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-- THERE IS AN IMMEDIATE NEED TO STOP DOWNGRADING TS TO ( ) S OR ( ) C  
RWANDA AND THIS MUST BE OUR FIRST PRIORITY.

-- FOR THIS REASON, WE SUPPORT THE FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR A MULTINATIONAL FORCE TO INTERVENE NOW, UNDER UN AUSPICES, AND "BRIDGE" THE GAP UNTIL THE REGULAR UNAMIR CONTINGENTS CAN ARRIVE. WE CONGRATULATE THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT ON THIS HUMANITARIAN INITIATIVE.

-- WE WANT THE MISSION TO HAVE THE SANCTION OF THE UN AND TO BE FULLY COORDINATED WITH UNAMIR.

-- WE ARE AWARE OF THE RPF'S CONCERNS OVER FRENCH INTERVENTION. HOWEVER, THIS IS A MULTILATERAL EFFORT AND THE PURPOSE IS TO PROTECT CIVILIANS AND SAVE LIVES, NOT TO INTERVENE IN THE FIGHTING BETWEEN GOVERNMENT FORCES AND THE RPF OR TO SUPPORT THE GOVERNMENT OR ITS FORCES.

-- WE ARE ENCOURAGED THAT OTHER COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY AFRICAN MAY JOIN THIS FRENCH EFFORT.

-- IN THE MEANTIME, WE ARE WORKING WITH THE UN TO ACCELERATE DEPLOYMENT OF EXPANDED UNAMIR. WE HAVE COMPLETED A LEASE WITH THE UN FOR 50 ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS (APC'S) AND HOPE TO START DELIVERY VERY SOON.

-- WE ARE WORKING ON OTHER EQUIPMENT REQUESTS NOW AND ARE WILLING TO PROVIDE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT AS WELL.

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