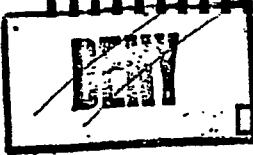


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2. SUMMARY: IN AN AUGUST 23 MEETING AT THE QUAI, A/S FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS GEORGE MOOSE DISCUSSED THE POLITICAL AND HUMANITARIAN SITUATION IN RWANDA AND ITS IMPACT ON NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES.

IN A TWO-HOUR MEETING AUGUST 23, A/S FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS GEORGE MOOSE DISCUSSED RWANDA AND REGIONAL ISSUES WITH QUAI DIRECTOR FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS DE LA SABLIERE. DE LA SABLIERE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY QUAI OFFICE DIRECTOR FOR EAST AND CENTRAL AFRICA CATHERINE BOIVINEAU; DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS YANNICK GERARD; UN DESK OFFICER LAURENCE RIST; AND COUNSELOR MARC PLUM OF THE HUMANITARIAN ACTION MINISTRY.

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4. A/S MOOSE CONVEYED U.S. CONCERNS ABOUT THE RWANDA REGION, A SITUATION HE NOTED HAS BECOME MORE DIFFICULT IN THE TWO WEEKS SINCE MOOSE LAST MET WITH THE FRENCH (REF). RWANDA CONTINUES TO FACE SEVERE DIFFICULTIES, INCLUDING THE ABSENCE OF DISCIPLINE WITHIN THE GOR'S MILITARY RANKS WHICH HAVE MORE THAN DOUBLED FROM THEIR APRIL LEVEL OF 15,000. THE GOR ALSO LACKS THE BASIC MEANS OF GOVERNANCE -- PERSONNEL, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND SUPPORT. A/S MOOSE SUGGESTED THAT THESE PRESSING ISSUES MAY BE ADDRESSED THROUGH INCREASED INTERNATIONAL (UNAMIR AND NGO) ASSISTANCE; ADDITIONAL FUNDING,

PARTICULARLY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORS; AND CONTINUED U.S. AND INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE ON THE GOR TO HONOR ITS COMMITMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

5. SECURITY PROBLEMS, PARTICULARLY OUTSIDE RWANDA IN EASTERN ZAIRE AND TANZANIA, ARE MORE INTRACTABLE AND DIFFICULT TO RESOLVE, SAID MOOSE. FOR EXAMPLE, AVAILABLE INFORMATION INDICATES THERE ARE UP TO 29,000

MEMBERS OF THE FORMER RWANDA MILITARY -- TEMPORARILY DEMOBILIZED -- IN THE CAMPS IN GOMA AND BUKAVU. THEIR PRESENCE IS AGGRAVATED BY THE CONTINUED ACTIVITY OF THE MILITIAS IN THE CAMPS. THE GOVERNMENTS OF NEIGHBORING STATES ARE WEAK AND SO FAR UNABLE TO DEAL WITH PROBLEMS SUCH AS DISARMING THE MILITIAS; TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THOSE ACCUSED OF MURDER AND DESTRUCTION IN RWANDA; AND RESTORING THE REFUGEES TO PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH. MOOSE ARGUED THAT THERE IS AT BEST A SMALL WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY IN WHICH TO ESTABLISH A REASONABLE BASE FOR ADDRESSING THESE PROBLEMS; TO DO SO WILL TAKE A COLLECTIVE EFFORT.

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8. A/S MOOSE, WHO ACKNOWLEDGED U.S. PLANS TO WITHDRAW ITS PERSONNEL, EXPLAINED THAT THE U.S. ENTERED RWANDA INITIALLY BECAUSE IT ALONE HAD THE MEANS TO PROVIDE MASSIVE ASSISTANCE QUICKLY. NOW, AS HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE AGENCIES SUCH AS THE UNHCR ARE RETURNING AND ASSUMING THE WORK, THE U.S. CAN REDUCE ITS PRESENCE. NOTWITHSTANDING, THE U.S. CONTINUES LIFE ASSISTANCE TO UHAMIH AND TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE IN CONSTRUCTING NEW REFUGEE CAMPS. MOOSE ASSURED THE GOR THE U.S. WILL REMAIN SENSITIVE TO POTENTIAL PROBLEMS IN SOUTHERN BURUNDI AND ELSEWHERE THAT MIGHT DELAY U.S. WITHDRAWAL. HOWEVER, THE U.S. HAS NOT AND WILL NOT BECOME INVOLVED IN QUESTIONS OF SECURITY IN THE CAMPS.

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NEED FOR GOR TO ENCOURAGE RECONCILIATION

MOOSE POINTED OUT THAT ZAIRE HAS NOT YET REQUESTED ASSISTANCE AND U.S. ATTEMPTS TO BRING MOROCCO INTO THE EQUATION HAVE FAILED. HE ALSO DREW ATTENTION TO THE DIFFICULTIES AN INTERNATIONAL AGENCY WOULD FACE IN SECURING THE CAMPS, PARTICULARLY SHOULD THEY BE ASKED TO DETAIN SUSPECTED RWANDAN CRIMINALS.

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9. MOOSE AGREED THAT THE GOR MUST CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS AT RECONCILIATION, BUT URGED THAT THE PROBLEMS FACING THE GOR SHOULD NOT BE UNDERESTIMATED.

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