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BRIEFING MEMORANDUM

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

TO: Ambassador Albright
THRU: Ambassador Walker
FROM: POL - Robert T. Grey
SUBJECT: Your meeting with Dr. Rudasingwa, RPF rep, August 24, 11 am, as President of the Security Council

SUMMARY:

Rwanda Patriotic Front representative Dr. Rudasingwa (RUDE-UH-SING-WA) requested a meeting with the President of the Council. Laurie Shestack will accompany.

BACKGROUND:

- o The Rwandan rebels (RPF) and the Rwandan government (GOR) signed a peace agreement in Arusha, Tanzania a few weeks ago.
 - The peace process hinges on the establishment of a UN-led Neutral International Force (NIF).
- o The UN sent a reconnaissance mission to Rwanda to study exactly what kind/size force will be needed. They have not yet returned.
- o Upon their return the Council will consider the SYG's report and adopt a resolution establishing the NIF.
 - There is an OAU-led Neutral Monitoring and Observer Group (NMOG) in Rwanda now. Its fate has not been determined, but the OAU wants to get out of the operation.
- o Washington has still not decided how big a force they will endorse.
- o We expect the Secretariat may come out with a short, factual report within the next few days describing the peace accord and the talks leading up to it.

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POINTS TO BE MADE:

- What does the RPF envision as the appropriate size and scope of a Neutral International Force?
- What does the RPF think should be done with the existing and expanded NMOG (EN-MOG) forces?
- How many troops do you expect to send to Kigali (KEY-GAH-LEE) as security for your members of the transition government?
- Based on past experience with the deployment of UN peacekeeping operations, the timetable agreed to in Arusha may not be feasible.

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