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- (U) THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
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(HRC) RAPPORTEUR ON SUMMARY EXECUTIONS, BAKARY WALI
NDIAYE, WILL VISIT RWANDA APRIL 8-17. THE RAPPORTEUR
ASKED PERMISSION TO VISIT AND WAS SUBSEQUENTLY
INVITED BY PRESIDENT HABYARIMANA. NDIAYE, A FORMER
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE IN SENEGAL, WILL BE ACCOMPANIED
BY TWO STAFF MEMBERS FROM THE UN CENTER FOR HUMAN
RIGHTS IN GENEVA, MRS. KAPPERER (AUSTRIAN) AND MR
JRANNET (SWISS).

- (LOU) UNDP CONTROL OFFICER FOR THE VISIT TOLD
DCM THAT THE HRC TEAM WILL FUNCTION COMPLETELY

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
REVIEW AUTHORITY: ARCHIE M BOLSTER
DATE/CASE ID: 29 JUL 2011 201005065

-- MEET WITH RWANDANS WHO TESTIFIED BEFORE AND SUPPORTED THE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION DURING ITS JANUARY INVESTIGATION;

-- MEET WITH THE GESENYI PROSECUTOR INVESTIGATING THE JANUARY MASSACRES;

-- COLLECT DATA IN THE RPF ZONE

-- MEET WITH RWANDAN HUMAN RIGHTS GROUPS, VISIT JAILS, TALK WITH JOURNALISTS, CALL ON DIPLOMATS.

3. (LOU) THE UNDP DEPUTY, ASKED THE PURPOSE OF THE RAPPORTEUR'S VISIT, SAID ONLY THAT HE HOPED TO GET A BALANCED PICTURE OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN RWANDA. THE AMBASSADOR IS SCHEDULED TO MEET THE TEAM APRIL 9.

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4. (LOU) MEANWHILE, THE GOVERNMENT'S OFFICIAL RESPONSE TO THE REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION IS STILL PENDING. THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS DISCUSSED THE DRAFT REPORT (REFTTEL) ALL DAY APRIL 2, WITH PRESIDENT HABYARIMANA IN THE CHAIR, AND AGAIN APRIL 6. SOURCES TOLD THE AMBASSADOR THAT THE MINISTERS ENGAGED IN A SERIOUS DEBATE, EVENTUALLY REJECTING THE DRAFT REPORT. ACCORDING TO ONE SOURCE, THE ISSUE BECAME NOT BLAME FOR WHAT ALL ACKNOWLEDGED HAD HAPPENED, BUT HOW TO ENSURE AGAINST REPETITION OF THE ABUSES. THE COUNCIL CHARGED THE PRESIDENCY AND THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE TO WORK TOGETHER TO REDRAFT THE REPORT TO REFLECT THE COUNCIL'S CONCERNS.

5. (LOU) COMMENT. UN INVOLVEMENT IN INVESTIGATING HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES IN RWANDA IS WELCOME. WE ARE SKEPTICAL THAT A ONE-WEEK VISIT WILL SUFFICE EITHER TO BALANCE OR COMPLETE THE WORK OF THE JANUARY INVESTIGATION.

6. (U) FOR GENEVA. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADVICE GENEVA MIGHT BE ABLE OFFER AS TO HOW EMBASSY/KIGALI

AND INTERESTED RWANDANES DECONTROLLED/UNCLASSIFIED
INTEREST AND INVOLVEMENT OF THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS
CENTER AND THE UNHRC IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN
RWANDA. FLATEN

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