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SUBJECT: AUTHORIZED DEPARTURE

- REF: A) AMBASSADOR FLATEN - DAS HOUDEK TELCON OF
FEB. 15, 17:15Z HRS;
B) KIGALI 575 (NOTAL);
C) KIGALI 540 (NOTAL);
D) KIGALI 53B (NOTAL);
E) KIGALI 527 (NOTAL);
F) KIGALI 526 (NOTAL);
G) KIGALI 525 (NOTAL);
H) KIGALI 503 (NOTAL);
I) KIGALI 472 (NOTAL);
J) KIGALI 462 (NOTAL);

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2. SUMMARY AND REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZED DEPARTURE:
AMBASSADOR RECOMMENDS DEPT. AUTHORIZE VOLUNTARY
DEPARTURE FOR DEPENDENTS AND NON-ESSENTIAL
PERSONNEL. THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT (RPF)
ATTACKED ACROSS A WIDE FRONT IN THE NORTH OF THE
COUNTRY, AND HAS CONTINUED ITS OFFENSIVE FOR MORE
THAN A WEEK. THE RPF HAS APPROACHED TO WITHIN 40 KMS
OF KIGALI. THERE IS ALSO A SERIOUS DETERIORATION IN
LAW AND ORDER. THE USG HAS NO OVERRIDING NATIONAL
INTERESTS WHICH WOULD BE JEOPARDIZED BY THE DEPARTURE
OF DEPENDENTS AND NON-ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL. END
SUMMARY.

REVIEW OF SITUATION

3. HEAVY FIGHTING BROKE OUT IN THE NORTH OF THE
COUNTRY ON FEB. 8, WHEN THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT
(RPF) ATTACKED SEVERAL LOCATIONS ALONG THE
RWANDA-UGANDA BORDER, BREAKING A CEASEFIRE WHICH HAD
BEEN IN EFFECT SINCE AUG. 1, 1992. COMBAT HAS RAGED
ACROSS A WIDE FRONT IN RUHENGERI AND BYUMBA

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PRBFECTURES, WITH THE RPF APPROACHING TO WITHIN 40
KMS OF KIGALI. GOR FORCES ARE SERIOUSLY STRETCHED,
AND MAY BE INCAPABLE OF STOPPING A CONCERTED ADVANCE
ON KIGALI. THE ETHNIC NATURE OF THE CONFLICT MAY
RESULT IN ADDITIONAL VIOLENCE AND KILLINGS THROUGHOUT
THE COUNTRY. EMBASSY'S EMERGENCY ACTION COMMITTEE HAS
MET EVERY DAY SINCE FEB. 8 TO REVIEW THE SITUATION.
ONE USG EMPLOYEE IS CURRENTLY ABSENT FROM POST ON TDY
IN NAIROBI; ANOTHER, WITH THREE DEPENDENTS, IS ABSENT

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ON LEAVE IN EUROPE.

RECOMMENDATION

4. AMBASSADOR RECOMMENDS THAT DEPT. AUTHORIZE
DEPARTURE FOR U.S. DEPENDENTS AND NON-ESSENTIAL
PERSONNEL ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS. THE PROXIMITY OF
COMBAT TO KIGALI, THE GOR'S APPARENT INABILITY TO
CONTAIN THE FIGHTING, THE POSSIBILITY OF AN OUTBREAK
OF ETHNIC VIOLENCE AND KILLINGS, AND THE
DETERIORATION OF LAW AND ORDER THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY

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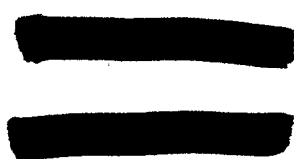
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COULD PLACE DEPENDENTS AND EMPLOYEES IN IMMINENT DANGER. THE USG HAS NO OVERRIDING INTERESTS WHICH WOULD BE JEOPARDIZED BY THE DEPARTURE OF NON-ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL AND DEPENDENTS.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

5. OPTIONS: THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL (DRAWN DIRECTLY FROM POST'S UPDATED F77 REPORT, REF E) MAY BE EXPECTED TO SEEK AUTHORIZED DEPARTURE:



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PREFECTURE KG GS BT CY GT KY GK RH BY KB TOTAL
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Table with 11 columns: Category, KG, GS, BT, CY, GT, KY, GK, RH, BY, KB, TOTAL. Rows include categories like 1A. USGPER-STATE, 1B. USGPER-USIA, etc.

(NOTE: THERE ARE 32 PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS IN RWANDA, ALL OF WHOM ARE NOW IN KIGALI. PEACE CORPS IS WORKING TO DETERMINE WHAT OPTIONS MAY BE AVAILABLE TO THESE VOLUNTEERS. END NOTE.)

-- ANTICIPATED PERIOD OF AUTHORIZED DEPARTURE: 45 DAYS

-- RECOMMENDATIONS ON STANDARD SAFEHAVEN POLICY: NONE.

-- CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH COULD DICTATE A DECISION FOR ORDERED DEPARTURE/EVACUATION: EVIDENCE THAT KIGALI ITSELF HAS COME UNDER FIRE, THAT THE RPF MAY BE ENTERING THE CITY, AND/OR THAT FULL-SCALE CIVIL WAR IS

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-- TRAVEL ADVISORY: RECOMMEND DEPT. IMMEDIATELY ISSUE
A TRAVEL WARNING ADVISING ALL TRAVEL TO RWANDA BE
CURTAILED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, PER REF F.
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