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1. (S) SUMMARY: ASSISTANT SECRETARY COHEN MET WITH

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BELGIAN AMBASSADOR DEHENNIN ON OCTOBER 29 TO REVIEW THE
SITUATION IN RWANDA.

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2. (U) PARTICIPANTS:

AMBASSADOR DEHENNIN WAS ACCOMPANIED BY HIS EMBASSY'S
AFRICA WATCHER MARC VAN BELLINGHEN. DAS HICKS, AF/C
DIRECTOR PRINGLE, RWANDA DESKOFF NEARY AND BELGIUM DESKOFF
WAGNER ALSO SAT IN.

3. (U) BRUSSELS TALKS:

DEHENNIN OPENED BY NOTING THAT COHEN HAD HAD AN
OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH MFA SECRETARY GENERAL ROELANTS IN

BRUSSELS LAST WEEK (REFTEL). COHEN SAID THAT HE WAS
GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMPLIMENT BELGIUM ON THE
MEASURED RESPONSE TO THE INVASION. BELGIUM HAD MADE THE
RIGHT DECISIONS AND BEEN ABLE TO ENTER RWANDA WITHOUT

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INTERVENING IN THE LARGER PROBLEM.

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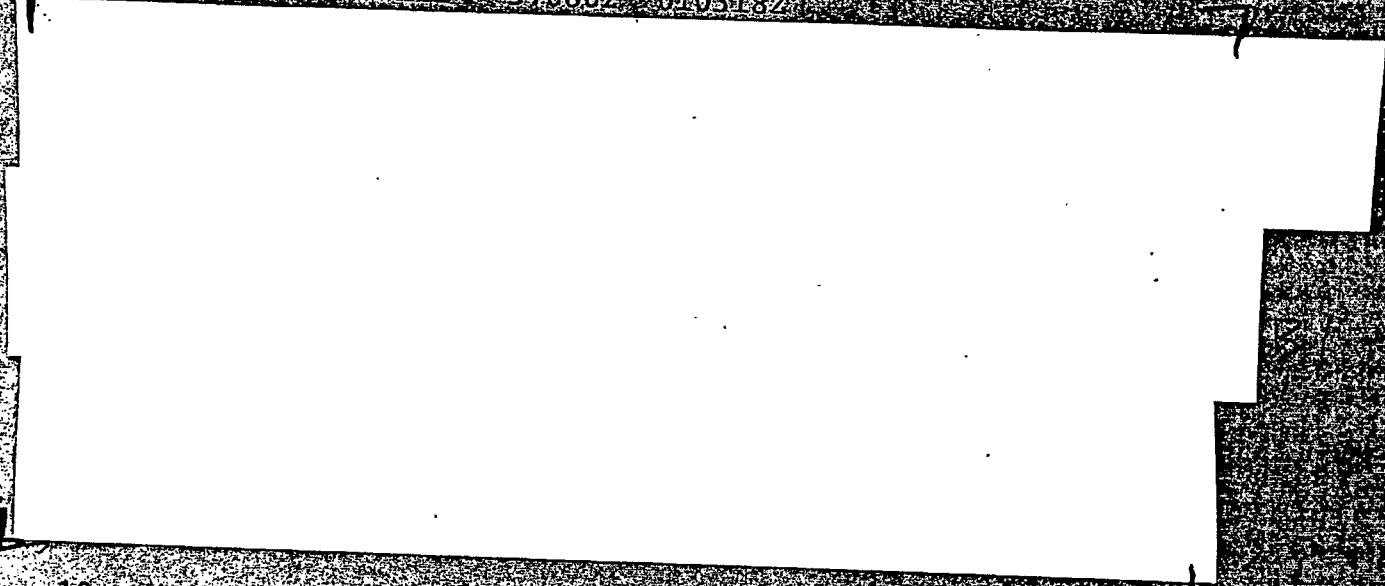
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10 (C) MOBUTU AS MEDIATOR, ZAIREAN DEVELOPMENTS

DEHENNIN AND COHEN AGREED THAT MOBUTU HAD AN IMPORTANT
ROLE TO PLAY. COHEN SAID THAT THIS CASE WAS DIFFERENT
FROM ANGOLA. IN RWANDA HE COULD BE USEFUL AS HE HAD BEEN
IN BURUNDI IN 1988.

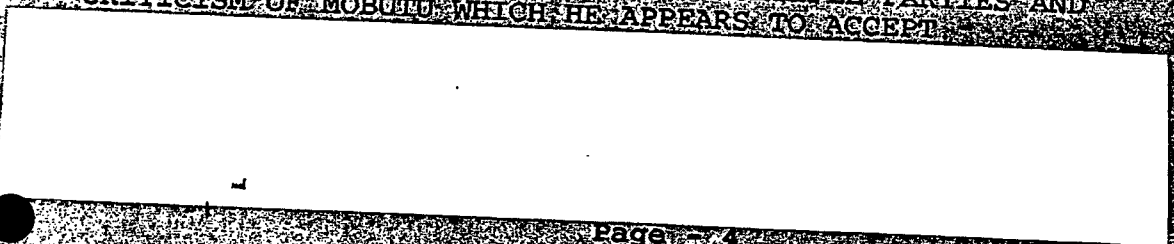


MOBUTU, COHEN SAID WAS HAVING DIFFICULTY
KEEPING UP WITH THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS AT HOME. THE
STATURE HE GETS FROM HOSTING THE CEPGL MEETINGS ON RWANDA

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IS POSITIVE. COHEN ADDED THAT TRENDS IN ZAIRE ARE
FAVORABLE; THERE IS A FREE PRESS, MULTIPLE PARTIES AND
CRITICISM OF MOBUTU WHICH HE APPEARS TO ACCEPT.



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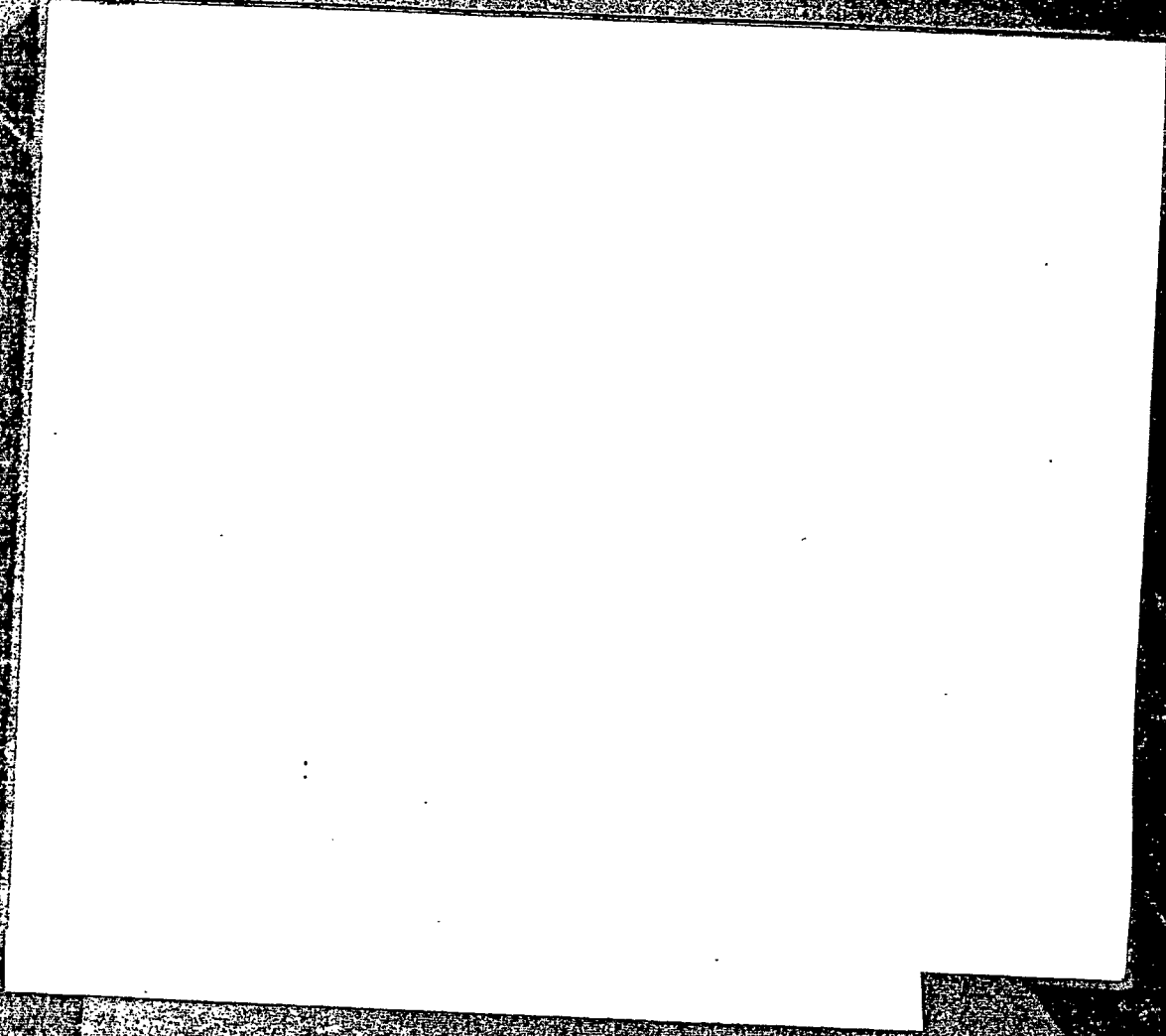
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