operation. Time - 1100-*Coordinator advises that the memo was approved

04/08/94 11:16 (Taken from PM Rep. entry in PM log)
DAO Brussels Colonel [redacted] He reports the GoB is meeting at the moment to review Belgian General Staff evacuation recommendations. EUCOM has been tasked by JCS to do options planning. EUCOM is prepared to send four planners to work with the Belgians on joint planing. The French have already dispatched four planners to Belg. HQ. The BGS reportedly will recommend a plan requiring substantial US air support. PM recommended that Embassy Brussels consult with the GOB on an official request for joint planning, and Fairlamb said he would pass this on to the DCM. PM rep explained that we were sorokin an Action Memo through the system on this issue, and that an official request from the GOB would be supportive.

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04/08/94 11:25 At 1125 local WFP Rome Mr. Garms contacted RWG Scott Fisher with further info on WFP extraction airlift capability in the region. Currently an Ilyushin (type unknown) is at Entebb

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e, Uganda: three MI-8 Helos are in movement from Zimbabwe to Bukoka, Tanzania (to arrive approx 6-8 hours): an Antonov 32 is in Nairobi and is prepared to carry fuel forward to Bukoka to refuel helos. Garms stated that the UN (specific office unknown) has authorized WFP aircraft movements for the extraction of UN personnel and that additional capacity could be utilized by Amcits. He acknowledged that this activity was not being accomplished in coordination with any national plans on the part of the US, France, or Belgium. Fisher requested Garms inform by message RWG, JCS, EUCOM, and USUN. Garms will send soonest by NIACT. Fisher passed above to JCS J3 JOD.

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Coordinator contacted by German Embassy. Freischlader wanted to know if US was going to evac its citizens and would we consider evacuating 175 german citizens in Kigali. Coordinator told Freischlader that she would pass on the info and was sure that it could be accomplished. Coordinator noted that someone would contact Beck, area officer for Africa at 298-4235/6.

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ACTION ITEM

Contact with AmEmbassy Kigali

In conversation with Econ off Lane, Lane reported that embassy ad received information that UNAMIR troops had unilaterally withdrawn from the Ambassador's residence after the situation had calmed down. Lane requested that RWG contact UNAMIR regarding the transport of one block to Ambassador's residence of [] family, composed of Mrs. [] and two shaken children. Lane also requested that UNAMIR return to secure the ambassador's residence. Because of complications with the U.N. mandate, RWG IO will temporarily place this issue on hold as RWG ascertains UN situation regarding Chapter 6 and Chapter 7 operations and encompassing mandates of each. [] family residence has gates marked CRS is one block on dirt road from ambassador's residence 'across from paved road'. Coordinator and IO will work issue. Post also trying its end to affect [] transfer from residence. CONTINUED.

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| 04/08/94 | 13:00 | Based on a tasking from Prudence Bushnell and Anthony Quainton, <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div> (DS) and <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div> (PM) coordinated for a EUCOM Assessment team to deploy to Burundi. The Assessment Team will consist of 6 military personnel. They should arrive in Burundi 4/9. | B6 |
| 04/08/94 | 13:00 | INCOMING FAXES Communiqué de presse issued by MFA makes mention of evacuation. Communiqué officiel du Gouvernement issued by government of Burundi. | |
| 04/08/94 | 15:09 | RPF Commander Kagame told US contact that the RPF forces in the North are attacking South and are going to cross the DMZ. Kagame estimates their arrival in Kigali tomorrow. The RPF rationale is that the ceasefire and the Arusha accords have been broken, their forward battalion has come under attack and are threatened, and that the Rwandan army has been killing members of the transitional government as well as making ethnic reprisals. RPF says the UN is unable to control the situation. Kagame says the RPF will not interfere with the expat departees and will cooperate with UNAMIR and foreign government representatives in Kigali. Kagame says that he will call all contact from Kigali in the morning. | |
| 04/08/94 | 15:30 | RWG drafted note for Secretary on actions taken regarding Amcits in Rwanda. | |
| 04/08/94 | 15:36 | US source for above was directed by RWG to advise RPF Commander Kagame that the US position is that we do not encourage further violence in this already tragic situation. The US is gratified to know of the expressed willingness of the RPF to accommodate expat departures and to cooperate with UNAMIR and foreign government representatives in Kigali. | |
| 04/08/94 | 15:37 | RWG contacted AmEmbassy Kigali to report the RPFs movement South toward Kigali as well as to get a situation update. | |
| 04/08/94 | 15:40 | NIACT immediates from: Paris # 09625; Brussels 04005 passed to S-Beth Jones & Mark Grossman; P-Bruce Thomas; M- Harry Ge | |

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isel & Marsha Barnes.

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TELCON PERLOW/PARIS DATT-FAIRLAMB/BRUSSELS
By late this afternoon Batts had phoned Perlow in Paris and DATT [] in Brussels to confirm information regarding French and Belgian plans to deploy forces. At request of CMS, Batts also handled two-three liason sit-rep calls with CIA/DO/Africa, []

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Ambassador Render called a briefing for the new shift coming on to the working group. The security situation as of 1:00: Fighting is continuing in residential neighborhoods away from the center of Kigali. Approximately 200 RPF soldiers are outside the CND compound (400 are still inside). Approximately 200 Rwandans crossed into Ambassador Rawson's compound fleeing a firefight. There is a Seventh Day Adventist school near Mudende with American citizens inside who have managed to pay-off marauding mobs and remain asafe. The surviving government ministers met with members of the military. The head of the Gendarmes has been named head of the military and is considered a professional with no political ambitions. There has been a new PM and President named. We don't know what the name of the new Pres. is. There is no independent confirmation of the ceasefire. The Rwanda-Uganda border remains quiet and Ugandan forces are not resupplying or aiding the RPF. The Belgians are going to evacuate their citizens through the airport. The French will secure the airport with a 200 man team based in the Central African Republic. DAS Bushnell discussed the flow of paper and asked that one person take charge of each piece of paper. The Desk-Officer for Belgium reported that the Belgian MoD has submitted a formal request for military support for a reinforced battalion (1000-3000 men) no timetable has been set for the execution of evac plans. The PM rep reported that a plane has departed Stuttgart with a six-man team to assess the evac plans (from Burundi. There is no US rubber-stamp for Belgian mission. Tony Lake, Secretary Christopher and, DoD Secretary are in the DoD "Tank" reviewing several evac plans.

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-Security Situation - as of 13:00 our time, fighting continuing, what continues has moved away from residential

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(American) areas. 200 Rwandan civilians jumped over Ambassador's compound wall seeking cover (1 Kigali infant reported killed) from stray fire. UNAMIR unilaterally left RPF (Kagame) is making an offensive, will be in Kigali in a.m. Stationed in the north, they will cross DMZ into south could cause guerre civile. Max Robinson clear at DAS level.

-French are going in to take the airport with 100 to 200 man force from Bangui (C.A.R.) to aid in evacuation.

-Ceasefire in effect until 7:00 am Kigali time. French have no reports of Kagame moving.

-French negotiations continue terms have not been agreed to by the RPF.

-Ndide and Delare are still negotiating location unknow not face to face.

-Calm about 2-3 hours (since 8:00pm Kigali time) Trying to get DCM into embassy. UNDP holding security meeting tomorrow about evacuation.

-Jean Kambanda or Banque nationale de Rwanda is new prime minister

-Theodore Sindikubwabo new President 71 years of age part of assassinated president's entourage.

-Jerome Bikanumpaka new minister of foreign affairs. Current speaker of the assembly.

04/08/94 18:19 Until further notice, Embassy Kigali has been placed on SUSTEL. No cable traffic should be addressed to embassy Kigali.

04/08/94 18:23 Watch telephoned, indicating that cable to Nairobi providing fiscal data for chartering an airplane has gone out as State 93442.

04/08/94 18:27 INCOMING FAX

Rwanda Military Data Sheet from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Kigali city maps also from [REDACTED]

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04/08/94 18:38 Copy of all sitreps sent to OSD Rwanda Crisis Cell

04/08/94 18:50 Per [REDACTED] request, Batts contacted her father to let her parents know that they are safe. Her Father can be reached on [REDACTED] in case of

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| | | emergency. |
| 04/08/94 | 19:02 | Night note delivered by e-mail. 19:04, Beth Jones informed us that it was unnecessary. |
| 04/08/94 | 19:10 | As of 19:00 US Tarnoff designated the Rwanda working group to be the Rwanda Task Force. TFRW01 |
| 04/08/94 | 19:47 | Amb Render spoke by phone with Embassy Kigali DCM. Ceasefire in effect curfew also in effect. |
| 04/08/94 | 20:02 | Mr. Tcheyall, Dep. Chief for Agriculture called requesting help in evacuating World Bank staff members. Phone number for Tcheyall - [redacted] Phone number for Julio Gamba World Bank Rep. in Kigali [redacted] Coordinator noted that there might be charges for such help. |
| 04/08/94 | 20:09 | INCOMING FAX Draft letter from Boutros Boutros-Ghali to President of the Security Council, Colin Keating in NY. |
| 04/08/94 | 20:13 | Nairobi S/GSO Wayne Bush telephoned RTF to acknowledge receipt of State 93442, the cable providing fiscal data to charter an airplane. He indicated that they would find the owner of the desired plane, even though it was after 2am local time. Bush talked to William Campbell, and asked about timing, destination, and number of flights. Campbell indicated that we did not yet know those answers, but that Bush should get the plane and stand by for additional information. Bush also indicated that he could make no estimate of the cost of a late-night charter, and Campbell told him that this was understood when the cable was approved. |
| 04/08/94 | 20:20 | INCOMING FAX From HQ USEUCOM regarding EEI's for support of NEO operations in Rwanda. Scott Fisher responded. |
| 04/08/94 | 20:30 | OUTGOING CABLE Sitrep 6 transmitted to OSD |
| 04/08/94 | 20:35 | Coordinator spoke with Leonard Lange Bujumbura Charge and instructed him to go immediately to the embassy to read and answer a FLASH CABLE from US Tarnoff. |

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-I spoke with Lt. Cmd. [redacted] of JCS J-3 [redacted] about the dispatch of C-141's from Rhein Mein to Mombasa. He said that details on number of planes, load, departure time, etc... is still up in the air. I told him to contact us as soon as anything firms up, so that we can work on getting flight clearances. He is waiting for EUCOM to come up with its plans, which should occur early Saturday morning. by AHM.

19:04 - Spoke with Janice Meadows of the Canadian Dept. of Foreign Affairs. She said Canada will deploy a Dept of National Defense Hercules C-130 from Ancona Italy to the Rwanda theatre (probably to Nairobi) in the next 24-36 hours. She said the Canadian MOD is in touch with the Pentagon on particulars. Originally they planned to send the plane to Mombasa "but you Yanks have it sewn up." by AHM

18:53 - Our liaison at JCS [redacted] said that DOD is taking the following steps as a result of decisions made at today's Christopher/Perry/Lake meeting: MARG to offload four H-53 helicopters in Mombasa. There they will link up with some KC 130 tankers, load a Marine rifle company and fly to Bujumbura tomorrow. C-141's will be flown down to Mombasa from Rhein Mein. They probably will not fly on to Bujumbura. EUCOM is working to come forward with its recommended course of action. DOD is concentrating on getting our people out as soon as possible. by AHM

18:20 - L/PM Ed Cummings informed us that if we are going to provide DOD services to airlift Belgians on a NON-REIMBURSABLE basis, then we will need to get a Sec. 506 Presidential determination and we will need to inform Congress one day

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ahead of time. The person to contact to do the paperwork is [redacted] of DRSA. He can be reached at home at [redacted]. If the airlift is to be done on a REIMBURSABLE basis, then we can just do it via the usual ExecSec letter. H reportedly has already canvassed key Congressional staffers and obtained their general concurrence with U.S. military support for an evacuation. by AHM

14:05 - Jan Meadows of the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs (613-996-8885) called for an update on our evacuation planning. She said Canadians were trying to get involved

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| | | in Brussels military planning process, but were getting the cold shoulder from the Belgians. There are 200 Canadians in Rwanda. Canada has an aircraft in Italy (for the Sarajevo airlift) which it is prepared to dedicate for Rwanda evac if necessary. by AHM I suggested that Canada have its DATT in Brussels contact DATT regarding info requests and resources Canada can provide, and to contact EUCOM with the same information. by AHM |
| 04/08/94 | 21:13 | Cable to Paris and Brussels re: information sharing with posts went to OP center for transmission. Posts are requested to encourage host governments to provide information to their Kigali posts, with instructions to share with AMEMB. |
| 04/08/94 | 21:20 | INCOMING DIP NOTE From the Belgium Embassy Frank Geerkens, Counselor Requesting U.S. forces to provide support. 21:45 - EBrocking called Belgian Emb. to see if they would reimburse for the support requested. Call returned and GOB agrees to reimburse and would like to keep cost as low as possible. Contacts had reports of French movement. |
| 04/08/94 | 21:23 | INCOMING CABLE Nairobi 06325 - African airlines (charter Co.) Boeing 707 has been placed on Standby to support evacuation of amcits in region. Aircraft is currently reserved for use through 1800 local time, Sunday April 6. (sic) Company can make the aircraft available after that time if necessary. Airline requests that we provide four hours' notice of take off if possible. |
| 04/08/94 | 21:38 | 3:20 Kigali time Embassy Kigali called Taskforce to say that a plane flew over and shelled the area pretty heavily. She said that the ceasefire is not holding. After the shells there were shots fired. Laura Lane, said she heard some gunfire at about midnight also. Messages were passed to Lane from relatives of staff and the Ambassador. Quiet again at 21:53 |
| 04/08/94 | 22:00 | FRENCH troops are on the ground in Kigali and there is gunfire. Mr. Moose briefed Task Force. |
| 04/08/94 | 22:01 | Demarche cable went to Uganda asking Amb Carson to talk with GOU. |

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| | | -Coordinator spoke with Leonard Lange, Charge in Bujumbura Burundi over the open line. Also spoke with Special UN Rep in Kigali. |
| 04/08/94 | 22:18 | Grossman/Mcaleer delivered to Max Robinson on the Belgian support request. |
| 04/08/94 | 22:20 | LShestack, USUN called to report that the French landed in Kigali w/3 C-130's with 50 Belgian troops each aboard. The airport is secure. Information came via UNDPKO, General Dellaire. |
| 04/08/94 | 22:51 | Post reports no activity. They have been instructed by UCOM to listen for every sound. Standing outside the Embassy building, 2 small arms shots were heard a few minutes earlier. |
| 04/08/94 | 23:05 | J-5 Gen Clark and DATT talked on the open line. DATT reported hearing aircraft at 0315 Kigali time. There have been several shots and possible mortar rounds over the past hour. DATT says they're not in danger. Today was quieter than yesterday. They are located in a space near the Comm Center by PM - |
| 04/08/94 | 23:08 | Coordinator Arlene Render telcon with Charge Steve Browning in Tanzania regarding request for clearance in Mwanza, Tanzania for bad weather or refueling stop for U.S. aircraft Also need diplomatic overflight clearance for a C-141 entering Tanzanian air space at VORTAC identifier KMI at 091545Z Cable from air mobility command will follow. by Alice Moore. |
| 04/08/94 | 23:10 | DATT in Kigali reports one large explosion "probably a mortar round from the direction of the airport. |
| 04/08/94 | 23:12 | <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 40px;"></div> |
| 04/08/94 | 23:17 | Coordinator A. Render telcon with US Amb Bazeal: We need clearance for arrival in Mombasa of 180 marines by the Pelletreau. Amb Brazeal gave clearance in principle and said he will get back to us but "we can get started." |
| 04/08/94 | 23:32 | SWO - Pete Petrihos reported that Max Robinson said that the Belgians will charter a Sabina 747 for their troop movement |

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| | | Estimated time of departure or destination unknown. |
| 04/08/94 | 23:41 | CDR [] talked with Capt [] (AMC Dip Cleara B6 nces 618-256-1610.) Advised him that Charge Browning (Tanzania) was notified of Diplomatic clearance requests for C-141 overflight from Senagal to Mombasa. Capt. [] advised that 4 C-141's were scheduled for Mombasa- one from Dakar, one from Diego Garcia, and two from Europe. They would arrive at 1800Z, 1335Z, 1615Z, and 1700Z. Kuslo is aware. |
| 04/08/94 | 23:56 | AF front office reports that Asst. Secretary Moose spoke w/Wes Clark at JCS who agrees that staging from Entebbe is a bad idea. The alternatives now being explored are Tanzania and Bujumbura. |
| 04/08/94 | 23:57 | Telcon CMD [] and LTC [] Updated him on Action on the ground in Kigali. Only new info he had was that EUCOM (ETCC) had told Kigali to determine from the Ambassador whether he wants to evacuate by air or overland They'll talk to him at 0600 Kigali time. |
| 04/08/94 | 23:59 | Change in Logger - Jean L. Tyler logging out. |
| 04/09/94 | 00:01 | Reed Fenderick -- #1 Shift Coordinator |
| 04/09/94 | 00:10 | coordinator render called for outgoing briefing. pm - french landed 3 c-130s and 150 troops, and with belgian s secured kigali airport. embassy heard their arrival, fire for hour or so; confirmed this infor with un commander via usun. eucom (etic) has an open line to embassy kigai, as do es the task force. In Burundi, charge is attempting to get gob permission to land 3 ch53 helicopters and 4 c-130s, s18 0 marines, 35 airmen for staging. coming from mombasa. two hours from permission received to when they could be in plac e. there are 4 c-13ls in the area, 1 from dakar, 1 from die go garcia, 2 from europe, all to go to mobasa. by 1800 z ap ril 9. eucom spoke to kigali. evac by air or land? eucom will ask ambassador rawson's opinion at 6 am local or so. b elgians have requested airlift support. will be on reimursa ble basis. |
| 04/09/94 | 00:10 | changeover continued tanzanians have asked for our assistance in evacuating 25 di |

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| 04/09/94 | 00:10 | changeover continued. assistant secretary moose reported that there are problems w ith bujumbura staging because the military might not appreci ate the exercise. we owe charge lange an answer on ordered departure reclama. our instinct is to heed lange, will also help convince burundians on our request for staging. quain ton is willing to tell lange he can defer first departures b y 24 hours. voluntary departures can ofcourse go as they wi sh. this sentiment reinforced by prus bushnell's meeting wi th madame kinigi, need reinforcement of comforts; withdrawal of our people is the opposite. moose's conversation with general clarke, jcs, back-up possi bilities, talk to tanzanians. there are three options. (1) overflight to bujumbura direct (1-c-140 from senegal), (2) overflight direct to kigali (as french say things are better than they thought)(3) stage from tanzania. | |
| 04/09/94 | 00:14 | laura lane to tf un group arrived at [] house - 2 kids and mrs. [] are at the ambassador's residence now. | B6 |
| 04/09/94 | 00:21 | laura lane to tf laura did a perimeter walk, went outside embassy wall, tank is still there, four soldiers, no reinforcements visible. | |
| 04/09/94 | 00:35 | NMCC (Col []) passed infro from J-3/EUCOM that French were in cntrol of all buildings at airport. There were 200 French troops on the ground. A 5th aircraft was inbound to Kigali at this time. | B6 |
| 04/09/94 | 00:50 | PM Rep telecon with Nairobi (KUSLO). KUSLO - Cpt [] was on phone with Kigali instructing them how to destruct cryptographic material and equipment. They had already destroyed some. | B6 |
| 04/09/94 | 01:04 | Amb. Flaten to charge' Lange at the residence of acting President. Also present were Minstry of Defense, Minstry | |

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| | | of Foreign Affairs, Chief of Staff of Army, and finally UN Rep Abdullah. After long discussion GOB gave o.k. and asked for dipnote to describe mission. Moose, White House for Clark, Lt Gen WClark (J-5) were informed. | |
| 04/09/94 | 01:05 | Joyce Leader inquired about French troops coming into the town to secure roads. TF promised to inquire with JCS. RPF radio announcement: RPF is reacting to murderous activities of the Pres guard. Anyone standing in the way will be considered an enemy. Communique' by one who assumed Presidency (former speaker) three tasks are: 1) establish order; 2) pursue contact with RPF for form broad-based transitional govt within UN timeframe (6 weeks); 3) how to resolve question of famine and return of displaced persons. | |
| 04/09/94 | 01:10 | Reed Fendrick-Steve Browning (DCM Dar Es Salaam) telcon re flight clearnces over Tanzania, Browning needs specifics. We passed him the ETCC phone number and we passed JCS/J-3 (Col. [redacted] Mr. Browning's number to coordinate directly on specifics of overflight. | B6 |
| 04/09/94 | 01:28 | Nairobi to Reed Fendrick. Amb. Brazeal says evacuees should be delivered to Nairobi, not Mombasa, no one in Mombasa to take care of them. | |
| 04/09/94 | 01:30 | KUSLO Nairobi cable stated: "Govt of Kenya (GOK) has given US blanket clearance to conduct Rwanda NEO Ops from Kenya. We were given blanket clearance to operate all helicopters and KC 130 aircraft to/from Kenya to other countries as we deem necessary to accomplish Rwanda NEO". | |
| 04/09/94 | 01:30 | CDR [redacted] advised J-3/LCDR [redacted] and J-5/Cpt [redacted] that aircraft evacuating people from Rwanda, coming to Kenya, should land in Nairobi, NOT Mombasa. Amb. Flaten recommended this to Gen Sheehan (J-3) earlier. This info on Kenya was from our charge' in Nairobi. | B6 |
| 04/09/94 | 01:35 | McAleer-Grossman covering official request from Kingdom of Belgium for US military support. TF informed 0120 hrs Saturday that "J-3 has told EUCOM to execute," Lt. Col. [redacted] National Military Command Center. Reported EUR rep Mark Davision. | |

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| 04/09/94 | 01:40 | Lange spoke with Fendrick regarding ordered departure. Despite earlier understanding of request for 24-hour delay of ordered departure, planning remains actively underway. Commercial airlines still flying in/out Bujumbura. Leaving in groups of 3-4 over next week. |
| 04/09/94 | 01:53 | Laura Lane - TF. DCM not expected in Embassy because no escort is available. How can Amb contact Amb. Flaten? |
| 04/09/94 | 01:56 | Gen Clark - Amb. Flaten. Amb. Lawson will try to reach TF via his radio link with EUCOM. |
| 04/09/94 | 02:00 | Dar ES Salaam - TF. Charge' Browning informed Fendrick that Tanzanians have offered Tanz commandos to drop into Kigali. |
| 04/09/94 | 02:00 | PM passed to JCS/J-3 the cables from Nairobi on the 707 that has been placed on a 4-hour standby. |
| 04/09/94 | 02:05 | Fendrick talked to Steve Browning at Tanzania. Browning has not heard from EUCOM on specifics of the Tanzania overflight. He is now calling th ETCC-JCS/J-3 has not received details for overflight. |
| 04/09/94 | 02:10 | JCS/J-3 - PM Rep. Plan for airlift of the Belgian forces is for five C-5's. Current location of aircraft is two in Rhein-Main, 1 in Lakenheath, and 1 is emonte to Sigonella, but is returning. Crew sect makes aircraft available at 100100Z. Troops will be carried in Sabina 747/727. Four C-5's to Melbrook and 1 to Cologne. |
| 04/09/94 | 02:10 | EUR rep Mark Davison called AmEmb Brussels AF watcher Jeanne tte Dubrow toinform her that J-3 had told EUCOM to execute t he Kingdom of Belgium's request for military logistical supp ort. She instructed him to call DATT, Col. [redacted] In telcon to Col. [redacted] EUR rep. Davison informed him of J-3 instructions to Eucom to execute the Kingdom of Belgium's re quest for logistical support. Col [redacted] nformed Davison that a EUCOM J-3 planner from Stuttgart had arrived. Their operating assumption is that the operation will be a "combin ed evacuation (French-Belgium, U.S. or British national, any one who wants to get out." Davison so informed coordinator |

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Fendrick who said that though the details of evacuation had not yet been worked out, EUCOM should continue to operate on that assumption. [redacted] asked if the Ambassador in Kigali had decided to evacuate and was told by Davison yes. Davis on relayed details of readiness/status of requested USG support in response to Belgium request, this information from Cmdr. [redacted] 5-C-5s 4 will load equipment in Melsbrok; 1 in Cologne. These planes were now in Rhinesmule (4) Laney Heath (1). Earliest departure would be 100100Z. Paratroopers would be transported in Sabena 747s and 727s. Name of J-3 planner from Stuttgart is: Lt. Col. [redacted] J-3 EUCOM, [redacted] Col. [redacted] informed Davison that the Kingdom of Belgium knows t that we are providing the requested support. Col. [redacted] a also informed Davison that British had requested the Beligum government to get their citizens out. Davison informed Coord Fendrick.

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Joyce Leader - Amb. Flaten. Rawson still wants to go overland if UNAMIR or Rwandan army escort community afraid to go out by air -- worried about being shot as President's plane was. No assurance ability to get an escort. Would need same security negotiations to get to airport as to border (i.e. need escort)

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[redacted] (OFDA Duty Officer) called to say that two C-141 SORTIES carrying plastic sheeting to Mozambique have been placed on hold due to the crisis in Rwanda.

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Laura Lane - TF. [redacted]

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LTC [redacted] (EUCOM Intel Cell) STU-III - "Ambassador has decided to go out by land. Amb. will stay plus 4 (Including DATT). EUCOM working hard to assess threat. Gendarme will escort him to the border. One unit in front, one in back. The concern is to get out of town, the countryside is safe."

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Laura Lane - AF/EX regarding consular closeout and admin matters. Ambassador wants to evacuate. Report of

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| | | 3,000 civilians were killed -- no Americans killed or injured. | |
| 04/09/94 | 03:05 | Request for Assistance. Embassy Nairobi asked if Kenyan diplomats could be evacuated with U.S. Germans, Tanzanians, and Kenya World Bank have all asked for assistance in evacuating. In principle, they will join any convoy. | |
| 04/09/94 | 03:15 | Phone call with JCS/J3/JOD. Col [redacted] reported that C-130's/H-53's are airborne en route to Bumjumbura [this was converted by Gen Sheehan at 0326 that the aircraft will hold for 45 minutes]. Three convoys are scheduled for 1100Z, 1200Z, and 1300Z. Ambassador plus two will stay to last convoy. | B6 |
| 04/09/94 | 03:30 | Upon instructions of Ambassador Flaten, EUR rep Davison called AmEmbassy Brussels Julie Johnson to inform her that previous conversation with Amb Flaten was not up-to-date. Request for logistical support had been approved and was being acted upon by EUCOM. Also informed Johnson concerning status of C-5 aircraft. Johnson inquired regarding deployment of US Marines on secure line. Davison relayed information from Cmdr [redacted] -- USMC troops were being transported to Bujumbura from Mombasia to be staged for Kigali. | B6 |
| 04/09/94 | 03:35 | Convoys leaving today at 0900 from 3 consolidation points. American school, Int'l school, and Ambassador residence received assurance from UNAMIR that RPF will not fire on the convoys. | |
| 04/09/94 | 04:00 | Fendrick - Dar Es Salaam to alert govt of Tanzania to imminent departure of American convoys so that Tanzanian personnel might arrange to meet them. | |
| 04/09/94 | 04:20 | Laura Lane advised of departure plans -- Canadians and Kenyans; German may be Brits advised, but going to Belgrade. DATT and UNDP verifying order that Rwandan troops radio net that none would be fired upon. Laura couldn't get through to the Tanzanians. | |
| 04/09/94 | 04:40 | Fendrick, Cdmr [redacted] Col [redacted] (DATT in Brussels), and J-3 Gen Sheehan discussed [redacted] | B6 B1 |

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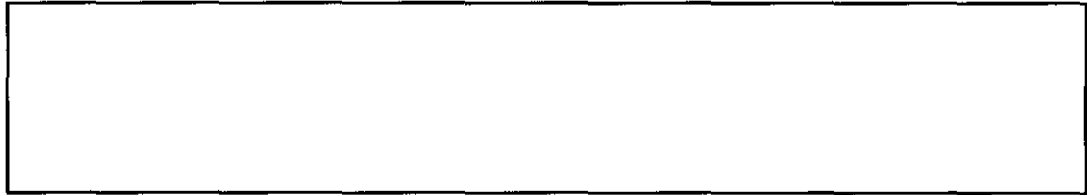
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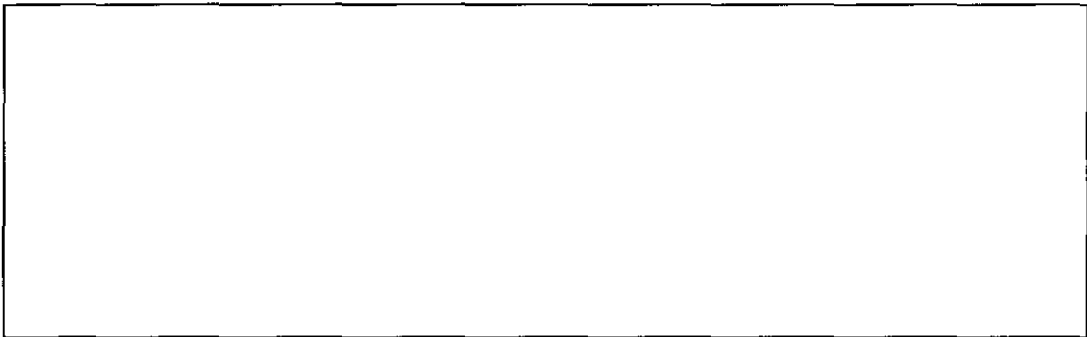


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04/09/94 04:40 J-5 reported that 2Xc-130 will aim at 1030Z, and 2Xc-130 and 3XH-53 arrive 1215Z in Bujumbura.



04/09/94 04:43 Max Robinson - Fendrick reagarding our DATT in Beligum view that Belgian is dissatisfied with US overland evacuation plan; they thought they would come out with Beligum airlift. Robinson stated, "If Gen Shali doesn't want to commit US forces in Belgian evacuation, it's his call."

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04/09/94 04:59 The Secretary - Amb. Flaten for update on situation.

04/09/94 05:00 JCS/J5 reported that 2X C130's will arrive Bujumbura at 091030Z and 2X C-130s and 3 H-535s will arrive Bujumbura at 091215Z.

04/09/94 05:01 Laura Lane - TF. AmEmbassy Kigali advised Amcits to move to assembly points on the ground,   Problem with with 13 Amcits children of Rwandans -- whereabouts unknown.

04/09/94 05:10 AmEmbassy Paris - Fendrick. Deputy Pol Con advised that they could not answer State 93766 re US-France-Belgium coordination.

04/09/94 05:13 The Secretary - Amb. Flaten. The Secretary requested to speak to Amb Rawson, who was not available, within the

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| | | next 40 minutes. |
| 04/09/94 | 05:14 | Laura Lane - TF. Reports that Tanzanians are aware of US plans. No ETD -- instructed people to bring food and water in case they have to stay overnight. Amb. Flaten advised Laura of the Secretary's request to speak with the Ambassador. |
| 04/09/94 | 05:34 | Laura Lane in TF that convoys scheduled to leave at 12:00, 12:30 and 1:00 EDT. |
| 04/09/94 | 05:53 | french presence in kigali amembassy nairobi attended a meeting at the belgian embassy. the french report they are in control of the airport in Kigali. 500 french troops there now, 1000 by the end of the day. they intend to evacuate from the kigali airport. the french planes that came from bangui may evacuate the french to bangui. the belgians want to go to nairobi. condition of roads around the airport are unknown (ie weapons fire from them) there are unconfirmed reports the germans and canadians got through to Buj but the road south is clogged with refugees. |
| 04/09/94 | 06:00 | Laura Lane in Kigali confirmed that travel authorizations had already been prepared as per the Emergency Planning Handbook. She was given the fiscal data and the cable granting authority to complete the orders in conversation with Sonja Rix. |
| 04/09/94 | 06:00 | The Secretary and Amb Rawson spoke via HF radio through Kigali and Nairobi via the Watch. |
| 04/09/94 | 06:05 | Sonja Rix - Elaine Shunter (sp?), Admin Counselor in Nairobi, is convening mini task force to prepare for arrival of evacuees. Shunter gave readout of meeting at Belgian Embassy in Nairobi as follows: - French in control of airport; 500 troops now 1,000 by night fall in Kigali from Bangui Possibility will return to Bangui; - Belgians will evacuate to Nairobi; - Priority is to execute evacuate from Kigali *Road south to Bujumbura may be clogged with refugees, some Canadians and Germans got thru but route was |

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| | | reportedly clogged. Canadians are trying to confirm this. |
| | | - Nairobi communicating with Kigali on clogged route; |
| | | - France had no information on roads to/from airport area surrounding. |
| 04/09/94 | 06:06 | embassy paris report from dominique pins at the elysees that the french are fanning out from the airport. ask if it is true 200 marines landed in bujumbura? are they going to kigali? would they be available to protect non-amcits, und erstanding that this is their first priority? the rpf is headed south to kigali. |
| 04/09/94 | 06:08 | Judy Johnson (Brussels) wants readout of Charlier-Sheehan. She said that she had a report from Beligum military that Canadian head of UNAMIIC says UNAMIIC should also leave Kigali -- can we confirm? |
| 04/09/94 | 06:12 | embassy kinshasa inquiry. is there any indication of amcits headed into zaire? fendrick responded that a handful might be, but the main evacuation route is south to bujumbura. t he embassy should use missionary contacts to determine if an y amcits come through, and be prepared to assist them. |
| 04/09/94 | 06:20 | EUR Command Center Stuttgart reports 4-KC 130's and 180 marines will be in Bujumbura by 1300 Zulu. They will not be continuing to Kigali, as the US citizens are traveling by convoy to Bumjumbura. French foreign ministry want to know if Marines will be in Kigali and could protect all foreign citizens. TF coordinator responding to Paris appropriately. |
| 04/09/94 | 06:32 | judy johnson, embassy brussels, relays (informally) beligan request - can a mash hospital be flown to kigali? |
| 04/09/94 | 06:34 | Laura reported that each convoy has GSO vehicle estimating from number in first group. |
| 04/09/94 | 06:44 | TF - Embassy Brussels. Can US provide assets to Belgians to assist Beligum citizens -- claims Sheehan/ Charliet agreed joint planning |
| 04/09/94 | 06:50 | TF - Embassy Kigali telcon. The first convoy of Americans departed Kigali at 0650 EDT with about 75 |

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| | | Americans in 20-30 vehicles. Two Rwandan escorts with rifles accompany the group. |
| 04/09/94 | 07:15 | mike barnett, usun, phoned for an update. leonard told him a convoy had departed overland for burundi. relayed embassy brussels query, any confirmation that unamir wants to leave ruanda? barnett said the message from the secretariat yest erday was that if foreing nationals go, unamir should go too . no news about a security council meeting today, but there probably would be given events. |
| 04/09/94 | 07:25 | mary beth leonard to judy johnson brussels. now have a form al request from the belgians for the assistance asked inform ally earlier. B1 <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 650px; height: 70px; margin-top: 5px;"></div> |
| 04/09/94 | 07:25 | captain johnson, marine corps command center to reed fendric k. 90 marines landed in bujumbura, 190 more will land at 15 00 z, and three helicopters |
| 04/09/94 | 07:30 | Sonja spoke with Lyn Munn, GSO Bujumbura. Reports that local hotels have been alerted for reservations, rec'd fiscal data and will go to border to meet and get info. One plane just arrived--no sure from shere. First convoy st oped at Gendarwe Road Block on road to Butane' before bridge road block Gendarnes. Four soldiers searching vehicles and checking IDs. |
| 04/09/94 | 07:48 | bill march in rome forwardedreport from executive directorof wfp. french have 5 transport planes at kigali and 180 troo ps. goal is to tgake out fr and be nationals. 200 more tro ops this afternoon (note this contradicts previous ino) belg ians arriving later. wfp plans to take people out tomorrow, as road to airporti is currently unreachable from the city. rebels have slowed movement toward kigali significantly no w that french are there. un forces confined to hotel. wfp e xpects 2 helicopters and 2-c-130s to arrive in kigali. cont act at un, for security is diane russler |
| 04/09/94 | 07:54 | embassy kigali reports second convoy of 35 people left right after the first; third convoy left at 0750 with 20 people. |

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| | | 1st convoy had to pay a bribe 1000rwandan francs per person to pass a bridge/road block |
| 04/09/94 | 08:00 | Pru Bushell -- #2 Shift Director |
| 04/09/94 | 08:20 | Coordinator Arlen Render called for a review of events during the last shift and tasks for the day were assigned. |
| 04/09/94 | 08:20 | mary beth leonard briefed beth jones, s, on developments since sitrep 11 |
| 04/09/94 | 09:56 | |
| 04/09/94 | 10:04 | Embassy Kigali reports that the first convoy has now passed Gitarama and is now travelling without security escorts from the Rwandan army. The second convoy will shortly be passing Gitarama and the third convoy is enroute to Gitarama. Embassy Bujumbura reports that their RSO, GSO, 3 USAID officers and the medical officer are enroute to the Rwandan border to meet with the convoys when they cross the border. One of their vehicles has long-range radio capability when the convoys cross the border they will radio Embassy Bujumbura, who will relay to the Task Force the condition and the arrival times of the convoys. Embassy Bujumbura GSO compound will be utilized as a parking area for those vechiles from the convoy that are owned by the USG and its employees. |
| 04/09/94 | 10:12 | Embassy Kilagi has requested that US military helicopters not repeat not cross Rwandan airspace to monitor the progress of the convoys. They did request, however, that the Secretary pre-approve the use of the Marines in the event that the convoys should require US military assistance. At 1023 the Embassy is reporting that the UN is sending the first convoy. |
| 04/09/94 | 10:32 | Status Report: Harty Lane Telecon -- All 258 Americans known to Embassy Kigali have been contacted with evacuation information. All, with one exception, have indicated a desire to leave Rwanda and are in various stages of their efforts to do so. -- Three convoys have left Kigali. All are marked with white flags and some vehicles also have American flags. |

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Each convoy has food, water, and a medical kit. Aside from these three enroute, no additional convoys will leave tonight due to darkness

-- Embassy Kigali estimates a 3 to 3 and 1/2 hour ride to the Burundi border and a 2 hour drive from the border to Bujumbura

-- Convoy #1 is led by PAO Bruce McGowan Approximately 75 people.

-- Convoy #2 is led by Bill Martin (AID Population officer) Approximately 35 people.

-- Convoy #3 is led by AID Employee Kurt Fuller 19 people
Convoy Instructions

If stopped or challenged, convoy leaders are to initially to respond that they believe they are not to be subject to identification checks of any kind.

04/09/94 10:40

Continue -- Convoy Instructions

If convoy leaders are not persuasive, they should bribe their challengers.

-- Convoys should check in regularly to Embassy Kigali with status reports. During the first of those reports, convoys 1 and 2 reported no problems. Convoy 3 was challenged at the bridge and asked if any Belgians were on board.

Replying in the negative, the convoy was allowed to proceed.

-- Convoys will be accompanied by gendarmes (number unknown) as far as Butari.

-- Embassy Bujumbura has stationed a consular officer and a regional security officer at the border in anticipation of arrivals.

-- Embassy Bujumbura will coordinate with Kigali and the Task Force on arrival information and manifests as soon as possible after arrival. CA will begin calling next-of-kin contacts once arrival information is confirmed.

04/09/94 10:46

Embassy Kigali reports that the first convoy will reach the Burundi border within 30 minutes. The second convoy within an hour and fifteen minutes, and the third within a hour and thirty minutes. At the time of this report the third convoy was reported to be 14 kilometers south of Gitarama.

04/09/94 12:02

Laurie Shestack, USUN, to advise of 12:00 UN Security Council meeting. Meeting would be to receive briefing

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on situation from UN Secretariat officials and to hear from French representatives about their actions in Kigala. Task Force Coordinator advised that US representative should remain in listening mode. USUN replied that Ambassador Albright concurred with this judgement.

04/09/94 12:05

Task Forced called US contact with RPF Commander Kagame 11:30 a.m. to inquire if Kagame's promised call for morning 4/9 had taken place. According to contact Kagame has not called yet. Contact was instructed to attempt to initiate exchange with Kagame and to pass on the following:
-- 1 USG understands and appreciate RPF intention to permit expatriate extraction operations. USG hopes RPF will aviod military operations west and south of Kagali along convoyed departed route.

04/09/94 12:09

At appx. 11:50 a.m. on 4/9 the Task Force lost telephone contact with Embassy on the open line.

04/09/94 12:11

Embassy Kalgi reported the following concerning its classified and unclassified holding:

* Peace Corps Compound

- [Redacted]

* AID Compound

[Redacted]

* Embassy

[Redacted]

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Embassy Kagali was instructed by DS representative on the Task Force [Redacted]

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| 04/09/94 | 12:32 | CA talked with Consular Officer in Bujumbura and was advised that it was crucial for them to report to the Task Force two items. 1) We need a head count of the American citizens who were evacuated as soon as they reach the border and 2) We need a complete manifest of the Americans as soon as they reach Bujumbura. |
| 04/09/94 | 12:38 | Embassy report that they are up and running on communication now 4/9 at 12:38 p.m. |
| 04/09/94 | 12:39 | Open line on Task Force with direct communication with Embassy is also now up and running (up 4/9 at appx. 12:35pm) |
| 04/09/94 | 12:40 | CA talked to Nairobi Consular Officer, Marsha Von Durkham, to ask if post would need a Consular fly away team. Marsha says they are ok for now. Appreciate the offer. |
| 04/09/94 | 13:09 | Embassy Kagali reports that the first convoy has reached the border and has crossed over into Burundi. The 2nd and 3rd convoys are now at the border on the Rwandan side. Embassy Kagali informs that the Rwandan border closes at dusk. At this time the 2nd and 3rd convoys are standing by at the Rwandan side of the border. Convoys has been instructed to standfast at the border until instructed otherwise. |
| 04/09/94 | 13:37 | <p style="text-align: center;">Rwanda Consideratin in UNSC 12 Noon April 9</p> <p>A meeting of the P-5 ended at apprx. noon April 9, prior to full SC discussion of the situation in Rwanda. Following are highlights of the discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">* The French informed the other P-5 that two issues were distinct regarding the situation: (1) Protection of foreign nationals and (2) the future of UNAMIR.-- French said their deployment was to deal solely with the issue of foreign nationals; they are coordinating Belgium and the US on technical issues related to protecting foreign nationals.-- French said they did not seek UNSC endorsement of their actions, which are purely humanitarian in nature.-- French confirmed Belgian reports that the Kigali airport is NOT yet fully secured: apparently, French troops |

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hold the control tower but the runways and Kigali-airport road is not yet secure.

* Chinese said they did not oppose French operation to protect their nationals by cautioned that sovereignty must be respected. French responded that, to the extent they were in touch with interim Rwandan authority, they had approval for their actions.

* Russians took note of the French explanation; expressed hope that the action would be limited in time and scope; asked if safety of other nationals (15 Russians, in particular) was being considered: French said they were coordinating with UNAMIR's mandate.

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Continue Rwanda Consideration in UNSC
12 Noon April 9

* UK urged that French and Belgians (enroute), take into account UNAMIR and not "abandon" UNAMIR forces without consulting with the UN force.

RPF Communique

Following the P-5 meeting the RPF distributed a communique in New York making the following assertions:

- * The RPF totally opposes the provisional government;
- * The RPF does NOT oppose evacuation of foreign nationals, provided foreign forces limited their actions to such evacuations.
- * The RPF declares that it has launched an offensive to liberate Rwanda.

Full UNSC meeting will begin shortly: SYG will likely report on situation, make no recommendation for change in UNAMIR status or mandate; French may report their actions but will not request UNSC endorsement.

04/09/94 13:51

DS Task Force Representative on the instruction from the Deputy Coordinator and DS Director Mulvey contacted Embassy Buj. and requested that they establish hourly radio check with the two convoys located at the Danish mission on the Rwandan border. They were also instructed to ensure that the Marines are alerted to the exact location of the Danish mission in the event of an emergency.

04/09/94 14:06

The UN Operations Center reports that a convoy of 22 vehicles has arrived safely in Butari, Rwanda. The Convoy was made up of civilian personnel and their

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| | | dependents. |
| 04/09/94 | 15:08 | Task Force received telephone call from UCOM Lt. Col. [redacted] Lt. Col. [redacted] informed TF that UCOM just received telephone call from Lt. Col. [redacted] at Embassy Kagali. Lt.Col. [redacted] informed UCOM that he could hear heavy motar fire within 10 kilometers of the Embassy coumpound. He also stated that heavy automatic weapon fire was ocurring within 5 kilomters east of the Embassy compound. B6 |
| 04/09/94 | 15:16 | USUN reports that Security Council discussed situation in Rwanda. Secretariat had nothing new. French Representative explained his country's action in securing Kigali airport. Council plans to meet again on Monday. |
| 04/09/94 | 16:05 | Coordinator Arlene Render heads briefing of prior events for #3 Shift. |
| 04/09/94 | 16:15 | The first convoy led by PAO Bruce McGowan has arrived in Buj umbura safely. |
| 04/09/94 | 16:26 | Ed Brynn -- Shift Director |
| 04/09/94 | 16:42 | Consular Ofcr Laura Lane reports that the Bio files are almo st completely destroyed and the Admin files remain. |
| 04/09/94 | 17:46 | Mary Grandfield (AF/C) was asked by Cindy Duque (World Bank Security Ofcr) if there was a military evacuation. If so, th ey had expats (4 adults and 2 children) who wanted to join. She was advised to contact AmEmbassy Kigali or French Embass y for more information. |
| 04/09/94 | 18:17 | Rwandan Amb. Uwimana called and spoke with deskoff Aiston. He speculated that the Belgians might have shot down the President's plane, pointing out that they had the weaponry necessary and controlled the airport. He added that many Rwandans believed this and complained that the whole process of Arusha seemed to have been secretly designed to disarm the Rwandan military. He said the subsequent killings were an understandable reaction to the assassination of Pres. Habyarimana. |
| 04/09/94 | 18:23 | Laura Lane (Consular Officer in Kigali) advised that the CPU and Peace Corps had driven through Gikando (sic) in search |

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of Amcits, but had not found any at that time. They reported that lots of bodies were in the streets. She noted that the UN Amcits will be evacuated with UN personnel. L. Lane advised Deputy Coordinator that she will be off-the-air for a prox. 3 hrs. for rest.

04/09/94 18:29

B. Wiley (AF/EX) was advised that the French consulate in Buj. has spotted 42 vehicles entering the city. They speculate the majority are Europeans but there is a possibility that some are AmCits. They are expected to reach the center of the city in 15 min.

04/09/94 18:33

CA recieved a call from the Adventist compound in Rwanda, they were suppose to have evac today. However they advised the Embassy that they would be leaving tomorrow. They were waiting for the Belgian and the Rwandan gndame escorts. There is a total of 300 with 18 being AmCits. They also received a call from a Mr. [redacted] whose parents were in the Gikondo area near the airport. He was worried about his parents whereabouts and welfare. The Embassy will accompany a Mr. [redacted] to their house tomorrow assest condition and escort them back to the Embassy. Consular Officer L. Lane further relayed particulars on those who will be evac tomorrow.

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04/09/94 18:59

AmEmbassy Kigali had received assurances yesterday from both sides through UNAMIR that the convoy would not be attacked. AmEmbassy has tasked the RWG to contact UNAMIR to reassure that the convoys leaving tomorrow will not be attacked.

04/09/94 19:41

Defense wants to insure that the Sec. of State and Defense coordinate their press statements for tomorrow.

04/09/94 19:47

B. Wiley (AF/EX) per telcon with L. Lange in Buj. advised that the 42 vehicle convoy has reached city center, however they have stopped at an unmanned military barricade. By radio the convoy has contacted AmEmbassy Buj. which has contacted necessary military cmdrs. to resolve problem.

04/09/94 19:52

At approximately 1845 on 4/9/94, [redacted] 7th Day Adventist Church, called to State that he had just talked to some of their people at the Adventist university in Giseyne. He stated that they were extremely worried because the troops and security guards guard

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ing the campus had deserted and that "rioters" were invading the campus grounds. [redacted] asked what military assistance the USG could provide. [redacted] was advised that someone would contact him (TF1)

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[redacted] (HQ EuCOM-JIC) tele# [redacted] called to check State was aware all official Americans leave with the last convoy 1130 local time 4/10. Total of 65 Amcits will leave with first convoy (1000 local) and last convoy. We relayed info on Seventh Day Adventists who are at the university compound in Gisenye. The approximate 20 Amcits plan to leave with 315 person convoy 4/10 to Zaire. Amcits will await Belgians/gendarmes to arrive to escort.

04/09/94 20:11

DAT Col. [redacted] per telcon has advised that the cease fire seems to be holding. They expect to have two convoys leaving tomorrow (1st at 10am and the 2nd at 11:30am). He reiterates the importance of contacting UNAMIR so that both groups (RPF and Rwandan Army) respect the cease fire and not shoot upon the convoy.

04/09/94 20:15

The convoy of 42 vehicles has passed the military barricade and arrived in the city of Buj. It is not part of the official convoy. AmEmbassy Bujumbura's preliminary reports indicate 100 AmCits were among the convoy.

04/09/94 20:37

Per telcon with AmEmbassy Bujumbura, the 42 vehicle convoy has been identified as the official convoy #2 and #3. They are no longer at the Danish mission. Specifics will be relayed later.

04/09/94 21:27

Lt. Col. [redacted] DOD phone [redacted] is seeking to confirm that 3rd country nat. immediate family members of AmCits will be included on C-141 Evac flights. He will contact PM Rep when he confirms this assumption.

04/09/94 21:32

Bev Wiley (AF/EX) per telcon with AmEmbassy Bujumbura has confirmed that convoy #1, #2 and #3 have arrived safely. They will leave tomorrow on the 1st military flight between 7am and 9am. If convoys #4 and #5 arrive in time they will leave on another flight late in the afternoon.

04/09/94 21:46

Asst. Secretary Moose at 21:15 asked for an update on Rwanda and status of AmCit Evacuees. The coordinator briefed him p

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| | | er sitreps and advised him that they were in the process of moving forward a cable from Sec. Christopher to Pres. of Burundi thanking the GOB for its ongoing cooperation. Asst. Sec. asked RWG to try to move forward with a military to military message. He further advised that he would be in at 7:55 to accompany DAS Bushnell to briefing of Sec. Christopher. He asked what records for private convoy leaving Rwanda into Zaire at Goma(sic). |
| 04/09/94 | 22:29 | Sachiko Gode (Peace Corps Washington) inquired about the whereabouts of Rwanda Peace Corps Director Mike Finnley. |
| 04/09/94 | 22:35 | IPO Walt Myers was advised by Coordinator that convoy #2 and #3 have arrived safely in Bujumbura. IPO has confirmed that Mike Finnley (Rwanda Peace Corps Dir.) is safe in AmEmbassy Kigali. |
| 04/09/94 | 23:24 | The Belgian Embassy in Washington reports the following troop movement: 200 Belgian soldiers are in Bujumbura, 357 are in Nairobi and 54 are en route to Nairobi. The government of Belgium will meet in Brussels at 3 am EDT to decide how they will get into Kigali. Only once they are in Kigali will they decide how to evacuate Belgian citizens. |
| 04/09/94 | 23:54 | Consular Officer L. Lane confirms that [redacted] was part of convoy #1. A fax was received at AmEmbassy Kigali from 7th day Adventist that the UN escort did not arrive in Uganda(sic) They are waiting for instructions for evacuation. All [redacted] B6 [redacted] B1 |
| 04/10/94 | 00:04 | elaine schunter from emb nairobi relayed following: 1. Amb Brazeal wants department guidance on how to handle rwanda who may be coming out on flights 2. two canadian consular officials would like to take next c-141 flight from nairobi to bujumbar to assist canadian evacuees. Embassy nairobi says secstate must ask evcom to authorize this. 3. can press members ride on c-141 from nairobi to buj 4. nairobi emboff talks with belgiovn amb in ani reveal; a) one c-5 will land nairobi at 11:30, 4 more to arrive at 2 hours intervals. b) belgian c-130's have received landing rights in kigali |
| 04/10/94 | 00:04 | Entry continued b. belgian c-130's have received landing rights in kigali |

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they do nto intend to leave for kigali. before 16:30
 c. rpf has told belgians to come and act as buffer with
 french, otherwise rpf threatens to kill belgian citizens
 d. Bodies of 10 Belgian soldiers in such bad condition
 rwandans do not want to return them, belgian's asking red
 cross to help with this.

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Embass Nairobi reports: the first C-5 is rescheduled to
 arrive in Nai at 11:30 local; 4 others to land at 2
 hour intervals.
 Be has clearance to land in Kigali from GOF, experts to
 depart Nairobi earlier than 16:30, in C-130's flight time
 approximately 2 1/2 hours.
 RPF has issued a statement welcoming the arrival of the
 Belgians, who can act as a buffer against the F.R.R. N.
 Threatens to begin killing Belgian civilian if BE forces
 Dont's arrive "room".

04/10/94 00:12

Communication to TF. closed operations on normal circuit.
 Only telephone and radio now. Now starting destruction of
 classified equipment, leaving today. Please call Beltsville
 [redacted] and tell them (note - done at 12:18) Call
 UNIMIR -via NY to ask if RPF government forces
 assurances from yesterday are valid today: with white flags
 & AM flags, convoy will not be disturbed. Desk will ask
 Weally.

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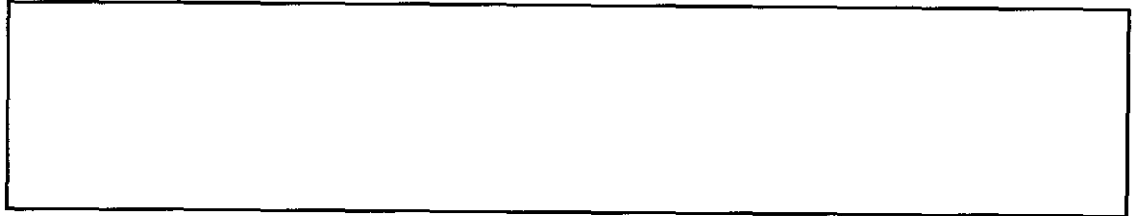
Laura Lane to MBL - AID message w&w [redacted] and his
 mde it in convoy #1 finnish couple won't have complete
 list for other nationalities i.e. Germans - took their
 people away on arrival in Bujumbura.
 UN escort never showed up. Problems with
 Rwanda, students but they left. No gendarmes there quiet
 will try to leave tomorrow Fr BE will try to give escort of
 gendarmes. Laura will try to call them.
 UN & ICRC Amcits will not try to locate assume UN will take
 care of them. Have no way to contact them. Don't want to
 put themselves at risk to take care of people already
 arranged never heard from the.
 Today working on 7th Day Adventist and private amcits no
 further calls from Rwanda parents of Amcits. No way to
 communicate, what should they do. [redacted]

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04/10/94 00:35 Col [redacted] - assurances still valid? Will double check with Amb. if they still want us to ask UN if UNAMIR assurances are still valid. Kigali reports they contacted Belgian Amb on phone to see how they can help ut with stranded Amcit.

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04/10/94 00:52 Reed to UNAMIR
Christine Delliso senior civilian in UNAMIR convoys to depart at 10:30 and 11:30. Amb. wants Dellaine to ask RPF and army to reiterate yesterday's assurances of safe conduct for the convoy (cars in convoy identified by American flags and white banners). Need to know assurances are still valid for today asked us to call back in 20 minutes.

04/10/94 01:09 Laura Lane
1. Pregnant American woman 2 previous C-sections, going into labor. Embassy talked to Belgians can UNAMIR get her out?
2. Adventists - Belgians supposed to also get them from Mudende. 1 Amcit [redacted] says he will stay. Lane advised him this is his last chance to be pulled out - we can't go back again. Getting a statement from him saying he realizes this.
3. Please ask UNAMIR if UNAMIR and UN Amcits will be taken care of by UN?

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04/10/94 01:15 Bujumbura heard on alerts that RPF has given foreigners 24 hours to leave country can we verify?
Reed to Janice Meadows - re: + 25 Canadians 2 ideas 6 assemble and follow our convoys - Canadian and white flags on their vehicles but if yo makeit clear you are leaving and are flagged, could make your own convoys.

04/10/94 01:23 Fendrick to CDelliso, UNAMIR - following up previous conversation south from Kigali - no request for escort just RPF and RW mil. assurances of safe passage. Are we correct

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in assuming UN Amcit employees are not planning to join Embassy evac, will rely on UN. Ameericans with UN in Rwanda 6 at most. 2 4/10 convoys are their last chance. Any move about for UNAMIR to pull out? Will decide whether to withdraw non-essentials within a few hours, whether to pull everyone within 48 hours. Group of Seventh Day Adventist in Mudende. They think Belgian element of UNAMIK will escort them t Zaire. Can confirm no BE National troops in Rwanda not affiliated with UNAMIR? Yes. Force coming out of DMZ could move toward Mudende. Our report of movement within 1 hour to that group is not sure. She was unaware of it. Dellaine promised only UN escordfrom Gitarama to border. No assurances never made such an agreement. On their own to Gitarama.

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Laura Reed - Passed message re UNAMIR assurances of safe psg. only escort for Gitarama to border. Moving with or without assurances.

DATT - ("not in a position to get") asked and the sides replied or can't talk to them, promised to confirm.

Aware of pregnant woman for 1st time this AM. Hadn't mentioned her. I required about old people, but no one had mentioned there was a pregnant person. Across border to Zaire is better.

They will pick up the [] Just left will bring to American club. B6

Giordannos convoy at 10:00 or 10:30 last one once everything is secure. Last sitrep before they leave. Not sure whether there will be radio contact.

[] staying behinds

[] - going out with Murdende group. Lots of Germans and Canadians going too with the convoy. Amcit children with Rwandan parents, can't contact them missing.

[] - maybe with Seventh Day Adventists. assistance to?

CARE people the only ones left. Some people in Butare either they elect to stay or will come.

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Msg for UNAMIR - need either UN escort from Embassy to CARE people or let RPT know they will go that way - ensure that vehicle isn't disturbed. 2 get 2 CARE people.

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| 04/10/94 | 02:22 | Request from CPU Monday - contact mail and pouch. Division - cease all deliveries to Kigali finished with CPU destruction. | |
| 04/10/94 | 02:26 | Reed to UNAMIR clarification: 1. When Dellaine says "can't get assurances" Couldn't contact them; or they wouldn't give them? 2. UNAMIR escort to Byomba or RPF assurances for car going there to get CARE people. Possible? General Dellaire - RPF has granted promise of safe passage - but can't contact Rwandan army forces Re #2. No + No. UNAMIR can't even resupply its forces. | |
| 04/10/94 | 02:37 | Convoyed UNAMIR respone on 2 questions in item 0226. UN Amcits will take care of themselves. Proposing going around town to pick up the CARE people avoiding hot spots. | |
| 04/10/94 | 02:45 | Embassy Bujumbura says evac groups 1, 2 & 3 to head to airport at 7:00a.m. local time for flights to Kenya (12:45 a.m. telcon). | |
| 04/10/94 | 02:55 | Jim Vanderhoff - Nairobi will inform CPU to notify US if HF communications are established with the Mobbille HE Unit in Kigali. | |
| 04/10/94 | 03:05 | CIA Ops - Question regarding Rwandan and Bur mil defenses that pose a difficulty to aircraft. | B3 |
| 04/10/94 | 03:05 | Laura Lahor group only ones still a problem trying to figure alternate routes. When last convoy goes, are you out of communication? working on HF in car to speak to Nairobi. | |
| 04/10/94 | 03:16 | Several families elected to depart Kigali with the belgians. Prpose that U.S. mil helicopter accompany last helicopter, would Ambassador please consider. Communicator - asked IMIC - UNAMIR link possible? (EUCOM) | |
| 04/10/94 | 03:25 | EUCOM (IMOC) participants: JCS | |

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| | | TF (PM, Reed) UNAMIR 1. confirming frequencies for HF radio for UNAMIR escort. 2. will there be a UNAMIR escort? |
| 04/10/94 | 03:30 | Embassy Nairobi reports that the Italians say that 3 Italian C130s have taken off from Italy for Nairobi, 6 Belgian C130s have landed in Nairobi with Personnel and equipment. |
| 04/10/94 | 03:45 | escort - don't meet before Gitorama - pending clearance from sector cmdr to enter Rwanda airspace. Signed statements from families staying - one. 25 total leaving in convoy. Orphanage people say they're leaving then there are Dutch military will fly helicopter. Pending [] 1 family 2 children Belgians will look for them Cmdr may send tank for the family. Everyone is either accounted for or promises of assistance for them. Staying or left overland own menas. |
| 04/10/94 | 04:08 | no helicopter escort. possible medevac on stand-by just in case. |
| 04/10/94 | 05:28 | Situation around their area deteriorated. Almost didn't get convoy through. Amb still at residence. Ask Cmdr Marchal to help him move attending to the woman in labor. Shooting in Gitarama according to UN. Will get sitreps and change route as necessary. Hope to have Amb. with them by the time they leave Kigali 18 and 40-50 cars (68) Cannot stand outside anymore. Area getting surrounded. |
| 04/10/94 | 05:31 | Fendrick to UNAMIR - unconfirmed rumor that bridge near Kigali on road south is damaged or destroyed. Heard anything? UNAMIR has no knowledge of the bridge. Small scale bandity at Gitorama - some shooting but no organized warfare no confirmation of shooting at western convoys. |
| 04/10/94 | 05:34 | Embassy to TF - Bridge is out going to double check. If they can't go over they'll come back and regroup 1) does UN have any knowledge. |

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| | | 2) is it true shooting on another convoy as it passed through Gitorama? How big is the bridge? Can river be crossed? Do they know the dirt road to Bugaserra. |
| 04/10/94 | 05:34 | Entry continued Bougasera road not possible, blocked by RPF. Ambassador is at residence holding convoy there pending news on bridge. Can we contact Col Marshal to see if they can escort Ambassador? UNAMIR is sending car to Amb's residence. Bridge is confirmed ok. |
| 04/10/94 | 05:58 | MDL briefed press duty officer Nancy Bech |
| 04/10/94 | 05:59 | Ambassador coming with UNAMIR escort all Embassy coming in to join convoy. Possibility of 3rd small convoy. Order for 2nd convoy to depart, to come from DATT. |
| 04/10/94 | 06:10 | TF radios are not working in the car. HSR to TF1 called for an update. |
| 04/10/94 | 06:10 | From Laura: They will all depart in the second convoy. The Kenyan party will be contacted and directed to join convoy. HF radio is down. Plan to be off Embassy by 12:30. |
| 04/10/94 | 06:28 | 6 Official people aside 60 vehicles, over 300 people, avg 6/vehicle Kenyans - 3 families, Consular equipment w/American officers. US flag vehicles communication Walt Meyers fetching Amb. |
| 04/10/94 | 06:30 | Sitrep to Moose by Fendrick. |
| 04/10/94 | 06:37 | Monique - status unknown phone was cut. Joyce Leader says ICRC 10-20,000 estimate dead. 3 years of war 5,000 |
| 04/10/94 | 07:05 | 10 vehicles without gas asked across the street will give Kenyans not to Indians unless they pay. Will move as soon as Kenyans are ready Indians will catch up. Ambassador |

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| | | wearing a seersucker suit. |
| 04/10/94 | 07:07 | Ambassador Rawson to Pru CCO and gendarnes got Ambassador when UNAMIR couldn't passed roadblocks. Convoy on it's way. Pulling the plug, talk to you from Bujumbura. Kudos to country team. |
| 04/10/94 | 07:10 | Roslyn Anderson (CMS) turned off open lines to Kigali. |
| 04/10/94 | 07:43 | 0725 Emb. Brussels DCM and DATT relate that the Belgians are working with the French to get their personnel in to evacuate their expats. The French have 400 troops at the airport and are landing 120 more; however they are talking with the gov't of RW rather than using force. Bel. wants to bring in 240 from Nai to start, plus heavy equipment; the equipment is a problem for the Rwandans. Both the Belg and French expect trouble getting their cits out of areas controlled by hostile forces--the FR will have trouble with the RPF; the Belg. with elements of Govt. forces. Belgium is NOT asking anything more from the USG at present and are satisfied with the assistance they have received so far. We are giving them 5 C-5 flights Bruss-Nai; the first has landed and the last should be leaving Bruss by 2400 local time. The Belgians have unilaterally changed the ROE for their UNAMIR troops; they are now authorized to do whatever (CONTINUED NEXT LOG) |
| 04/10/94 | 07:51 | is necessary to protect themselves and evacuees. |
| 04/10/94 | 08:00 | Pru Bushnell -- #2 Shift Director |
| 04/10/94 | 08:05 | Coordinator Arlene Render called for a review of events during the last shift and tasks for the day were assigned. |
| 04/10/94 | 08:10 | Notes from morning meeting: * JCS reports that Belgians are moving their troops from Nairobi to Kigali. Expected departure within 2 hours. 500-700 troops from 3rd Batalion Para commandor supported by an Armor company. 7/8 Belgian C-130s involved in airlift. Heavy equipment to follow after it arrives. Reason for hurry is that several additional Belgians peacekeepers have been killed. keep abreast of UCOM plans. |
| 04/10/94 | 08:15 | Notes from the morning meeting: * Operation now is essentially to bring things together |

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| | | in Nairobi. |
| 04/10/94 | 08:20 | * TF/IO will continue to track AMCITs with UN organizations. |
| 04/10/94 | 08:25 | * TF/PM will monitor Burundi military nervousness as well as plane movements and EUCOM's plans for the US Marines in Bujumbura. |
| 04/10/94 | 08:30 | * TF Coordinator and AF/RA Rep. will track convoy progress. |
| 04/10/94 | 08:32 | * TF Coordinator and Director will determine followup actions for Laura Lane. |
| 04/10/94 | 08:36 | * TF will consider Ambassador Rawson's request to remain in Bujumbura. |
| 04/10/94 | 08:45 | * TF will discuss admin/logistics issues with Bujumbura. |
| 04/10/94 | 09:06 | JAC Molesworth confirms that 2 dozens US missionaries, under UNAMIR escort, have crossed safely into Zaire at Goma. Onward travel not available. |
| 04/10/94 | 09:07 | |
| 04/10/94 | 09:55 | Consular Task Force talked to AMEMB Nairboi Joel Cassidy evacuees are being processed at the Regency Hotel in Nairboi telephone 211199. |
| 04/10/94 | 10:00 | Wheels down of the second C-141 at 1630 Nairobi time. |
| 04/10/94 | 10:51 | TF requested that Bujumbura establish protocol for regular contact with the convoy at 15 minute intervals and that the convoy provide location and travel situation at regular transmisson. Also provided info regarding reported bridge down in the vicinity of Butari and requested that it be passed to the convoy. Estimate deriving from current convoy location would have the convoy crossing the Burundi border prior to dark. Embassy Bujumbura has several officials positioned at the border to facilitate border crossing. |
| 04/10/94 | 11:46 | At 1120, Embassy Bujumbura reported that they just received a radio report from the convoy. The RSO from Bujumbura has |

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met up with the convoy in Nutare, Rwanda (about 20 miles north of the border). The convoy contains close to 100 vehicles and 400 people.

04/10/94 11:48 A group of expatriates (including five Americans) previously trapped in an orphanage outside Kigali are now proceeding south on the road toward the Akagera Game Park. They plan to meet up with a UN contingent staying at a hotel at the south side of the park. The Task Force is working to facilitate the link-up.

04/10/94 12:00 Col. [] in Buj told Coordinator that he was planning a night evacuation of arriving evacuees. Coordinator told him that this was counter to our agreement given sensitivities and suscipions of the Burundi government and military. Coordinator spoke to Charge who confirmed that there will be no night flights and that Col. [] was aware. Coordinator asked Charge to reconfirm this fact with [] and he did so. Charge also noted that he had obtained permission for the C-130 to circle Burundi airspace. Coordinator questioned soundness of this action given Burundi concerns. She noted that Buj CPU had indeed arranged radio contact with convoy and convoy was checking in every fifteen minutes. She indicated that we would stick to stated instructions of no night flights. B6

04/10/94 12:25 12:10 Telecon w/Elaine Shunher DCM Nairobi (Sonja Rix)
1) Both C-130s have arrived, evacuees are at the Reception center in the Grand Regency Hotel, they are in reasonably good spirits by tense.
2) Evacuees being processed by Consular officers, cashiers, medical personnel.
3) Embassy Nairobi personnel now preparing reports and next steps plan.
4) The Belgian C-130 from Kigali w/bodies of 10 UNAMIR personnel and wounded Belgians arrived in Nairobi.
5) A UNHCR plane from Kigali with one AMCIT aboard will arrive in Nairobi o/a 14:00 Washington time - Embassy will meet.
6) One C-141 broke down after arrival in nairobi; the other C-141 will go to Mombassa.

04/10/94 13:24 IO telephone conversation with Captain Van Poulen in Kigali (UNAMIR). Asked him to try to locate American citizens.

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[redacted] He had no information on when or how UNAMIR would evacuate. At 1:00 p.m. IO Conversation with Maj. Amir whose with the UN Situation Room in New York. The UN convoy left yestarday morning and was a UNDP convoy of 20 vehicles. They have no information on the convoy. There is no list and they have no contact in Bujumbura. IO conversation with Bujumbura confirmed that UN convoy had arrived at 1:00 p.m. Bujumbura time and included two Americans, and [redacted] and one other.

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Rwanda Deskoff spoke to Nairobi Embassy at 1355 EDT. They reported the following: the entire Kigali convoy had crossed the border; the UN has chartered a plane from Buj to Nairobi for 60 overland evacuees, including Amcit and UNHCR employee Deborah Dishman; the UN plans three evacuation flights directly from Kigali for tomorrow, with one arriving at 0900 Nairobi time with 40 expats, one arriving at 1100 Nairobi time with 80 people, and one arriving at 1300 Nairobi time with 300 people; the orphanage group of 40 will be staying overnight at a Belgian co-op in eastern Rwanda and if the UN can get their flights out tomorrow they would go b back to Kigali to get on one of those flights (they have a U UN escort). Deskoff advised them that the security situatio in Kigali is still very volatile and that we vwere checking with Embassy Dar Es Salaam to see what the security situatio n and options were like for a Tanzanian border cross.

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At 1300 Coordinator asked Buj. CPU to contact convoys every ten minutes instead of every fifteen.

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EUR rep. Davison telcon with AmEmb Brussels DATT Col. [redacted] [redacted] There are no current requests from gov. of Belgium (GOB) for further logistical support. When GOB reviews efforts to bring their citizens in from bush, it may renew requests for helicopter support ([redacted] informs that helicopter sup port presently in Bujubura (3-6 CH053 sea stallions) are no t appropriate for search/rescue in hostile environment. (Equ ip of choice - Blackhawks w/support gunships) [redacted] also informs that once our amcits are out of Bujumbura, the US mi litary is to "pick up all its stuff and get out." Davison re layed these details to director Amb. Render and Coord. McCul lum.

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Coordinator briefed WH Situation room and A/S Moose on location of last convoy. She noted that convoy had crossed

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into Burundi. Convoy expected to arrive Bujumbora around 2300 local Burundi time.

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When Amb. Rawson arrives Buj. he should contact the Task Force.

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Bill Hawley called from the Canadian Embassy. Ottawa asked him to call the Task Force offering seats on a Canadian plane which maybe flying to Kigali from Nairobi tomorrow. Timing of the planes departure for Kigali is uncertain. Hawley said that the plane will be evacuating Canadians but that there would be space for Americans in Kagali. He had no further details but wished to stay in contact with the Task Force.

04/10/94 15:50

First convoy has arrived Buj. and is at the Embassy for processing.

04/10/94 16:04

Dwight Samuels is now the logger

04/10/94 16:17

Rwanda Deskoff spoke to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He says he intends to stay and does not want to be evacuated. He lives 1 km north of Amb. residence and reports situation is relatively calm, but during the day there was sporadic fighting between GOR and RPF. The names of the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

While deskoff was on the phone, CA spoke to Embassy Dar Es Salaam, which reported that the convoy should not have any problem crossing the TZ border but they'd have to make a ferry crossing and the road is dirt. They had no info on the security situation in eastern Rwanda. Deskoff passed this to [REDACTED] and relayed our serious security concerns about returning to Kigali and asked that he [REDACTED] pass this to the [REDACTED] group. He said he would but noted that the group includes 4 people over 70 and someone with a heart condition and they didn't think they could make the arduous trip to and through Tanzania. Deskoff passed a list of Amcits with W&W inquiries to Nairobi to pass to [REDACTED] to see if he knows about any of them. We had to get off becaus

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| | | e we were interfering with radio communication with the convoy. Nairobi will raise him later and report back to us on results. |
| 04/10/94 | 16:20 | Leornard Lang reported by phone from Buj that he had just made radio contact with Ambassador Rawson's convoy. They are about forty minutes from Bujumbura. |
| 04/10/94 | 16:53 | ACTION ITEM Rwanda Deskoff spoke with DAS Bushnell about [redacted] telcon. B6 It was agreed that once the convoy is in and we can contact [redacted] without interfering with convoy communications, we should raise [redacted] through Nairobi and ask him to ask the [redacted] group to contact him to check on the security situation before/before they return to Kigali. He should then try to talk to UNAMIR, French/Belg etc, to see if he can get a report on whether it's safe for the group to return. This info should then be passed to the group. If the group does decide to go back to Kigali after being advised of the security situation, [redacted] should notify UNAMIR, French/Bel that the group is coming so they don't miss the evacuation flight. Deskoff briefed incoming shift of this. |
| 04/10/94 | 17:06 | Coordinator McCulley spoke with Janice Meadows form the Canadian monitoring group in Ottawa. Canadians have one C-130 based in Nairobi which will be shuttling to Buj. to make three evac flights. Meadows reported that the UN has another C-130 which will be making three evac flights from Kigali on Monday. The UN flights will depart from Kigali at 9, 11, and 1300. The UN flights will be carrying most of the expats who are now lodged at the Meridian hotel. |
| 04/10/94 | 17:13 | Ambassador Rawson spoke with the RWG from the chancery in Buj. Render informed Rawson that he should stay in the chancery because the President wanted to talk to him. Rawson spoke with D/O Aiston who congratulated him on a first class evac. Rawson commended the Belgians on rescuing the Americans on campus. |
| 04/10/94 | 17:38 | Ambassador Rawson spoke with President Clinton. |
| 04/10/94 | 17:45 | EUR Rep. Davison called AmEmb Brussels Rep. on Belgium TF Col. Gordon. Gordon confirmed no GOB requests pending. Gordon |

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| | | informed GOB has requested that 10 Belgium press cover and accompany last US C-5 flight to Nairobi. EUCOM admiral Lehrer (?) said OK, that GOB is paying for flights and can so do. Air military command rep. said he would have to check with Scott AFB, Illinois. |
| 04/10/94 | 17:50 | EUR Rep. Davison relayed info on Belgian press desire to be on last C-5 flight to Amb. Render wo said, based on fact that all Amcits not out of Rwanda, she does not give permission for press on C-5 flight. Amb. instructed PM rep. Fitz Cart y for action. |
| 04/10/94 | 18:07 | The UN (New York) field operations division movement cell (212) 963-7840 confirmed at 5:45 that the UN is running three UN re-supply flights into Kigali tomorrow (Monday 4/11) these are UNOSOM aircraft. |
| 04/10/94 | 18:21 | At 1800 EDT, Rwanda deskoff spoke to CPU at Embassy Nairobi, who had raised [redacted] (in Kigali) on the radio. Deskoff instructed Nairobi to pass the instructions noted in Log action item at 1653 and to pass contents of Dar Es Salaam 002178 (concerning overland evacuation to Tanzania) to [redacted] to pass to the [redacted] group. As for the list of Amcits, Nairobi said that [redacted] reported thaty the [redacted] left on today's convoy. He did not know about the others or about [redacted] or her group. |
| 04/10/94 | 18:35 | PM Rep Carty called the EUCOM press action Team and J-5 Col. [redacted] (US Rep. on Belgium TF). Instructed to deny permission for Belgium press to accompany last C-5 flight. EUCOM (Col. [redacted]) wants to continue with the press. We passed that State's position is NO. Joint Staff was also advised again of State position. Adm [redacted] called back to confirm DoS position. Carty explained situation again. Adm [redacted] said he would make sure they did not get on aircraft. |
| 04/10/94 | 19:05 | Director A. Render spoke to Amb. Flaten to serve as director for the the next RWG shift scheduled from midnight to eight AM. |
| 04/10/94 | 19:08 | Coordinator McCulley spoke with Paris AF watcher Perlow. Perlow reported that the first French refugees arrived at Char |

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| | | les DeGaulle airport at 2200Z safe and sound. Minister of C operation Roussin reiterated that flight was a one time onl y operation and was not a UN operation. France reports that 500 out of 600 of their nationals have been safely evacuated from Rwanda. French will withdraw once the operation is com pleted. Roussin also said that the UN has to play a role in Rwanda and that the government of France will participate with UN efforts. |
| 04/10/94 | 19:15 | Director Render went off duty. Coordinator McCulley has as sumed Directorship. |
| 04/10/94 | 19:22 | Col. [] (DATT in Brussels) called to say we shoul ^{B6} d be aware that the Burundi Government has asked us (the US military) to depart as soon as we finish the evacuation. |
| 04/10/94 | 19:25 | Embassy Nairobi called RWG to reprt that [] advise d by eadio from Kigali that he will not/not contact any mili tary to inform them that the forty expats currently in easte rn Rwanda may return to Kigali to catch an evac flight. We asked that Nairobi contact [] again to find out if the eastern group has decided whether to return to Kigali or hea d for Tanzania, and what time they will depart. If the group is heading for Kigali, WG must contact French, Belgians, an d UNAMIR to let them know this group is en route. |
| 04/10/94 | 19:48 | Embassy Nairobi advised that [] said that the [] [] group in eastern Rwanda will not decide which route to take until daybreak in Rwanda. Nairobi will contact Wilkins again in about 4 hours to get an update. We asked Nairobi to ask [] if he has any information on the nationalitie as of non-Amcits in the group. |
| 04/10/94 | 19:48 | Telcon EUCOM Intel Support staff spoke with WG Col [] and reported that a French MoD report confirmed 580 evacs f rom Kigali, total. Also reported the French, Canadian, Belg ique, and German embassies will stay open. |
| 04/10/94 | 20:05 | Col. [] (AmEmb Rep. Brussels TF) called EUR rep. Davison ^{B6} . GoB military rep. on TF has asked to whom they can appeal on the political-ministerial level regarding the prohibition on the travel of 10 Belgian press on last C-5 flight to Nai robi. Coordinator McCulley contacted DAS Bushnell who spoke |

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to A/S Moose. Moose gives permission and Davison so informs Col. [] who tells GoB military rep. that press can board.

04/10/94 21:00 Updated microlog message drafted, cleared, and given to CMS for recording.

04/10/94 21:00 DAS Bushnell called RWG and spoke to Coord. McCulley who gave her an update. Two main issues in the next few hours: 1) sight for redeployment of US military now in Burundi 2) Status of stray Amcits in Rwanda. DAS Bushnell reiterated the importance of establishing a backup contact in Kigali (in addition to Amcit []; DAS Bushnell asked that we work to alert UNAMIR, French, and Belg of possibility that the eight Amcits plus thirty-two expats in the [] convoy may require evac from Kigali on Monday.

04/10/94 21:11 IO rep. called UNAMIR/Kigali (xt. 3091) to alert UNAMIR to the group of forty expats (8 Amcits) coming from Rwamagama. Polish UNAMIR officer agreed to factor the forty into evac planning. Officer warned that evac effort will be in high gear until noon local time Tuesday evacuating the five points of concentration. Routes from the five points to airport will be "covered by French paratroopers." UNAMIR officer advised that group go directly to the airport (comment: There road into Kigali will bring them to the airport first) or to one of the concentration points. We advised UNAMIR that we will pass these instructions to the group of forty if possible and will update UNAMIR on same number should we have contact with the group.

We asked for an update on the security situation in Kigali. Impressions of the UNAMIR officer, bearing in mind that he is out at the airport doing staging of evacuation, follows: Evacuation of expats is going well and encountering no/no significant or systematic hindrance. A French convoy which recently came out to the airport from Kigali found the task "easy." On the other hand, UNAMIR officer has the impression that Rwandans continue to suffer "slaughter" and "banditry." He said that small and large caliber fire can still be heard. (comment: this at roughly 0300 local time Monday, 4/11 in Kigali.) "All continues."

04/11/94 00:00 Shift one - Monday 4/11 assumes working group duties.

04/11/94 00:34 Embassy Bujumbura checking in. Nothing to report at this time but noted that one of the departures will be a

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| | | little delayed but "Not a problem." | |
| 04/11/94 | 01:54 | 01:25 Task Force Director talked with Embassy Nairobi and was advised that the [] group was proceeding to Tanzania. | B6 |
| 04/11/94 | 01:56 | 01:35 CA Rep./Task Force - Emb/Nairobi Telcon Passed message to Embassy Nairobi to [] that [] asks that [] leave Rwanda as soon as possible. The CA Rep. also indicated that [] does not wish to evacuate and that there is looting going on. It was mentioned that the missing family, [] has been identified and that the CA Rep. is still working on appx. 2 dozen missing AMCITS. | B6 |
| 04/11/94 | 02:13 | 02:10 FBIS duty officer called to ask for an evaluation of FBIS performance in getting information over the weekend for the Task Force. Coordinator gave him his impression that FBIS reports had been useful paritcularly for the information about the French and Belgium statement, but suggested that a more complete evaluation would better come from AF/C and Task Force Director Amb. Arlene Render. FBIS duty officer said that she would call back to talk to Amb. Render sometime after 8:00 a.m. today. | |
| 04/11/94 | 02:28 | 02:19 Emb Buj. checking in. The Ambassador asked of the proposed departure. Embassy indicated that it didn't have a proposed time but would alert the Task Force as soon as that information is received. | |
| 04/11/94 | 02:34 | Desk Officer - Telecon with Emb. Brussels Judy Johnson who reports that the Belgians has no information on the possible whereabouts of [] and that the Belgians cannot confirm whether four AMCITS departed Kigali yesterday by air. Informed Brussels that the [] are safe in Bujumbura. | B6 |
| 04/11/94 | 02:46 | 02:40 Received NIACT Immediate 8224 advising of the status of several AMCIT groups still in Rwanda. Desk officer informed that the Task Force will contact Embassy Nairobi concerning the matter. | |
| 04/11/94 | 02:52 | 02:00 [] from OSD called to ask about whether the 40 people including 8 AMCITS was headed toward Kigali or | |

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| | | Tanzania. TF passed infomation that it had by phone from Nairobi that this group was headed toward Tanzania. |
| 04/11/94 | 03:45 | 3:40 a.m., [] of OSD called for further information on the eight AMCITS that had been reported headed for Tanzania. Task Force passed infomation just received by phone from Nairobi indicating that two elderly AMCITS were returning to Kigali along with two Australians, twenty Belgians and UNAMIR escorts. The remaining six (3 care, 3 Adventist) were still reported headed toward Tanzania. Task Force called OSD at 3:47 a.m. to pass number and date time group of Naribio 6373, which confirmed this telephone information. |
| 04/11/94 | 03:54 | 03:35 received NIACT immediate 8228 advising of Embassy Nairobi's additional radio contact with the [] group in Eastern Rwanda. |
| 04/11/94 | 04:33 | 04:15 - Reestablished contact with Emb. Bujumbura Laura Lane Summary: The Phone had been hung up by the cleaning person. Mrs. Lane is calling from a fax machine in the mail room. Task Force again inquires of the proposed departure. She indicated that the flight out to Nairobi had not left yet and that Col. [] said it would be a little longer before departure and would keep the Task Force abreast of the proposed departure. |
| 04/11/94 | 05:46 | 04:30 Task Force called Major [] an Assistant to the UNAMIR Commander, in Kigali. Maj. [] reported that 40 people (including 8 AMCITS) had not yet left Rwamagana. Thus, it is not clear how many of these AMCITS would be coming back to Kigali or going on to Tanzania. |
| 04/11/94 | 05:50 | 05:45 Watch called Maj. [] who said that he still had not heard from UNAMIR troops Rwamagana, but he hoped to know more by about 0630. |
| 04/11/94 | 07:12 | 06:15 Task Force received text of Dar Es Salaam 2202 and Nairobi 6387. These messages confirmed that the group of 40 (including 8 AMCITS) was still at Rwamagana. Nairobi 6387 indicated that those planning to return to Kagali were waiting for a UNAMIR escort and asked the Task Force to so advise UNAMIR. Task Force passed this and other contents of |

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| | | these two messages to UNAMIR/Kagali (Major [redacted]) at 06:17. |
| 04/11/94 | 07:35 | 0725 Embassy Bujumbura reports Europeans being killed and that 3 Belgians were executed. Also reporting to CA Rep. on whereabouts. |
| 04/11/94 | 07:50 | 13:15 local time Wheels up on the plane to Nairobi. Embassy does not know at this time how many AMCIT are on board. Will inform as soon as information is received. |
| 04/11/94 | 07:55 | Embassy informed that there are 32 AMCITS on the plane out of 68 total enroute to Nairobi from Bujumbura. |
| 04/11/94 | 08:00 | Shift two - assumes WG duties. Director -- DAS Pru Bushnell |
| 04/11/94 | 08:13 | Coordinator Arlene Render heads review of events during prior shift and assigns tasks for this WG. |
| 04/11/94 | 09:13 | (IO/Susan Zelle). In a conversation with Major Amir at the Un Situation Room in New York, he said that he doesn't yet have a time for the first UN plane departure from Kigali. According to Amir, a truce has been negotiated between the parties, but "is not yet in effect." This is a truce, not a ceasefire, since the RPF refuses to negotiate a ceasefire. According to Michael Barnett (USUN), who had talked to Dmitri Titov in UNHQ (NY), the RPF has said they won't come into Kigali (they will hold their position for 48 hours). And Force Commander Delleaire, who is "very pessimistic about UNAMIR's role," has indicated that he MAY ASK that the UNAMIR force be evacuated. |
| 04/11/94 | 09:22 | IO Susan Zelle conversation with USUN- UNHQ says there is a draft agreement to allow the evacuation of foreign nationals between RPF, Rwandan Govt and UNAMIR which begins today at 6pm local time. It is not a cease fire. There are two sets of planes being sent by the UN. WFP/UNDP planes from Uganda will take out UN and other foreign nationals. Other UN planes will come from Somalia to bring in supplies. |
| 04/11/94 | 09:39 | Linda Olbsen (M/FLO) reports wheels down for flight to Nairobi. |
| 04/11/94 | 09:49 | We have been asked by the Govt of Germany to provide a helicopter for the evacuation of 12 Deutsche Welle radio technicians |

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| | | ns at Mt Kiniya which is 12 kms NE of Kigali in an area where roads are mined and fighting between the Rwandan Army and the RPF is reported. We have replied that our rules of engagement do not permit the deployment of helicopters. We have urged the Germans to be in touch with the UN, French and the Belgians, whom they have contacted. |
| 04/11/94 | 10:34 | Frank Geerkens from the Embassy of Belgium called inquiring about a US assessment. He was referred to EUR. |
| 04/11/94 | 10:41 | Charge Browning in Dar es Salaam telephoned TF to advise that the [redacted] felt his life was in danger and presented the Charge with a letter requesting asylum in the US. Coordinator told Charge that in accordance with the rules governing asylum, the [redacted] was out of immediate danger since he was in Dar. He should inform the host govt of his fears and request they move him to a different location [redacted] [redacted] Charge Browning informed Coordinator that he had indeed made the same points. |
| 04/11/94 | 10:52 | Coordinator spoke with Ambassadors Carson, Breazeal, and Charge Browning regarding contingency position of Marines in support of evacuation of Rwanda. |
| 04/11/94 | 11:40 | Embassy Brussels called to inform WG that six Belgian civilians are now confirmed dead. Three were killed in Gisenyi on April 6/7 and three more were killed in Kigali recently. |
| 04/11/94 | 11:58 | Amb Carson in Uganda has spoke to President Museveni who has no problem with Marines using Entebbe. Ambassador may be contacted during the after hours at [redacted] |
| 04/11/94 | 12:00 | Coordinator Arlene Render calls for review of events from 0800. |
| 04/11/94 | 12:26 | AF/EX Barbara Sand reports that AmEmbassy Nairobi has been informed that OPR has arranged for US Despatch Agent, New York City, is prepared to assist all official Americans transitting NY. |
| 04/11/94 | 12:27 | AF/EX Barbra Sand reports that M/MED has dispatched Regional Psychiatrist from Pretoria to Nairobi to assist evacuees. |

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| 04/11/94 | 12:35 | IO-Susan Zelle conversation with Michael Barnett, USUN U/SYG for peacekeeping Riza addressed the Council and said the folowing: Truce arranged for 6 am tomorrow (local time) for 2 days Army is more important than the gendarmes in keeping the peace because the Defesne Minister has come back from Tan. Government and RPF cooperating okay on truce issue but only for evacuating foreigners UNAMIR is escorting convoys to the airport and doing some patrols Riza envisioned 2 scenarios: 1) if political agreement is reached, mandate should be resumed; 2) if no pol. agreement is reached, mandate should be looked at again (soon-1 day) There was no general discussion of the UNAMIR mandate-meeting until tomorrow. Belgians plan to stay, says USUN. RPS will NOT negotiate with the new government DMZ: UNAMIR is holding their position even though told to leave by the RPF because they don't want to get caught in the crossfire The planned 3pm (local time) meeting between the government and the RPD did NOT take place because of fighting. | |
| 04/11/94 | 12:50 | CA was in touch with [redacted] He stated that [redacted] [redacted] have safel y reached Tanzania. He did not know the whereabouts of [redacted] [redacted] CA then called Mr. Debronier (Belgian in charge of security at Kibongo prefecture). He confirmed that all (including the [redacted] had been evacuated to Tanz. Situation in Kigali from [redacted] Sporadic machinegun and artillery fire. | B6 |
| 04/11/94 | 13:25 | Amb. Rawson tasked WG to find a way to pay guards in Rwanda to protect Embassy and properties. They report that the Rwan dan Army has violated the DCM's residence, but nothing was removed. DS has advised Amb. Rawson to give all necessary info. to RSO so the guards can be compensated. He confirms that all [redacted] | B1 |
| 04/11/94 | 14:33 | PM advises that US military forces currently in Bujumbura are scheduled to relocate to Mombasa tommorow during daylight hours. | |

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| 04/11/94 | 15:45 | Amb. Rawson advises CA per telcon that AmCits (free methodis t) who were unaccounted, were contacted by IPU and a missionary. They signed a document stating they would evacuate with the Belgians. CA has confirmed that the AmCits are now in Nairobi. PM advised Amb. Rawson that he should try to contact German Embassy in Buj to coordinate the use of UNA MIR helicopters to retrieve 12 Deutsche Welle technicians during proposed cease fire at 6am local time. Amb. Rawson replied that PM should contact Belgians since they are in charge of the helicopters. |
| 04/11/94 | 15:52 | The Consular Ofcr in Dar has Advised CA the the [] AMCi ts) have advised him that the [] (AmCits) did not evacuate to Tanzania. They reportedly have stayed in Ramagana and are planning to return to Kigali. The French Ambassador in Kigali has advised Consular Ofcr. L. Lane (from Kigali) that no none should retrun to Kigali. CA is now trying to call Ramagana and advise the [] that they shold not return to Kigali and should continue on the road. B6 |
| 04/11/94 | 16:00 | Shift 1600 hrs. Coordinator: Amb. Arlene Render, Deputy Coord. Dennis Hankins: DS Kathleen Pianka, PM Col [], SWO M. Kennon, AF L. Lipscomb, IO C. English, CA Andy Parker and Mike Beatty, INR R. Ehrenreich, M/FLO L. Olbson, Secretaries: I. Butler, B. Stokes, Logger: Blanch Alston and the Director DAS. P Bushnell |
| 04/11/94 | 16:07 | Bonn has been notified that UNAMIR has helicopter assest and to contact UNAMIR Commander, Man, Gen. Dallaire, in Kigali, with request to extract 11 German technicians from remote mountain top NE of Kigali. |
| 04/11/94 | 16:18 | Coordinator Arlene Render briefs next shift on events accomplished by Shift #2. |
| 04/11/94 | 16:51 | Nairobi Ops center will be staffed all night. Several officers will remain at the airport and several at the hotel to deal with AMCITS possibly arriving on UN or others flights. |
| 04/11/94 | 17:08 | 1650 Belgian Emb was contacted re Germans; emboff then called Brussels and was told that Brussels was unaware of the si |

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tuation but was currently engaged in planning the next day's operations and would like to assist. Brussels requested exact coordinates for the Germans. German Emb in Wash. was informed of this and has contacted Bonn to suggest that Bonn contact Brussels ASAP/ASAP with a view to making necessary arrangements for use of Belgian/UNAMIR personnel and assets to extract the Germans.

04/11/94 17:45 Amb. Render asked *PM AND AF and Dep. Coord. to prepare memos to the various governments and agents concerned thanking them for assistance and cooperation during this period of evacuation. *Col. [] (PM), L. Lipscomb (AF) & D. Hankins Deputy Coord. B5

04/11/94 18:19 Task Force contacted Emb Bonn to pass message that the Germany Government should contact the Belgians in Brussels directly in order to arrange for evacuation of Germans on the hill by Belgium/UNAMIR forces. Duty officer said he would pass message on. As of 18:40. Chris Hoh Embassy Bonn (1) He passed the message for the Germans Operations Center that they contact the Belgians directly. (2) The UN in New York already told the Germans in NY that the UN will rescue their Germans at the radio station outside Kigali sometime tomorrow.

04/11/94 19:16 President Clinton visited the Rwanda Task Force at 19:16 hours on April 11, 1994. Accompanying the President was his wife Hillary, The Secretary and Ms. Christopher. He addressed the entire staff and commended the Task Force for such an outstanding job in the evacuation of all American citizens from Rwanda/Kigali. The entire Task Force had a photo op with The President and his wife Hilary, The Secretary and his wife, and their entourage.

04/11/94 19:30 Received phoncon fm JCS J-5 reporting UNAMIR request to UNOSOM II for 6 M113A2 Armored Personnel Carriers to be diverted from Somalia to Rwanda to assist in evac. COL [] provided approval to modify lease with paperwork to follow. Current communications are UN to UN. (Lease T9-B-LAA/fax cpy of UN request provided). Coordinator told Major [] that she had no problem with the request as long as it meant no American planes or pilots would be involved in transporting the equipment. Security situation in

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| | | Rwanda continues to deteriorate. | |
| 04/11/94 | 20:41 | Rwanda Working Group received cable | Amb. Rawson arrived Bujumbura safely. |
| 04/11/94 | 21:58 | Consular and Admin Duty officers will meet | AirFrance flight from Nairobi arriving 0630 in Paris 4/12/94. 3 private AMCITS and 6 official AMCITS are on board. |
| 04/12/94 | 00:05 | Coordinator Arlene Render holds briefing of events | for Shift # 1. |
| 04/12/94 | 01:42 | Consular Officer Laura Lane confirms that the [redacted] have arrived in Bujumbura via evac flight from Kigali. They are planning to leave on the next evac flight from Bujumbura. She also plans to try and contact [redacted] (AmCit who elected to stay in Kigali) to convince him to leave on the next possible evac flight out of Kigali. AmCit [redacted] has left Gisenyi and is now in Goma. Coordinator has asked L. Lane to try to confirm the cease fire is in effect and holding in Kigali. He reiterates the importance of convincing [redacted] to leave Kigali for his safety. | B6 |
| 04/12/94 | 02:16 | Consular Officer L. Lane has received speculations from a recent French evacuee that AmEmbassy Kigali has been looted. This has not been confirmed. She is still trying to contact [redacted] | |
| 04/12/94 | 02:53 | AmEmbassy Paris called to confirm the arrival of some official and private citizens in Paris from Nairobi. They report all seem to be in good shape but are tired. There is a flight arriving at 0830 local time. Embassy personnel will meet and assist. They will also meet and assist flight at 1700 local time. | |
| 04/12/94 | 04:00 | AmEmbassy Paris called to ask if flights were coming in from Bujumbura. CA advised that there is only 1 AirFrance flight that flies on Mondays. | |
| 04/12/94 | 04:11 | Ambassador Carson in Kampala spoke with Coordinator Amb. Flaten per telcon requesting if the use of Ugandan airport for evacuation was still needed. Coordinator advised them | |

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| | | that this is not necessary since they will go to Mombasa. |
| 04/12/94 | 04:39 | ACTION ITEM) Coordinator Flaten tasks IO to contact UN to get through to UNAMIR in Kigali to determine if ceasefire is holding. |
| 04/12/94 | 04:55 | UNAMIR in Kigali reports that there is no ceasefire at this time. Negotiations are underway but fighting continues. |
| 04/12/94 | 05:07 | Judy Johnston (Political Ofcr in Brussels) reports that the Belgian Foreign Ministry is asking the US for its views of UNAMIR's future. They are questioning if UNAMIR's mandate has changed so that it is no longer valid. At this time they have not decided, but they do not want to be the sole voice in the UN questioning UNAMIR. However, they note the special threat to Belgian troops. |
| 04/12/94 | 05:25 | PM advises that the first of the Marine flights has departed Bujumbura enroute to Mombasa. The last flight is scheduled to depart at 0630 EDT. DCM Tanzania notified that staging area there will no longer be required. |
| 04/12/94 | 06:11 | AF/P has advised Coordinator Amb. Flaten that fighting in Kigali has intensified. This is a result of the Interim Rwandan Government reportedly fleeing from the hotel to Gitarama. |
| 04/12/94 | 07:24 | The last flight for Mombasa has left. Its ETA is 0800 EDT. There were 7 AmCits, 2 Brits, 2 Australians and 2 Chileans on board. |
| 04/12/94 | 07:28 | Per Telcon, AmEmbassy Bujumbura has confirmed that the French Embassy in Kigali has closed. They further confirm that AmEmbassy Kigali has been looted. |
| 04/12/94 | 08:28 | Coordinator Amb. Flaten of Shift #1 briefs Shift#2 Amb. Render on events which have occurred. |
| 04/12/94 | 08:47 | During the shift change briefing the following points were covered: Most evacuees from Rwanda are expected in Washington by Friday The Government has fled Kigali and gone to Gitarama. The French Emb. is closed. The RPF appears very close to |

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the capital. US Marines in Burundi are enroute to Mombusa. The following action items were reviewed:

- 1) Coordinating with the Belgians and the UN on next steps for UNAMIR.
- 2) Producing thank-you letters for those who help with evacuations.

We will check with Bujumbura on the following questions:

- 1) How many private AMCITS evacuated to Burundi planned to stay in Burundi? We will tell Embassy Bujumbura to advise those Americans that we are under an ordered departure and that a travel advisory has been issued.
- 2) How many dependents on ordered departure from Bujumbura have left?
- 3) How many are scheduled to leave?
- 4) Was a community meeting scheduled? Lange replied that a meeting was scheduled within the hour.

04/12/94 11:04

Task Force/Wilson spoke with Laura Lane at 10:20. Lane said that a long cable would be coming in tomorrow on the whole chain of events from the downing of the President's airplane up to the present. Lane had been in touch with the son of the Consul of Luxembourg in Kigali (believed to be a Rwandan. He reported that there had been no cease fire that there had been heavy fighting all day long, pillaging of houses and killing of tutsis. She had also spoken to [redacted] who is definitely staying in Kigali. Lane has a signed statement from [redacted] to this effect. Everyone thinks that the RPF is close to taking Kigali and that there is a possibility that they will restore calm.

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09:45 IO: David Jensen received the following information from Michael Barnett at USUN New York:
The UN Peacekeeping office told Barnett that the Rwanda government leaders have left Kigali, but the Minister of Defense remains in Kigali. About 1,500 - 2,000 RPF troops are already in Kigali and have secured parts of it. UN Force Commander Dallaire is presently at the Kigali airport assisting evacuation efforts. He plans to seek talks with the RPF after dark.
UN Security Council is scheduled to meet at 3:30 p.m., New York time.

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11:15 - Laurie Shestack in USUN told IO - David Jensen that the Belgians are now canvassing UN Representatives in

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New York seeking their support for Belgium to withdraw its forces from UNAMIR. The Belgium Embassy in Washington is trying to meet with Secretary Christopher or his representative to seek USG support.

- 04/12/94 11:47 10:55: Task Force PM/TTulenko called Conrad Tribble, EUR/CE FRG Desk officer, re status of the German request for assistance in extracting the 11 Deutsche Welle employees at Mt. Kininya. Tribble said Embassy Bonn reports that the Germans are currently directing their requests to Belgium and the UN, not to the United States at this time. An e-mail message from Embassy Bonn to EUR/CE copied to the Task Force reported that FM Kinkel would ask UNSYG Boutros-Ghali when he visited Bonn today to send UNAMIR to get the Germans out.
- 04/12/94 12:33 10:00 - IO Assistant Secretary Doug Bennet convened a meeting to discuss the Belgian request for the US to support its request to withdraw Belgian troops from UNAMIR: AF Assistant Secretary George Moose attended, as did other representatives from AF, IO, INR, EUR, and PM. The group decided to recommend to USUN that it inform the UN Secretary General that the US would support his recommendation that UNAMIR withdraw from Rwanda. The group further decided that it would seek clearance on this recommendation from the NSC and others before relaying it to USUN.
- 04/12/94 13:01 At approx, 1245 pm, TFRW Wilson spoke with Buj. Conoff Julie O'Reagan who reported that [redacted] are all in Bujumbura.
- 04/12/94 13:15 Coordinator Arlene Render commended Embassy Bujumbura on a job well done in support of the evacuation.
- 04/12/94 13:18 1:00 Jane Brynn spoke with Julie (The Consular in Buj.) and requested that they send us the status of both official dependents in term of order departure and the status of all AMCITS in Burundi (names, location). In reference to the evacuees from Rwanda we requested an update as to their scheduled departure from Burundi.
- 04/12/94 14:14 12:57 Telcon between CA rep and Bujumbura consular officer, Julie O'Reagan: [redacted] (a family of six) arrived

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safely in Bujumbura from Rwanda. [redacted] is now in Bujumbura. The US citizens at Goma are being shuttled to Bujumbura by smaller charter plane loads. [redacted]

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[redacted] contacted the Embassy. The new arrivals will be assisted with onward transportation. CLO, who has been helping in the consular section, will be evacuated. Laura Lane, Kigali consular officer, is scheduled to depart on Thursday. CA rep and Task Force coordinator reiterated CA's offer of TDY assistance from regional consular officer. Embassy Bujumbura will report updated numbers and locations of private US citizens in Burundi later this week.

04/12/94 14:21 13:30 Telecon between CA rep and Kigali consular officer, Laura lane: She has no firm number of the Rwanda evacuees who have chosen to remain in Burundi; however, a lot have adopted a wait-and-see attitude. They seem to believe that if the RPF takes Kigali they will be able to return to Rwanda within a month; therefore, they are reluctant to leave the region.

04/12/94 16:00 Shift change - Jeff Millington coordinator.

04/12/94 16:50 Message passed to Nairobi re two families --
[redacted]

04/12/94 17:01 Embassy Bumjumbura signed off for the evening and and promises to re-establish the link before TF reopens at 0500 EDT.

04/12/94 22:00 Task Force recesses until 0500 April 13.

04/13/94 05:00 Shift Begins: (Director) Ambassador Flaten and (Coordinator) Terry McCulley were briefed by the Watch on events which had occurred.

04/13/94 07:30 06:40 Director Flaten spoke to Ambassador Rossin in Bujumbura. The discussion focused on the future of UNAMIR in Rwanda. Flaten asked Ambassador Rossin for his views on USUN 1526. Ambassador Rossin raised a number of administrative issues (payment of FSN salaries and local guard salaries) and PMO Bagley agreed to look into both.

04/13/94 07:47 7:00 U.S. Marines have returned to the USS Peleliu with helicopters. Four KC-130s remain in Mombasa. Marines,

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| | | KC-130's and HS-53 helicopters are on a two-hour standby for contingency operations. Four C-5A sorties are scheduled to arrive in Nairobi today with Belgian equipment. (PM Rep. CDR Steve Ingalsbe) |
| 04/13/94 | 07:56 | 7:05 M/FLO reported to the Task Force. Coordinator and Deputy Coordinator briefed M/FLO representative on Nairobi 8349 which request assistance in facilitating the entry of pets of evacuees at US Airports. M/FLO will follow up with appropriate airport officials and airlines. |
| 04/13/94 | 08:01 | 7:50 Task Force was tasked to prepare talking points for Tarnoff's upcoming conversation with the Belgian Foreign Minister on UNAMIR. |
| 04/13/94 | 08:45 | Eric Swantz, NSC staff, called Ambassador Flaten to inquire about Monique - We have no new information. He also asked for the Department's views on the asylum request of former [REDACTED] |
| 04/13/94 | 09:16 | ACTION ITEM Under Secretary Tarnoff's office called requesting talking points for a telecon with Belgian Foreign Minister Claes on the status of UNAMIR in Rwanda. Coordinator McCulley drafted and cleared points. |
| 04/13/94 | 09:35 | Coordinator Arlene Render called for a review of events since 4/12 at 1600 and tasks for the day were assigned. |
| 04/13/94 | 10:15 | M/FLO: There will be a debrief for all Kagali evacuees for all agencies on Tuesday at 1330 room 1912 Main State Representatives will be there to address administrative questions from evacuees. AID Will hold a briefing for their personnel on Monday at 1300 room 1912 Main State. Contact M/FLO for information (Linda Olesen). |
| 04/13/94 | 10:45 | DS - [REDACTED] reports: Local Guard Issues: Follow-up B7(C) - DS/LGP has faxed allotments to RSO Bujumbura - AID Guard: AID has again been contacted (Beth Salamanca ext. 5-415) - It is now their issue to resolve to pay their guards. - DS/LGP is prepared to convert contract guards into PSC if contract fails. |

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| 04/13/94 | 10:51 | P reports that Tarnoff spoke with Claes. Claes talked about UNAMIR and the important domestic issue that Rwanda had become in Belgium. He also said that the SYG had told him that he would be doing a report that UNAMIR would be terminate but the Belgians need to request this, putting the onus on the Belgians. Clase said that the Belgians are getting out regardless. Tarnoff said that we understand and that we will work with you. | |
| 04/13/94 | 11:25 | The Human Rights Watch called HA informing that human rights activist Monique Mujawamarrya is safe in Brussels, Belgium. The Human Rights Watch has spoken with her. | |
| 04/13/94 | 11:34 | 11:25 USUN confirmed arrival of the six UNOSOM APCs in Kagali. | |
| 04/13/94 | 11:40 | 11:31 - USUN (Maj. [redacted]) called PM Rep. to advise that Gen. Beril (UN MILAD) called USUN with an informal request for USG assistance in the evacuation of UNAMIR faces from Kigali. USUN indicated request will go to other countries with forces/assets in the area. PM Rep. advised TF Coordinator, PM/ISP, and J-5. Left note for IO/PAO to call. | B6 |
| 04/13/94 | 11:45 | DS - [redacted] reports on USAID LGP issue: USAID security, Jerry Christiansen (5-4800) stated that their finance people are working the issue. Task Force fax number was given to A.I.D. because Task Force needs a response ASAP. | B7(C) |
| 04/13/94 | 11:55 | DS - [redacted] reports on USAID LGP issue: USAID security, Beth Salamanca, stated they are working to resolve issue ASAP. But, she stated Kigali's USAID staff will be in Department on Monday, 4/18 and if all else fails they will handle issue. | B7(C) |
| 04/13/94 | 12:00 | CA Rep. reports that Nairobi 6669 reports that UNAMIR employees, [redacted] (AMCIT) and [redacted] (Trinidadian), arrived in Nairobi on a UN aircraft. | B6 |
| 04/13/94 | 12:38 | Task Force Coordinator Arlene Render informs that according to Laura Shestack at the USUN the Germans has been | |

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| | | evacuated from the mountains by the Belgians and USDAO Bonn confirms this report. |
| 04/13/94 | 15:00 | Task Force Coordinator Ambassador Arlene Render called a meeting, along with DAS Pru Bushnell, and Ambassador Flatten to discuss the issues at hand. |
| 04/13/94 | 15:33 | Log per - TF Deputy Coordinator Oliver Griffith: Belgian Embassy officer told Task Force that the GOB evacuation was proceeding well, with approximately 80 civilians left to evacuate, not all of whom are Belgian. The RPF is moving south of Kigali to surround the city and the airport. The Belgians have been negotiating with the RPF and have been given 60 hours to finish the evacuation. The government forces are in disarray. The French are departing, but 50 French soldiers will remain with the Belgians until the evacuation has been completed. |
| 04/13/94 | 16:00 | TF called by US contact with RPF who passed on following RPF is preoccupied with the slaughter in Kigali in concern at the minimal level of western denunciation and is feeling isolated in the absence of western countries response to the killings (most of which in the RPF's view have occurred at Hutu's Hand). RPF is concerned with the issue of war crimes. They concern the President guard the responsible party for many if not most of the killings, but understand that if the RPF moves into a position of military/political domant in Rwanda, they would be the wrong party to exact punishment against the PG--which would be construed as quid pro quo retribushion. RPF also concern with the possibility that Rwanda Govt assets located outside the country may be drawn down by current/prior Govt officials. |
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| 04/13/94 | 18:26 | The New York Times Washington bureau informed PA that journakists from the Times, Washington Post, Newsweek, and National Public Radio (3/4 of whom are Americans) arrived in Kigali following the U.S. evacuation and wished to be evacuated by the Belgians. They are at the Mille Collines Hotel. Task Force informed Embassy Brussels and USUN and |

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| | | rewquested that they contact the Belgians and UNAMIR to extract the journalists. (PA telecon and Belgian Embassy Wash) |
| 04/13/94 | 18:45 | Rwanda Deskoff attempted to call UNAMIR Kigali via UN OPS Center concerning journalists. Could not get through. |
| 04/13/94 | 18:50 | Rwanda DeskOff called USUN (Mike Steen?) and conveyed information about journalists and asked USUN to assist. Notified him that NIACT cable would follow. |
| 04/14/94 | 04:10 | <p>Telecon between Sonja Rix and Mr. [REDACTED] NY Times International Desk. [REDACTED] reported that a stringer in Brussels had spoken with the Belgian operations Center at midnight our time and had been assured that the Belgian troops on the ground at the Kigali airport had been instructed to make another attempt to evacuate the journalists at Mille Colline.</p> <p>The Belgian troops had planned to arrange a convoy to Kigali to bring out the journalists at "first good light".</p> <p>[REDACTED] spoke with [REDACTED] at the Milles Collines hotel at 3:00 a.m. our time and she indicated that although dawn was breaking they had not had any contact from the Belgian troops. [REDACTED] speculated that delays would be encountered at roadblocks.</p> <p>[REDACTED] reported that not all of the journalists were at the hotel yesterday when the Belgian troops came to evacuate them. [REDACTED] and some 5 other journalists returned to the hotel to discover the Belgian troops had come and gone.</p> <p>[REDACTED] also indicated that there are still 1 of 2 journalists that do not want to be evacuated from Milles Collines.</p> <p>[REDACTED] Hotel Milles Collines 011-250-76-530 ROOM 310</p> |
| 04/14/94 | 04:30 | Spoke with Sgt [REDACTED] joint analysis in Mulls worth United Kingdom. wanted status of Americans in Bujumbura gave summary of info memo to S on subject. |
| 04/14/94 | 05:30 | Telecon between Amb. Flaten and Jeannette Dubrow. The Belgian cabinet met today and expressed appreciation for US support in the the UNSC discussions yesterday, and |

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| | | requested continuing U.S. support for an "Angolan solution" in Rwanda. |
| 04/14/94 | 05:59 | At 510 Task Force received call from Canadian RWG Jan Meadows. As far as Canadians go, 265 are out of Rwanda and 20 remain. Reports tht UNAMIR Belgians are in control at the airport per a conversation she just had with UNAMIR. She asked for status of AMCITS in Bujumbura and was told that the 107 still there are leaving via commerical air. Meadows stated that the Canadians have some flights going out and that Americans are always welcome on their planes. |
| 04/14/94 | 06:00 | Telecon between Amb. Flaten and Gen. Dellaine. UNAMIR commander has received a commitment from the RPF for a 24-hour extension to permit evacuation of expatriates. Efforts continue to bring the parties together, but a meeting yesterday was cancelled following a press leak. |
| 04/14/94 | 06:30 | Telecon between McCulley and Emb. Brussels (Judy Johnson) Belgium Operations Center as of 9:30 still too dangerous. Four mortars hit airport, it is a bit calmer now. Belguims are pressing hard for resolution of the UNAMIR issue. They would like an "Angola solution". This means pulling out all of the troops now but securing a committment for a UN involvement in Rwanda. |
| 04/14/94 | 06:50 | Telecon between Sonja Rix and Mr. [REDACTED] NYT Internat'l B6 He spoke with the journalists at 5 am our time. The situation at that time was deteriorating rapidly. The Rwandan Army was at the bottom of the hill, being "pounded" by the rebel forces. The Army was backing up th hill and rounds were hitting the hotel. A UN Person (Congolese) was on the radio at the hotel Mille Collines trying to convince the UN HQ at the Meridian Hotel to send an Armored Personnel Carrier to pick up those at Mille Collines. There was too much fighting between the two hotels. The journalists were concerned about the noon deadline for all foreigners to depart Kigali, and since the Belgians had not arrived at the hotel they were considering leaving the hotel. The road to the airport appeared to be open, while the roads to the ICRC hospital and the Meridian were blocked. [REDACTED] confirmed through his contacts that the journalists are part of the |

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Belgian evacuation plan. The journalists should be advised to stay at the hotel and stop using the phone since the Belgians are having trouble reaching them via phone.

[redacted] is concerned that the journalists may have left the hotel, but he cannot confirm this. He has been unable to re-establish communications with the hotel. He has contacts working through the UN and the Ops Ctr in Brussels to do all they can to contact the journalists and facilitate their evacuation. (Telephone # for [redacted])

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04/14/94 07:20 Telecon between McCulley and Embassy Brussels. Belgians report Armond convoy on its way, heavy resistance, but will get to hotel. Tell AMCITS to stay put, assemble together establish contact with [redacted] A Belgian citizen [redacted]

04/14/94 07:28 Telecon with Judy Johnson (Pol Ofr) Belgium Foreign Ministry just announced news conference that Belgian will withdraw UNAMIR regardless of decision made at UNSC.

04/14/94 07:37 Jeannette Debrow Emb Belgium called to informed that the a joint Belgium UNAMIR force attempted to rescue journalist in hotel. Failed due to heavy fighting. Will try again. Telecon between DS Ed Webb and Debrow.

04/14/94 07:44 Amb. Flaten telecon with Max Robinson
Informed Max Robinson for the Secretary at 7:15 that the Belgians were on their way to hotel
informed him again at 7:40 that they had to turn back but they will try again.

04/14/94 07:50 Telecon between Sonya Rix (AF/EX) and [redacted]
Journalist [redacted] and others never left hotel. Small arms firm very close. No option to go out. [redacted] told them to stay at hotel off phone. [redacted] will try to call every 30 minutes. Hotel filled with Rwandians calling everywhere. Unaware of Belgian woman. UN Rep not there (room 33) will try to contact Belgian woman and get with her and [redacted] to wait for Belgians to come to hotel. Advised [redacted] to keep an open line when he hears from [redacted]

04/14/94 07:55 Telecon with Joe Synder IO/UNP Chris Park.
He called with an update on Security Council action.

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In informals on 4/13 the SC discussed the NAM draft calling for expansion of mandate and staffing. US reiterated view that it was to early for a resolution. At PK core group meeting yesterday principals agreed to present draft resolution calling for complete withdrawal of UNAMIR and UNOMOR. Draft text is circulating for clearance.

04/14/94 08:29 Director Amb. Flaten briefs Shift #2 on events which had occurred during Shift #1. Coordinator for Shift #2 - Amb. Render. The issues for today:
* Tracking the 12 journalist stranded in Kigali
* Following the Belgians actions on the ground
* Following the issues at the UN concerning UNAMIR

04/14/94 08:42 [redacted] (the NY Times) reported to Dep. B6
Coord. Terry McCully that the journalist have made contact with Belgian [redacted] They are now in a hotel lobby in Kigali. He also reports that the UN Cmdr. has arrived.

04/14/94 09:03 Coordinator Amb. Render briefed Asst. Sec. Moose per sitreps He questioned how the WG was going to deal with Burundi. Amb. Render advised him of proposed tasks for the day which included Burundi.

04/14/94 09:40 EUR Rep. Spoke with Embassy Brussels which said that Belgian forces could not get to the American Journalist. Suggested we call the NY Times and advised them to have the Journalist contact UNAMIR because there was an UNAMIR barrack closer to the hotel and maybe someone from there could be dispatched from there to pick them up.

04/14/94 09:45 EUR Rep. Talked to NY Times foreign desk which said that the journalists had spoken with Dellaire and that an UNAMIR APC had been sent to the hotel and was picking them up at this moment. They were leaving the hotel with UNAMIR to try to go to the airport.

04/14/94 10:44 DS Rep. talked to the RSO in Bujumbura and he said that everything is normal and calm in the city. A police contact told him that the country side was also quiet. RSO reported that the Bujumbura security council convened at 3:00 local to discuss refugees and the funeral arrangements for the

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| | | President on the 16th of April. He also reported post had under two hours of classified material for destruction. |
| 04/14/94 | 11:20 | Deputy Coordinator Ray McGrath informed that Judy Johnson called from Embassy Brussels to report that UNAMIR reached the journalists and transported them safely to Kagali airport. The airport remains unsafe for departure. The Belgians are expected to make a decision very soon to complete withdrawal. They are trying to round up their remaining citizens in country. The Belgian forces may proceed to Nairobi and stay there and watch events in the region. According to Embassy Brussels the Belgian woman woman with the five children is still at the Milles Collines hotel. |
| 04/14/94 | 11:55 | Marsha von Duerckheim called from Embassy Nairobi and requested that she be informed when we hear that the journalist have left kigali. If estimate time of arrival is provided, Embassy Nairobi will meet and assist at the airport. |
| 04/14/94 | 11:58 | The Belgian Government asked Embassy Brussels to provide statistics available on all expatriates in Burundi. The information would be used in contingency planning for a possible evacuation. The Belgian government informs that when their personnel are pulle out of Rwanda they will proceed only to Nairobi where they will watch for problems this weekend related to the anticipated funeral of the Burundian President. |
| 04/14/94 | 12:08 | Briefed Under Secretary Tarnoff's office on status of Journalists. |
| 04/14/94 | 13:08 | Burundi deskoff spoke to [redacted] of Africa Watch at 1245 and learned the following: Alphonse Nkubitoa human rts activist for ARDHO in Rwanda arrived (yesterday or today?) in Bujumbura from Kigali on a French plane carrying 187 passengers. The majority are people from the former Rwandan government (Nkubito was a procureur general but is really an opposition figure, not a govt. stalwart) The Burundi govt. has refused to admit the group and they are now in the hands of UNHCR at the airport. The apparent intention is to send the entire group to Bukavu in Zaire (although the French say |

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| | | some may be sent to Cameroon). [] fears Nkubito would be killed in Zaire, either by another Rwandan in the group or by a Zairois because of the close Mobutu/Habyarimana relationship. [] Deskoff passed this information via phone to Embassy Buj and asked them to convey this concern to the UNHCR rep on the ground. Task Force will also try to call the rep directly and will send front channel cable to Buj on the case. B6 |
| 04/14/94 | 13:53 | 1350 DAO Brussels is seeking further info on the 6 or 7 journalists evacuated from the Kigali hotel. The Belgian joint staff is checking to see if they remain at Kigali airport or have departed for Nairobi. They will also get a list of names. DAO Brussels will call us with this information as soon as it is received. Brussels does not know whether the airport is open at present. |
| 04/14/94 | 14:20 | CA rep called ConGen Nairobi, Marsha VonDuerckheim, who confirmed that they were expecting a flight carrying the expat journalists to arrive from Kigali tonight 4/14. She could not confirm whether the flight had taken off from Kigali. A military officer from Embassy Nairobi is waiting at the Nairobi airport. VonDuerckheim believes that all 7 Amcit journalists are aboard the flight, based on her conversations earlier in the day with the journalists. According to VonDuerckheim, the military officer, while waiting at the airport, convinced 3 other American NBC correspondents not to board a flight to Kigali. |
| 04/14/94 | 14:27 | The Belgian Embassy called, stating that they had received a call from NBC asking about 3 journalists who went in to Kigali this morning. Task Force informed them that as far as we know, the 3 journalists were dissuaded from going to Kigali and were still in Nairobi. |
| 04/14/94 | 16:00 | AmEmbassy Brussels reports that the GOB has informed the DAO that the 7 americian journalists were evacuated from Kigali aboard a Belgian aircraft. GOB could not confirm the time of departure from Kigali but indicated that the flight should of arrived in Nairobi during the past hour. |
| 04/14/94 | 16:16 | WG re-established open line with AmEmbassy Bujumbura. Travel information on Consular Ofcr L. Lane was provided and |

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follows: 15 April 1994 Departs London on United FLt 921 at 11:55am Arrives Washington at 14:50pm. Arrival airport was not known.

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Task Force contacted AmEmbassy Nairobi Consul General. CG informed that a number of Belgian planes had arrived during the evening in Nairobi, and the journalist were reported to have been aboard one of the flights. Embassy DAO is at the airport and is trying to contact the journalists.

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AmEmbassy Bujumbura advised that 20 USG dependents have departed post at 23:23 (local time) on flt. #453 AirFrance. It is scheduled to arrive in Paris at 11:15 (local time). WG advised AmEmbassy Buj. to info AmEmbassy Paris. WG will also call Paris to give them flt. information. At his time Buj does not know at which airport this flt will arrive since it is a special flt. arranged through AirFrance.

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Dep. Coord. Geeta Pasi contacted AmEmbassy Paris to inform them of AirFrance flt. She was advised by AmEmbassy Buj. that the flt would be stopping in Djibouti and Lyon before arriving in Paris. Paris will arrange to meet and assist. Geeta Pasi advised Consular Duty Ofcr Pat Bellamy as well as Admin Duty Ofcr Sandy Crumpton of the flt. She advised them that Buj had informed her that [redacted] has [redacted] might require special asst. Admin Duty Ofcr. promised to check with AirFrance early tomomorrow regarding the arrival airport. Since this was not a regularly scheduled flight Buj did not have this info on hand.

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AT 19:30, Dep. Coord. spoke with [redacted] of Africa Watch. According to [redacted] contacts, the Belgian Government has offered Nkubito political asylum/refuge. TF left instructions for Shift #1 to verify this report with the AmEmbassy Brussels. [redacted] said that aprox. 300 Rwandans (mostly families of the Rwandan military) are trapped at the Hotel Mille Collines. In addition to several HR activists, the group includes a number of children. [redacted] claimed that AmCit [redacted] [redacted] are included in the group. When asked by the Deputy Coordinator whether the children were American citizens, [redacted] responded that they "were probab

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| | | ly Hutu." [] noted that the group felt particularly exposed since the departure of the foreign journalists earlier in the day. B6 |
| 04/15/94 | 05:05 | ACTION ITEM The coordinator spoke by phone with amembasy brussels. Belgium government wants to know how many amcits and how many ex-patriots are in burundi. |
| 04/15/94 | 05:10 | Deputy coordinator spoke with consualr officer in nairobi, who confirmed these safe arrival last night in nairobi of the seven amcit journalist evacuated from kigali. The journalist most of whom live in nairobi have returned to their homes. consular section has contact information. The journalists described the situation in kigali as grim and gory.. |
| 04/15/94 | 05:27 | Telcon from the amembassy belgium: Belgian metropolitan paratroopers have moved two companies from kigali to nairobi and they say if all goes well they hope to complete the pull-out of belgian home based troops by 2pm brussels time (that is non-UNIMIR troops). They also report that straglers are still coming in to help. |
| 04/15/94 | 06:05 | Coordinator spoke with Charge Lenoard Lange at Embassy Bujumbura. He reported that all was calm in Burundi overnight. He also said that the government of Belgium has granted asylum to Rawanda Human Rights Activist Alphonse Nkubito. Embassy Bujumbura is preparing an updated count of amcits and ex-patriots which they will send in by cable. |
| 04/15/94 | 07:23 | Jeanette Dubrow from Embassy Brussels phoned Task Force. Informed Coordinator that there is a report on Flemish T.V. that UNAMIR forces at Kagali airport are coming under fire from both forces of both sides. |
| 04/15/94 | 08:00 | Shift I assumes TF responsibilities and began by briefing Coordinator Arlene Render on events of prior shifts since her departure on 4/14. |
| 04/15/94 | 08:50 | S/S-O Glenn Davies gave a tour of TF1 to the Ambassadors going to posts. |
| 04/15/94 | 09:05 | Judy Johnson, Embassy Brussels reports that the Minister of Foreign Affairs has confirmed that they have instructed |

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their Embassy in Bujumbura to intervene with the Government of Burundi to have Human Rights Activist Alphonse Nkubito sent to Brussels rather than to Bukauri, Zaire. It is possible that he would be in danger in Zaire. There is no confirmation that he is on his way to Brussels.
(TFRW01/Brussels phone/con)

04/15/94 09:36

In a telecon at 0855, U/S Tarnoff advised Belgian FM Claes that USG supports Belgian position in UNSC for the orderly withdrawal of UNAMIR. FM Claes stated that the Belgian contingent in UNAMIR will withdraw this weekend even if the UN does not withdraw the full force. He believes that the airport will become unusable for evacuations within days if not within hours.

04/15/94 10:43

Laurie Shestack in USUN called and reported that the UN reports the RPF is taking strategic points but has not taken the whole city. It's moving slowly to avoid spreading panic. There is no shooting around the airport. The govt forces have not put up much resistance. Belgian bilateral troops are leaving and Belgian UNAMIR contingent should be out within 72 hours. The humanitarian situation is terrible UNAMIR is trying to assist the humanitarian organizations. There is no food or water at the refugee centers and no way to get supplies to them. WFP has food depots but they have left the country. UNAMIR does not know where the food is to gain access. There is a Rwandan government in exile in Zaire.

04/15/94 10:57

AF/RA Tony Marley called from Addis to report that Mazimaka from the RPF will arrive in Addis on Sunday to see SYG Salim. The OAU plans to keep up the pressure, in line with their press statement (faxed to AF/RA). The strong statement apparently calls for starting up the Arusha process again. The OAU asked whether some of the \$1.5 million is ESF money could be used to help pay for the renewed talks. (Tony will check with AF/RA). The talks might be held in Addis rather than Arusha given the GOT's financial constraints. However, TZ would continue to be the Facilitator and it would be called the Arusha talks. On Burundi, Marley reported that the OAU plans to go forward with the 47-man deployment. There are 9 OAU civilian observers and 6 military already there. The tickets for the other 41 military officers have been sent.

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| | | t to the contributing countries and the officers from Niger are expected to arrive on Tuesday. | |
| 04/15/94 | 11:25 | Tony Dalsimer, Embassy Paris, called to advise that evacuees listed Bujumbura 1297 had departed Paris on TWA 895. Two those listed in Reftel [REDACTED] are remaining in Paris. [REDACTED] is continuing on to Calif. Others will remain in Wash. area. Information was provided to Linda Olsen, M/FLO, who is meeting today's flight. | B6 |
| 04/15/94 | 11:45 | Kurt Fuller AID ADO evacuated from Kigali. Stopped at OP Center TF 1 and provided information he had received from [REDACTED] receiving a phone call from [REDACTED] in Kigali who phoned the foundation earlier today to report that the situatuion in Kigali had turned for the worst. The RPF he said controled 3/4 of the city and has begun a systemic killing of Hutus house to house. | B6 |
| 04/15/94 | 11:57 | ACTION ITEM -- JCS LtCdr [REDACTED] called at 11:30 to relay EUCOM request to send a EUCOM security Assessment Team (ESAT) to Bujumbura to do "prudent planning" in case a need for a NEO develops. EUCOM states that they have spoken with CHG Lange and have received his concurrence. It would be a 5-member team presently in Nairobi. They hope to travel to Buj within 24 hours. O'Brien stated that verbal concurrence with TF would be sufficient. D/Coord believes however that since Buj is under ordered departure, authorization by M to exceed ceiling on essential personnel will be required. AF/EX and DS are being notified of request. | B6 |
| 04/15/94 | 13:30 | RSO Bujumbura was contacted by DS/OP/AF. - RSO reports that all is still quiet. - RSO is aware, and post approves, of Regional Survey Team (RST) coming to post. Post is waiting for Department approval. - FYI: RST, 5 man team, is waiting in Nairobi and could be in Bujumbura within 24-48 hrs. | |
| 04/15/94 | 13:40 | tel/con: TFRW01 Deputy Coordinator Chris Riche with Charge Lange, Bujumbura: | |

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Deputy Coordinator spoke to Charge Leonard Lange in Bujumbura on the open line. Charge confirmed that he had spoken with Commander Deke Childress at EUCOM (ref. 04/15/94), 11:57:59 JSC Lt. Cdr. [redacted] Phonecon) regarding a brief visit of a security assistance team from Nairobi to Bujumbura. Charge Lange confirmed that he approves of the proposed visit. He said that his people report that Burundi is calm and that the situation is as reported in Bujumbura 1328 - Sitrep #5. He does not anticipate any problems at tomorrow's Presidential funeral.

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[redacted]
She spoke with him today and he reports that the RPF has killed "1000's" in that sector. He is a Hutu and has Tutsis hiding in his compound.

04/15/94 14:40

Belgian Desk Officer:EBrocking was contacted and is acting on Brussels 4283 which suggests that the Secretary extend condolence to the Government of Belgian (GOB) on the loss of Belgian lives in Rwanda and express appreciation to the GOB for its help in evacuating Americans (over 30 to date) and providing a suggested draft message from the Secretary to Belgian Foreign Minister Willy Claes.

04/15/94 15:58

ACTION ITEM
TF Coordinator Render said that she had received verbal permission from U/S Moose (M) for the EUCOM Security Assessment Team standing by in Nairobi to go into Bujumbura. Required paperwork is being prepared and will follow.

04/15/94 16:00

Shift Change --- Jacquelyn O. Briggs, Coordination.

04/15/94 16:05

Mary Grandfield reports that she has spoken to DS regarding protection arrangements for Rwandan diplomatic missions. DS protection officers in Wash and in NY will meet with Rwandan missions to assess the threat situation and decide appropriate measures. In the event of problems over the weekend, contact the DS TF rep or call the DS command center [redacted] and ask for [redacted]

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Dep Coordinator followed up with John Beaudry of DS regarding protection of Rwandan missions in the US.

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The following memo was read: For your information,

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04/15/94 17:00

Beaudry (DS) called Dep Coordinator to confirm that police forces in Denver, Chicago, Dallas, NY, and Wash, DC have been advised by DS to upgrade protection of missions and honorary consuls. The police forces will offer "better protection" which includes "more drive-bys". The police and DC have not been sucessful in contacting each of the honorary consuls directly. The police have the honorary consuls' addresses and will continue to try to contact them.

04/15/94 19:00

Coordinator phoned Embassy Bujumbura to inform them that the Rwanda Task Force was official disbanding.

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