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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Ambassador Albright
THRU: Ambassador Walker
FROM: POL - Robert T. Grey
SUBJECT: Security Council Informals on Rwanda, Wednesday, April 20, 3:30 pm

We have no up-dated instructions from Washington on what they want the Council to do. Washington still favors pulling UNAMIR out, but leaving a small political presence to help in negotiations, if feasible.

The SYG was supposed to give his recommendations to the Council by noon today. He was given a piece of paper to clear last night, and still has not finalized it to give to the translators. We hope his views will be available for the 3:30 meeting today.

On the ground, fighting continues. No more shells have been lobbed at UNAMIR HQ. The Belgians are all gone, and the Ghanans hold the airport. However, the government's forces want to control the airport, and that may cause trouble. DPKO denied this morning's radio broadcasts that Bangladeshis have been withdrawn to Nairobi, when asked about it by Shestack.

Nigerian DPR Ayewah told Shestack that they would never approve of the Council directing UNAMIR to withdraw.

could not understand how the West could contemplate reinforcing UNPROFOR and withdrawing UNAMIR at the same time. You can expect to hear similar comments in this afternoon informals.

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