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Ann Kellerman's August 2, 1994, Meetings

Rwanda:

1. Nan Borton is back from her trip to Rwanda with Perry and Oakley.

- The U.S. military has done well in setting up a logistics operation. Nan saw a substantial difference in 12 days, made by the military and NGO's.
- Perry thinks that in 7 days there will be sufficient water in the camps.
- While cholera deaths are declining, oral rehydration is still needed for the dysentery. "The corner has not yet been turned."
- No more technical teams should go to Rwanda without prearranged support: food, drink, places to sleep, transportation. While sanitation and water projects are needed, they should be addressed through the existing systems.
- Nan does not believe it is safe for refugees to return to Rwanda as former government troops and militia remain armed.
- Refugees are still entering Burundi and Tanzania.
- There was a disconnect between the US military (Perry) and UNHCR (Ogata) on the location of the air cell. Paula Lynch, Steve Ingalsbe, and a few others will focus on the problem.
- Distribution remains the weakest link in food aid.

2. The SW or French safe zone

- ICRC does not have a clear picture of what is occurring in the area. They reported they cannot account for 1 million people. While many may be dead, it is thought that most are hiding in the forests and will emerge in need of assistance. OFDA gave ICRC \$2 million for their work in the SW.
- Little food is getting in; people are being killed; looting continues
- Kate Farnsworth said the NGO's are concerned that when the French move out that UNAMIR will be unable to provide the security needed.

3. Burundi: More reports of inter-ethnic clashes, fighting over food. FFP had implmented a planned cutback on food, but also had to divert some for Goma. Rita Hudson will investigate as OFDA wants to dampen unrest.

4. Money: The 5 largest US PVO's gleaned only \$350 million for Rwanda, which is considered "peanuts". PVO's are worried that they will be unable to deal with Rwanda on their resources.

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5. Measles? - UNICEF needs automatic-destruct syringes for its measles campaign; more than 80% of kids were vaccinated before the war.

6. Next Meeting: 10:30 Wednesday (Ann)

Bosnia:

1. The airlift was due to restart today.
2. The British will install a bridge at Mostar.
3. As a result of WFP visits to ex-Yugo, and donor expressions of concern over unrealistic numbers, UNHCR is trying to better estimate its target populations. Food donations are being cut back.
4. The US has given over \$350 million this year in humanitarian assistance (this includes the full range of USG activities, e.g. airdrops, MRE's, food aid, DART, etc.

PDD 25 - Annex IV Humanitarian Working Group

1. The Working Group has hit two snags in its response to personnel issues. Details to the UN humanitarian agencies are almost impossible (except PHS' details to WHO and UNICEF) because of lack of funds, and of personnel. The other problem is providing a data bank, with names, of American personnel who can be drawn on in times of crisis. OFDA doesn't want to share its list as OFDA draws on those names for emergencies (although OFDA has given DHA names off the list in the past). I will talk with VITA to see if they can provide their list to DHA.
2. The Working Group will be late in providing a response to the NSC on Annex IV, which doesn't cause anyone heartburn as we have been waiting since last October for the paper Eric Schwartz was to edit.