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1. MAY 27-28 "LIBERATION" LOOKED AT THE ROOTS OF THE
CONFLICT BETWEEN THE FORMER ALLIES AND ANNOUNCED THAT
ETHIOPIA'S GOAL NOW IS NOTHING SHORT THAN THE RETURN OF

ERITREA UNDER ITS INFLUENCE. "LIBERATION" GOES AS FAR AS TO STATE "BEFORE THE MEREB OFFENSIVE, ETHIOPIA PLANNED A LIGHTENING-LIKE VICTORY TO HUMILIATE ITS ENEMY, WITH NO INTENTION TO GO AS FAR AS ASMARA...BUT NOW THE WAR BETWEEN THE COUSINS FINALLY REVEALS THE PERSONAL DIMENSION OF THE CONFLICT: TODAY, IT IS ERITREA'S HEAD OF STATE HIMSELF WHO IS TARGETED."

2. MAY 31 "LE FIGARO" CLAIMED THAT ADDIS ABABA "WANTS TOTAL REVENGE" AFTER THE MILITARY HUMILIATION IT SUFFERED FROM ERITREA IN 1998. "LE FIGARO" ATTRIBUTED ETHIOPIA'S MILITARY SUCCESS TO DRASTIC MILITARY OVERHAUL INITIATED BY PRIME MINISTER MELES ZENAWI TO FIGHT A NEIGHBOR THAT, ACCORDING TO EXPERTS, WAS MILITARILY SUPERIOR AT THE ONSET OF THE CONFLICT. "UNDER PUBLIC PRESSURE AND THE INFLUENCE OF POLITICAL FORCES THAT NEVER FORGOT THE 'LOSS' OF ERITREA AND WITH IT ACCESS TO THE SEA, PRIME MINISTER MELES ZENAWI LAUNCHED A MILITARY REORGANIZATION PROGRAM." ETHIOPIA WENT ON AN ARMS PURCHASE FRENZY, ENLISTED UP TO 400,000 MEN, AND SOLICITED THE EXPERTISE OF FORMER MARXIST GENERALS WHO SERVED UNDER MENGISTU AND WERE IN PRISON SINCE 1991.

SENEGAL

3. FOLLOWING UP WITH ABDOULAYE WADE'S VISIT, MAY 27-28 "LIBERATION" LOOKED AT HIS FUTURE PROJECTS FOR SENEGAL AND STATED THAT "DURING HIS THREE-DAY VISIT, THE SENEGALESE PRESIDENT ATTEMPTED TO ENTICE INVESTORS." "LIBERATION" REPORTED THAT FRANCE HAD AGREED TO SUBSIDIZE AN AMBITIOUS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM, "THE NEW PRESIDENT NOT ONLY WANTS TO FIGHT ILLITERACY IN HIS COUNTRY, HE ALSO WANTS PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAMS, NEW UNIVERSITIES, AND 'A UNIVERSITY FOR THE FUTURE OF AFRICA'." PRESIDENT WADE ALSO PRESENTED HIS PLANS TO RE-ENERGIZE THE AGRICULTURAL AND THE INDUSTRIAL SECTORS: FIRST, WITH 300,000 HECTARES DEDICATED TO VEGETABLE AND FRUIT FARMING ALONG THE SENEGAL RIVER, AND SECOND, WITH MODERNIZATION OF THE DAKAR-BAMAKO RAILROAD INFRASTRUCTURE AND NEW AIRPORTS IN SAINT LOUIS AND DAKAR. PRESIDENT WADE'S AMBITION IS TO SEE "DAKAR BECOME THE BUSINESS HUB OF WEST AFRICA."

COTE D'IVOIRE

4. JUNE 1 "LE MONDE" CONCLUDED THAT ALASSANE OUATTARA'S ISOLATION FROM THE CURRENT TRANSITION GOVERNMENT CONFIRMED GENERAL GUEI'S INTENTION TO RUN FOR THE PRESIDENCY, "HE (GUEI) HAS SET UP A CAMPAIGN GOVERNMENT TO PREPARE FOR THE SEPTEMBER PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS." "LE MONDE" SPOKE OF THE "ULTIMATE HUMILIATION" FOR A PARTY WITH ONLY ONE REPRESENTATIVE, SECRETARY GENERAL HENRIETTE DIABATE, LEFT IN GENERAL GUEI'S LAST TRANSITION GOVERNMENT, WHILE FORMER PRESIDENT BEDIE'S POLITICAL PARTY, THE PDCI, IS NOW INCLUDED. THE DAILY ARGUED THAT OUTTARA FACES AN UPHILL BATTLE AGAINST A MOVEMENT CALLED "ANYTHING BUT OUATTARA" (TOUT SAUF OUATTARA) SUPPORTED BY TWO PARTIES OPPORTUNISTICALLY ASSOCIATED, THE PDCI AND LAURENT GBAGBO'S FPI. THIS

ANTI-FOREIGNER SENTIMENT, OPINED "LE MONDE", HAS DEVELOPED IN A FERTILE ENVIRONMENT IN A COUNTRY HIT HARD BY AN ECONOMIC DOWNTURN AND MISMANAGEMENT.

THE CHAD-CAMEROON OIL PROJECT, A CHANCE FOR AFRICA
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5. FORMER FRENCH PRIME MINISTER MICHEL ROCARD CONTRIBUTED AN ANALYSIS TO THE MAY 30 "LE MONDE" TO DEFEND THE INTERNATIONAL OIL PROJECT HE SEES AS "A CHANCE FOR AFRICA." ENCOURAGED BY A TREND THAT IS CURRENTLY DEVELOPING IN AFRICA WITH THE PARTNERSHIP OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR, GOVERNMENTS, AND MULTILATERAL INSTITUTIONS, ROCARD PRESENTED THE CHAD-CAMEROON OIL PIPELINE PROJECT AS ONE OF THE MOST HOPEFUL PROJECTS FOR AFRICA. "THIS PROJECT IS A STRONG EXAMPLE OF HOW GOVERNMENT AND THE INTERNATIONAL PRIVATE SECTOR CAN COME TOGETHER TO WORK WITH MULTILATERAL INSTITUTIONS TO COMPLETELY CHANGE A POOR COUNTRY'S FUTURE POSSIBILITIES." THREE OIL COMPANIES, EXXON-MOBIL, CHEVRON, AND PETRONAS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE WORLD BANK WILL DEVELOP THE OIL PROJECT. ROCARD'S OPTIMISM WAS BASED ON THE FOLLOWING ARGUMENTS: A NEW, UNDERGROUND, AND LEAST DISRUPTIVE PIPELINE ROUTE; RESPECT FOR LOCAL POPULATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT; THE GOVERNMENT OF CHAD'S WILLINGNESS TO MANAGE OIL REVENUES WITH TRANSPARENCY. ROCARD OPINED THAT WITH DWINDLING INTERNATIONAL AID AND AFRICA'S EXTREME POVERTY, THE PRIVATE SECTOR WILL PLAY AN INCREASING ROLE IN DEVELOPMENT.

FREEDOM OF PRESS IN JEOPARDY IN RWANDA

6. PERHAPS INSPIRED BY A RECENT REPORT BY THE NGO "REPORTERS WITHOUT BORDERS", THE NATIONAL DAILY "FRANCE SOIR" DENOUNCED THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA IN ITS MAY 23 ISSUE. EXPLAINING THAT "INVOLVEMENT IN THE GENOCIDE AND INCITEMENT TO RACIAL HATRED ARE OFTEN USED BY KAGAME'S GOVERNMENT TO REPRESS FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION", "FRANCE SOIR" ACCUSED THE KAGAME GOVERNMENT OF HOLDING FIVE JOURNALISTS PRISONERS WITHOUT CAUSE. ACCORDING TO "FRANCE SOIR", THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC PRESS IN RWANDA HAS SLOWLY LOST ITS INDEPENDENCE BUT IS FIGHTING BACK WITH NEW PRESS SERVICES AND STRUCTURES OFFERED BY PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, NOTABLY THE RWANDAN JOURNALIST

ASSOCIATION.

THE U.S. IN "JEUNE AFRIQUE-L'INTELLIGENT"

7. IN ITS MAY 23-29 ISSUE, "JEUNE AFRIQUE-L'INTELLIGENT" (JA-L'INTELLIGENT) NOTED THAT CONGRESS FINALLY PASSED THE "TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT ACT", WHICH IT QUALIFIED AS A REAL VICTORY FOR THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION, RELIEVED TO SEE ITS ACCOMPLISHMENT BEFORE THE NEXT ELECTIONS. THE WEEKLY OPINED THAT THE "TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT ACT" WILL ALLOW GREATER TRADE BETWEEN THE U.S. AND AFRICA BUT WITH SOME, UNFAIR REGULATIONS IMPOSED ON AFRICA BECAUSE OF U.S. SENATORS' SENSITIVITY TO DOMESTIC TEXTILE INTERESTS. ACCORDING TO "JA-L'INTELLIGENT", SUCH DOMESTIC INTERESTS LED TO SOME PECULIAR LEGISLATION SUCH AS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR U.S.-MADE THREAD FOR EXPORTED AFRICAN TEXTILES, A PROVISION ECONOMICALLY VIABLE FOR TRADE WITH MEXICO BUT NOT WITH AFRICA WHOSE GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION IMPACTS TRADE COSTS. THE WEEKLY LAMENTED STRICT REGULATIONS IMPOSED ON AFRICA IN ORDER TO PREVENT TRADE ABUSES FROM NON-ELEGIBLE, TEXTILE PRODUCERS COUNTRIES, MOSTLY IN ASIA.

8. IN ITS MAY 30-JUNE 5 ISSUE, "JA-L'INTELLIGENT" HARSHLY CRITICIZED WASHINGTON'S AFRICAN AFFAIRS LEADERS. "IT IS OBVIOUS THAT IN WASHINGTON, AFRICA'S FATE RESTS ON THE SHOULDERS OF SOME LEADERS, NOT ALWAYS THE MOST COMPETENT, FROM THE AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY WHICH HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY INFLUENTIAL POLITICALLY AND ECONOMICALLY." NAMING SPECIFICALLY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS, SUSAN RICE, AND SPECIAL ENVOY FOR DEMOCRACY IN AFRICA, REVEREND JESSE JACKSON, "JA-L'INTELLIGENT" PRINTED EDITORIAL REMARKS MADE IN AN ELECTRONIC NEWS MAGAZINE CREATED BY UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 03 PARIS 006020

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2. FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THE APPROVED OFFICIAL DELEGATION
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FORWARDED IS THE TRAVELLING STAFF LIST.

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2. LIBERIA

3. UGANDA

4. SIERRA LEONE

5. SUDAN - PRESS STATEMENT

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1. EXPORT-IMPORT BANK AIDS LENDING INITIATIVE

Q: WHY SHOULD AFRICAN COUNTRIES PARTICIPATE IN THIS LENDING PROGRAM TO COMBAT HIV/AIDS WHEN IT CAN INCREASE THEIR DEBT BURDEN?

A: THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK'S SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA \$1 BILLION HIV/AIDS INITIATIVE TO HELP AFRICAN COUNTRIES PURCHASE ANTI-AIDS DRUGS FROM U.S. PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURERS AT DEEP DISCOUNTS IS ONE PART OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S MULTIFACETED APPROACH TO THIS GLOBAL EPIDEMIC. AS SUCH, IT BROADENS THE ARRAY OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS IN AFRICA.

-- THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK WAS NOT IN ANY WAY OFFERING THIS INITIATIVE AS A MEANS TO FULLY RESOLVE THE PROBLEM OF HIV/AIDS IN AFRICA, RATHER AS STILL ANOTHER TOOL IN THE ARSENAL OF WEAPONS AVAILABLE TO FIGHT HIV/AIDS. IT SHOULD BE VIEWED IN THE CONTEXT OF ALL THE ONGOING U.S. GOVERNMENT EFFORTS IN MANY FORMS TO PROVIDE AFRICA ASSISTANCE TO COMBAT THIS EPIDEMIC.

THESE EFFORTS INCLUDE:

-- THE PROVISION BY USAID OF INTENSIVE EDUCATION IN AIDS PREVENTION TO OVER 25 MILLION VULNERABLE MEN AND WOMEN IN TARGETED COUNTRIES DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS, MOSTLY IN AFRICA;

-- THE ADMINISTRATION'S \$100 MILLION LEADERSHIP AND INVESTMENT IN FIGHTING AN EPIDEMIC (LIFE) INITIATIVE, ANNOUNCED IN JULY 1999, TO FIGHT AIDS AROUND THE WORLD, INCLUDING 14 COUNTRIES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA;

-- VICE-PRESIDENT GORE'S HOSTING OF ANY UNPRECEDENTED SESSION OF THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL ON HIV/AIDS IN AFRICA IN JANUARY OF THIS YEAR IN WHICH HE ANNOUNCED THAT THE ADMINISTRATION IS SEEKING AN ADDITIONAL \$325 MILLION OVER TWO YEARS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF AIDS IN AFRICA;

-- A PRESIDENTIAL EXECUTIVE ORDER IN MAY 2000 BALANCING THE REQUIREMENT OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS WITH THE NEED FOR SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO HAVE GREATER ACCESS TO LIFE-SAVING U.S. DRUGS AND MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES;

-- THE EXPENDITURE OF \$2 BILLION THIS FISCAL YEAR FOR RESEARCH BY THE U.S. NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH) UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 04 STATE 163649

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TO FIND A VACCINE AND CURE FOR AIDS;

-- THE PRESIDENTIAL VACCINE CHALLENGE TO ACCELERATE THE EFFORTS TO DEVELOP AND DISTRIBUTE AN HIV VACCINE BY PROMOTING PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP IN RESEARCH;

-- A WORLD-WIDE CAMPAIGN BY THE PEACE CORPS TO COMBAT AIDS ENGAGING ALL ITS 2,400 VOLUNTEERS IN AFRICA;

-- THE APPOINTMENT BY THE ADMINISTRATION OF AMERICA'S FIRST PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY FOR AIDS COOPERATION, SANDRA THURMAN, ON AUGUST 15, 2000;

-- THE PRESIDENT'S SIGNING OF THE GLOBAL AIDS AND TUBERCULOSIS RELIEF ACT OF 2000, THE LEAHY BILL, ON AUGUST 19, 2000. THIS LEGISLATION AUTHORIZES A U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO A PROPOSED WORLD BANK GLOBAL TRUST FUND FOR AIDS PREVENTION, CARE, AND EDUCATION AS WELL AS FUNDING FOR OTHER BILATERAL PROJECTS IN THIS AREA.

-- TOTAL FUNDING OF OVER \$4 BILLION BEING SOUGHT BY THE ADMINISTRATION IN THE FIGHT AGAINST AIDS AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASE THREATS FOR 2001.

2. LIBERIA

JOURNALISTS RELEASED

Q: WHAT IS THE LATEST ON THE FOUR JOURNALISTS ARRESTED OVER THE WEEKEND IN MONROVIA?

A: AT 10:30 WASHINGTON TIME, THE JOURNALISTS WERE RELEASED. THEY HAVE TOLD OFFICIALS OF OUR EMBASSY IN MONROVIA THAT THEY ARE PLANNING TO GO TO THE AIRPORT AND LEAVE THE COUNTRY TODAY.

-- AT 10:15 WASHINGTON TIME, PRESIDENT TAYLOR ANNOUNCED ON LIBERIAN RADIO THE JOURNALISTS WERE GOING TO BE RELEASED AND THAT THEY WOULD BE ALLOWED TO STAY IN LIBERIA.

-- THE U.K. AMBASSADOR RESIDENT IN ABIDJAN ARRIVED AUGUST 24 IN MONROVIA AND HELD HIGH-LEVEL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF LIBERIA TO SEEK THE RELEASE OF THE JOURNALISTS.

-- WE WELCOME THE RELEASE OF THE JOURNALISTS. WE HOPE

THEY WILL BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY AS PLANNED.

BACKGROUND: FOUR JOURNALISTS, ALL NON-AMERICANS -- SORIOUS SAMURA OF SIERRA LEONE, BRITONS DAVID BARRIE AND TIMOTHY LAMBON, AND SOUTH AFRICAN GUGULAKHE RADEBE -- WERE ARRESTED THE EVENING OF FRIDAY, AUGUST 18 IN MONROVIA. THEY HAD BEEN IN LIBERIA SINCE AUGUST 1, WORKING ON A PROJECT FOR LONDON-BASED CHANNEL 4 TELEVISION. SAMURA WAS THE PRODUCER OF THE 1999 DOCUMENTARY "CRY FREETOWN." THE LIBERIAN GOVERNMENT ISSUED A STATEMENT AUGUST 19 INDICATING THE JOURNALISTS HAD BEEN ARRESTED, THAT THEY HAD BEEN ACCREDITED AS VISITING JOURNALISTS, BUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF LIBERIA HAD NOT APPROVED THEIR REQUEST TO PRODUCE A DOCUMENTARY ON LIBERIA. ON MONDAY, AUGUST 21, THE FOUR WERE CHARGED IN MONROVIA WITH ESPIONAGE. A BAIL HEARING EXPECTED AUGUST 22 DID NOT OCCUR. DURING THE EVENING OF AUGUST 22, THE FOUR WERE MOVED FROM MONROVIA'S CENTRAL PRISON TO THE NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY, WHERE THEY WERE MISTREATED AND THREATENED WITH TORTURE. THEY UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 04 STATE 163649

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WERE DENIED BAIL IN AN AUGUST 23 HEARING. ON AUGUST 23, THEY MET WITH THE HONORARY BRITISH CONSUL AND U.S. EMBASSY OFFICIALS. ONE OF THE REPORTERS DICTATED A LETTER TO PRESIDENTIAL SPECIAL ENVOY REVEREND JESSE JACKSON ASKING THAT HE COME TO MONROVIA TO INTERVENE ON THEIR BEHALF. REVEREND JACKSON TOLD REUTERS HE WAS PREPARED TO GO TO LIBERIA. NO DECISION ON THAT TRIP HAS BEEN MADE. TAYLOR SAID IN PRESS INTERVIEWS THIS MORNING THAT THE JOURNALISTS WERE GOING TO BE RELEASED AND WOULD BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN LIBERIA. EMBASSY MONROVIA CONFIRMED THEIR RELEASE AT 10:30 AM WASHINGTON TIME (2:30 LIBERIA TIME). THE JOURNALISTS SAID THEY PLAN TO GO TO THE AIRPORT AND LEAVE THE COUNTRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. UGANDA

(IF ASKED)

UGANDA: CLOSURE OF US EMBASSY

Q: CAN YOU CONFIRM THAT THE US EMBASSY KAMPALA IS CLOSED TODAY? IS THERE A SECURITY THREAT?

A: FOR SECURITY REASONS, THE US EMBASSY IN KAMPALA WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY, AUGUST 25.

-- EMERGENCY CONSULAR SERVICES REMAIN AVAILABLE.

-- THE EMBASSY IS TAKING APPROPRIATE SECURITY MEASURES.

FOR SECURITY REASONS, WE DO NOT DISCUSS SPECIFIC DETAILS OF THE SECURITY MEASURES TAKEN.

-- THE SAFETY OF OUR EMPLOYEES IS A TOP PRIORITY FOR US. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS IS THE APPROPRIATE, PRUDENT ACTION TO TAKE AT THIS TIME.

-- THE EMBASSY IS EXPECTED TO RESUME NORMAL OPERATIONS ON MONDAY.

Q: WHY DIDN'T YOU NOTIFY THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY?

A: OUR EMBASSIES AND CONSULATES ABROAD ARE EMPOWERED TO TAKE THOSE PRECAUTIONS THEY DEEM APPROPRIATE AND PRUDENT TO ENSURE THE SECURITY OF THEIR PERSONNEL AND THEIR PHYSICAL PLANT.

-- INFORMATION ABOUT A THREAT WOULD BE SHARED WITH THE BROADER AMERICAN COMMUNITY THROUGH OUR CONSULAR INFORMATION PROGRAM ONLY IF IT POSED A DANGER TO THEM.

3. SIERRA LEONE

REVOLUTIONARY UNITED FRONT (RUF) ATTACKS ON GOVERNMENT, UNITED NATIONS (UN) SOLDIERS

Q: IS THE REVOLUTIONARY UNITED FRONT (RUF) CONTINUING ITS MILITARY CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT OF SIERRA LEONE AND THE UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING FORCES?

A: WE DEPLORE THE AUGUST 23 ATTACKS BY REBEL GROUPS ON SIERRA LEONE GOVERNMENT FORCES AND UNITED NATIONS FORCES IN SIERRA LEONE. THE SIERRA LEONE FORCES AND THE TROOPS OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING MISSION IN SIERRA LEONE UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 04 STATE 163649

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(UNAMSIL) ARE CARRYING OUT THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER EXTREMELY DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES. WE EXPRESS OUR FIRM SUPPORT FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO BRING PEACE AND STABILITY TO SIERRA LEONE.

-- WE WILL CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN THE UN'S PEACEKEEPING MISSION IN SIERRA LEONE (UNAMSIL) AND HAVE COMMITTED TO TRAINING UP TO 7 BATTALIONS OF WEST AFRICAN

TROOPS WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE UN'S PEACEKEEPING MISSION IN SIERRA LEONE (UNAMSIL).

-- WE URGE THE NEW REVOLUTIONARY UNITED FRONT (RUF) LEADERSHIP TO CEASE INFLECTING ATROCITIES ON THE PEOPLE OF

SIERRA LEONE, STOP ALL HOSTILE ACTIONS AND FOLLOW THROUGH ON ITS RESPONSIBILITY TO DISARM AND DEMOBILIZE.

-- WE REFER YOU TO THE UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS OR TO THE UNITED NATIONS MISSION IN SIERRA LEONE FOR OPERATIONAL DETAILS OF THESE ATTACKS BY REBEL FORCES.

CONTEXT: ON AUGUST 23, REBEL FORCES IN SIERRA LEONE ATTACKED UNITED NATIONS FORCES AND SIERRA LEONE GOVERNMENT TROOPS ALONG A STRATEGIC ROAD LEADING TO THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND AT A KEY JUNCTION TOWN SOME 80 MILES NORTH OF FREETOWN. THE ATTACKS WERE REPELLED WITH AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF CASUALTIES ON BOTH SIDES.

4. SUDAN

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE SPOKESMAN

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE AUGUST 25, 2000

STATEMENT BY PHILIP T. REEKER, DEPUTY SPOKESMAN

REPORTS OF CONTINUED AERIAL BOMBINGS OF CIVILIAN TARGETS IN SOUTHERN SUDAN

WE HAVE FOLLOWED WITH GREAT CONCERN RECENT REPORTS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SUDAN'S RENEWED BOMBING OF CIVILIAN TARGETS IN SOUTHERN SUDAN. THE TARGETS OF THESE BOMBINGS HAVE INCLUDED SEVERAL TOWNS IN THE EASTERN EQUATORIA REGION WHERE INTERNATIONAL RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS ARE OPERATING, INCLUDING THOSE UNDER THE UN-LED OPERATION LIFELINE SUDAN. THESE ATTACKS CONTRADICT THE SUDANESE PRESIDENT'S APRIL 19 STATEMENT THAT HE WOULD END THE BOMBING OF CIVILIAN TARGETS IN THE SOUTH, AND VIOLATE THE SPIRIT OF A PLEDGE TO UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY GENERAL KOFI ANNAN THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL ENSURE THE SAFETY OF RELIEF OPERATIONS.

THE UNITED STATES CONDEMNS THESE AND ALL GOVERNMENT OF SUDAN ATTACKS AGAINST CIVILIAN TARGETS. THESE ATTACKS HAVE NO MILITARY PURPOSE. ENDANGERING THE INTERNATIONAL

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF EFFORT INCREASES THE RISK OF STARVATION FOR TENS OF THOUSANDS OF SUDANESE NONCOMBATANTS. THE UNITED STATES AGAIN CALLS UPON THE GOVERNMENT OF SUDAN TO HALT IMMEDIATELY THESE BOMBINGS AND CEASE ANY ACTIVITIES WHICH HARM CIVILIANS OR INTERFERE WITH RELIEF OPERATIONS IN SUDAN.

6. FREETOWN MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.
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1. THIS CABLE INCLUDES ACTION REQUESTS IN PARA 2.

2. ACTION REQUESTS: PLEASE PASS THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH TO GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES AS APPROPRIATE. BOTH HEADS OF STATE ATTENDING THE ARUSHA SIGNING AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BURUNDIAN PARTIES SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED COPIES FROM THE PRESIDENT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SESSION CLOSED.

ACTION BUJUMBURA: PLEASE PASS TO REPRESENTATIVES ATTENDING ARUSHA AS APPROPRIATE.

ACTION DAR ES SALAAM/PRETORIA: PLEASE PASS COPIES TO NICHOLAS HAYSOM AND JUDGE BOMANI FOR APPROPRIATE DISTRIBUTION.

ACTION PRETORIA: PLEASE PASS COPY TO NELSON MANDELA.

3. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF REMARKS BY PRESIDENT CLINTON AT THE BURUNDI PEACE TALKS AT THE ARUSHA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTER.

BEGIN TEXT:

THE PRESIDENT: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, PRESIDENT MUSEVENI, PRESIDENT MKAPA, DISTINGUISHED LEADERS OF THE OAU AND VARIOUS AFRICAN NATIONS AND OTHER NATIONS SUPPORTING THIS PEACE PROCESS. IT IS A GREAT HONOR FOR ME TO BE HERE TODAY WITH A LARGE DELEGATION FROM THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF OUR CONGRESS, AND MY SPECIAL ENVOY TO AFRICA, REVEREND JESSE JACKSON AND HOWARD WOLPE AND OTHERS WHO HAVE WORKED ON THIS FOR A LONG TIME.

THIS IS A SPECIAL DAY IN AMERICA AND FOR REVEREND JACKSON. I THINK I SHOULD JUST MENTION IT IN PASSING. THIS

IS THE 37TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MOST IMPORTANT CIVIL RIGHTS MEETING WE EVER HAD: THE GREAT MARCH ON WASHINGTON, WHERE JESSE JACKSON WAS PRESENT AND MARTIN LUTHER KING GAVE HIS "I HAVE A DREAM" SPEECH. I SAY THAT NOT BECAUSE I THINK THE SITUATIONS ARE ANALOGOUS, BUT BECAUSE EVERYBODY NEEDS A DREAM. AND I THINK WHETHER YOU ALL DECIDE TO SIGN THIS OR NOT DEPENDS IN PART ON WHAT YOUR DREAM IS.

I THANK MY FRIEND, PRESIDENT MANDELA, FOR COMING IN TO REPLACE THE MARVELOUS LATE PRESIDENT NYERERE TO INVOLVE HIMSELF IN THIS PROCESS. AFTER 27 YEARS IN PRISON AND FOUR YEARS AS PRESIDENT OF HIS COUNTRY, WHICH SOME PEOPLE THINK IS ANOTHER FORM OF PRISON -- (LAUGHTER) -- HE COULD BE FORGIVEN IF HE HAD PURSUED OTHER THINGS. BUT HE CAME HERE BECAUSE HE BELIEVES IN PEACE AND RECONCILIATION. HE KNOWS THERE IS NO GUARANTEE OF SUCCESS; BUT IF YOU DON'T TRY, THERE IS A GUARANTEE OF FAILURE. AND FAILURE IS NOT AN ACCEPTABLE OPTION.

SO I THANK HIM, I THANK THE OAU, I THANK THE REGIONAL LEADERS; IN ADDITION TO PRESIDENTS MUSEVENI AND MKAPA, PRESIDENT KAGAME, PRIME MINISTER MELES FOR THEIR WORK. I THANK THE NYERERE FOUNDATION, JUDGE BOMANI, JUDGE WARIOBA AND I THANK THE PEOPLE OF TANZANIA FOR HOSTING US HERE IN A CITY THAT HAS BECOME THE GENEVA OF AFRICA, THANKS TO MANY OF YOU. (APPLAUSE.) I SAY AGAIN, I AM HONORED TO BE IN A PLACE THAT IS A TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF PRESIDENT NYERERE, AND I'M GLAD THAT MADAME NYERERE IS HERE TODAY; I MET HER A FEW MOMENTS AGO, AND I THANK HER FOR HER PRESENCE. (APPLAUSE.) I THANK PRESIDENT BUYOYA AND ALL THE BURUNDIANS FROM ALL THE PARTIES WHO HAVE COME TO ARUSHA FOR THE EFFORTS YOU HAVE MADE.

PEACEMAKING REQUIRES COURAGE AND VISION - COURAGE BECAUSE THERE ARE RISKS INVOLVED, AND VISION BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO SEE BEYOND THE RISKS TO UNDERSTAND THAT HOWEVER LARGE THEY ARE, THEY ARE SMALLER THAN THE PRICE OF UNENDING VIOLENCE. THAT YOU HAVE COME SO FAR SUGGESTS YOU HAVE THE COURAGE AND VISION TO FINISH THE JOB, AND WE PRAY THAT YOU WILL.

I CONFESS THAT I COME HERE WITH SOME HUMILITY. I HAVE SPENT A GREAT DEAL OF TIME IN THE LAST EIGHT YEARS TRYING TO TALK PEOPLE INTO LAYING DOWN THEIR ARMS AND OPENING THEIR HANDS TO ONE ANOTHER - FROM THE MIDDLE EAST TO NORTHERN IRELAND TO THE BALKANS. I HAVE HAD SOME MEASURE OF SUCCESS AND KNOWN SOME ENORMOUSLY PAINFUL FAILURES. BUT I HAVE NOT BEEN HERE WITH YOU ALL THIS LONG TIME AND MAYBE I HAVE NOTHING TO ADD TO YOUR DELIBERATIONS. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE SOME THINGS THAT I HAVE LEARNED IN EIGHT YEARS OF SEEING PEOPLE DIE, SEEING PEOPLE FIGHT WITH ONE ANOTHER BECAUSE THEY'RE OF DIFFERENT ETHNIC OR RACIAL OR TRIBAL OR RELIGIOUS GROUPS, AND OF SEEING THE MIRACLES THAT COME FROM NORMAL PEACE.

FIRST, TO STATE THE OBVIOUS, THERE WILL BE NO AGREEMENT UNLESS THERE IS A COMPROMISE. PEOPLE HATE COMPROMISE BECAUSE IT REQUIRES ALL THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE IN IT TO BE LESS THAN SATISFIED. SO IT IS BY DEFINITION NOT COMPLETELY SATISFYING. AND THOSE WHO DON'T GO ALONG CAN ALWAYS POINT THEIR FINGER

AT YOU AND CLAIM THAT YOU SOLD OUT: OH, IT GOES TOO FAST IN ESTABLISHING DEMOCRACY. OH, IT GOES TOO SLOW IN ESTABLISHING DEMOCRACY. IT HAS ABSOLUTELY TOO MANY PROTECTIONS FOR MINORITY RIGHTS. NO, IT DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH PROTECTIONS FOR MINORITY RIGHTS.

AND THERE'S ALWAYS A CROWD THAT NEVER WANTS A COMPROMISE. A SMALL GROUP THAT ACTUALLY WOULD, BY THEIR OWN DEFINITION, AT LEAST, BENEFIT FROM CONTINUED TURMOIL AND FIGHTING. SO IF YOU PUT THE COMPROMISE ON THE TABLE, THEY WILL USE IT LIKE SALT BEING RUBBED INTO OLD WOUNDS. AND THEY'RE ALWAYS VERY GOOD. THEY KNOW JUST WHERE THE BREAK POINTS ARE TO STRIKE FEAR INTO THE HEARTS OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE TO MAKE THE HARD DECISIONS. I HAVE SEEN THIS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

BUT I KNOW THAT HONORABLE COMPROMISE IS IMPORTANT, AND REQUIRES PEOPLE ONLY TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT NO ONE HAS THE WHOLE TRUTH, THAT THEY HAVE MADE A DECISION TO LIVE TOGETHER, AND THAT THE BASIC ASPIRATIONS OF ALL SIDES CAN BE FULFILLED BY SIMPLY SAYING NO ONE WILL BE ASKED TO ACCEPT COMPLETE DEFEAT.

NOW, NO ONE EVER COMPROMISES UNTIL THEY DECIDE IT'S BETTER THAN THE ALTERNATIVE. SO I ASK YOU TO THINK ABOUT THE ALTERNATIVE. YOU'RE NOT BEING ASKED TODAY TO SIGN A COMPREHENSIVE AGREEMENT, YOU'RE BEING ASKED TO SIGN ONTO A PROCESS WHICH PERMITS YOU TO SPECIFY THE AREAS IN WHICH YOU STILL HAVE DISAGREEMENTS, BUT WHICH WILL BE A PROCESS THAT WE ALL HOPE IS COMPLETELY IRREVERSIBLE.

NOW, IF YOU DON'T DO IT, WHAT IS THE PRICE? IF YOU DON'T DO IT, WHAT IS THE CHANCE THAT THE PROGRESS YOU HAVE MADE WILL UNRAVEL? IF YOU COME BACK IN FIVE OR TEN YEARS, WILL THE ISSUES HAVE CHANGED? I THINK NOT. THE GULF BETWEEN YOU WON'T NARROW, BUT THE GULF BETWEEN BURUNDI AND THE REST OF THE WORLD, I ASSURE YOU, WILL GROW WIDER IF YOU LET THIS MOMENT SLIP AWAY. MORE LIVES WILL BE LOST. AND I HAVE A FEW BASIC QUESTIONS. I ADMIT, I AM AN OUTSIDER. I ADMIT I HAVE NOT BEEN HERE WITH YOU. BUT I HAVE STUDIED THIS SITUATION FAIRLY CLOSELY. I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW CONTINUED VIOLENCE WILL BUILD SCHOOLS FOR YOUR CHILDREN, BRING WATER TO YOUR VILLAGES, MAKE YOUR CROPS GROW, OR BRING YOU INTO THE NEW ECONOMY. I THINK IT IS IMPOSSIBLE THAT THAT WILL HAPPEN.

NOW, I DO THINK IT IS ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN THAT IF YOU LET THIS MOMENT SLIP AWAY, IT WILL DIG THE WELL OF BITTERNESS DEEPER AND PILE THE MOUNTAIN OF GRIEVANCES HIGHER, SO THAT SOMEDAY, WHEN SOMEBODY ELSE HAS TO COME HERE AND SIT AT A TABLE LIKE THIS, THEY WILL HAVE AN EVEN HARDER JOB THAN YOU DO. SO I URGE YOU TO WORK WITH PRESIDENT MANDELA, I URGE YOU TO WORK WITH EACH OTHER TO SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY THAT EXISTS RIGHT NOW.

AND I URGE THOSE GROUPS, INCLUDING THE REBELS WHO ARE NOT NOW PART OF THIS PROCESS TO JOIN IT AND BEGIN TAKING YOUR OWN RISKS FOR PEACE. NO ONE CAN HAVE A FREE RIDE HERE. NOW THAT THERE IS A PROCESS FOR RESOLVING DIFFERENCES PEACEFULLY, THEY SHOULD LAY DOWN THEIR ARMS.

NOW, IF YOU TAKE THIS STEP TODAY, IT IS A FIRST STEP. IT CAN'T RESTORE THE BONDS OF TRUST BY ITSELF, IT CAN'T RESTORE THE SENSE OF UNDERSTANDING THAT IS NECESSARY FOR PEOPLE TO LIVE TOGETHER. SO I WILL ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT SUCCESS DEPENDS NOT ONLY ON WHAT YOU SAY OR SIGN IN ARUSHA, ALSO WHAT YOU DO IN THE WEEKS AND MONTHS AND YEARS AHEAD IN BURUNDI. THE AGREEMENTS YOU REACH HAVE TO BE RESPECTED AND IMPLEMENTED BOTH IN LETTER AND SPIRIT.

AGAIN, I SAY, IF YOU DECIDE TO DO THIS, EVERYONE MUST ACKNOWLEDGE THERE MUST BE NO VICTORS AND NO VANQUISHED. IF ONE SIDE FEELS DEFEATED, IT WILL BE LIKELY TO FIGHT AGAIN AND NO BURUNDIAN WILL BE SECURE. AND, AFTER ALL, SECURITY FOR ALL IS ONE OF THE MAIN ARGUMENTS FOR DOING THIS.

NOW, LET ME SAY SOMETHING ELSE. OF COURSE, YOU MUST CONFRONT THE PAST WITH HONESTY. THERE IS HARDLY A BURUNDIAN FAMILY THAT HAS NOT FELT THE SORROW OF LOSING A LOVED ONE TO VIOLENCE. THE HISTORY MUST BE TOLD, THE CAUSES MUST BE UNDERSTOOD. THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR VIOLENCE AGAINST INNOCENT PEOPLE MUST BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. BUT WHAT IS THE GOAL HERE? THE GOAL MUST BE TO END THE CYCLE OF VIOLENCE, NOT PERPETUATE IT.

SO I PLEAD WITH YOU. I'VE SEEN THIS A LOT OF PLACES, AND IT'S ALWAYS THE SAME. YOU HAVE TO HELP YOUR CHILDREN REMEMBER THEIR HISTORY, BUT YOU MUST NOT FORCE THEM TO RELIVE THEIR HISTORY. THEY DESERVE TO LIVE IN THEIR TOMORROWS, NOT IN YOUR YESTERDAYS. (APPLAUSE.)

LET ME JUST MAKE ONE OTHER POINT. WHEN ALL IS SAID AND DONE, ONLY YOU CAN BRING AN END TO THE BLOODSHED AND SORROW YOUR COUNTRY HAS SUFFERED. NELSON MANDELA WILL BE A FORCE FOR PEACE. THE UNITED STATES WILL TRY TO BE A FORCE FOR PEACE. BUT NO ONE CAN FORCE PEACE. YOU MUST CHOOSE IT.

NOW, AGAIN, I SAY, I WATCHED THE PARTIES IN IRELAND FIGHT FOR 30 YEARS. I'VE WATCHED THE PARTIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST FIGHT FOR 50 YEARS. I'VE WATCHED THE PARTIES IN THE BALKANS NOW GO AT IT AND THEN QUIT AND THEN GO AT IT AGAIN, AND SAW A MILLION PEOPLE DRIVEN OUT OF KOSOVO. AND WHEN WE BEGAN TO TALK PEACE IN BOSNIA, THE THREE DIFFERENT ETHNIC AND RELIGIOUS GROUPS DIDN'T EVEN WANT TO SIT DOWN TOGETHER IN THE SAME ROOM.

BUT WHEN IT'S ALL SAID AND DONE, IT ALWAYS COMES DOWN TO THE SAME THING. YOU HAVE TO FIND A WAY TO SUPPORT DEMOCRACY AND RESPECT FOR THE MAJORITY, AND THEIR DESIRES. YOU HAVE TO HAVE MINORITY RIGHTS, INCLUDING SECURITY. YOU HAVE TO HAVE SHARED DECISION-MAKING, AND THERE MUST BE SHARED BENEFITS FROM YOUR LIVING TOGETHER.

NOW, YOU CAN WALK AWAY FROM ALL THIS AND FIGHT SOME MORE AND WORRY ABOUT IT AND LET SOMEBODY COME BACK HERE 10 YEARS FROM NOW. NO MATTER HOW LONG YOU TAKE, WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO IT, THEY'LL STILL BE DEALING WITH THE SAME ISSUES. AND I SAY, IF YOU LET ANYBODY ELSE DIE BECAUSE YOU CAN'T BRING THIS

TOGETHER NOW, ALL YOU WILL DO IS MAKE IT HARDER FOR PEOPLE TO MAKE THE SAME DECISION YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE HERE ANYWAY.

SO I WILL SAY AGAIN: IF YOU DECIDE, IF YOU CHOOSE, NOT BECAUSE ANYBODY IS FORCING YOU BUT BECAUSE YOU KNOW IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE YOUR CHILDREN THEIR TOMORROWS, IF YOU CHOOSE PEACE, THE UNITED STATES AND THE WORLD COMMUNITY WILL BE THERE TO HELP YOU MAKE IT PAY OFF. (APPLAUSE.) WE WILL STRONGLY SUPPORT AN APPROPRIATE ROLE FOR THE U.N. IN HELPING TO IMPLEMENT IT. WE WILL SUPPORT YOUR EFFORTS TO DEMOBILIZE COMBATANTS AND TO INTEGRATE THEM INTO A NATIONAL ARMY. WE WILL HELP YOU BRING REFUGEES HOME AND TO MEET THE NEEDS OF DISPLACED CHILDREN AND ORPHANS. (APPLAUSE.) WE WILL HELP YOU TO CREATE THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS ESSENTIAL TO A SUSTAINABLE PEACE - FROM AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT TO CHILD IMMUNIZATION, TO THE PREVENTION OF AIDS.

I KNOW THIS IS HARD, BUT I BELIEVE YOU CAN DO IT. CONSIDER THE CASE OF MOZAMBIQUE. A CIVIL WAR THERE TOOK A MILLION LIVES, MOST OF THEM INNOCENT CIVILIANS. OF EVERY FIVE INFANTS BORN IN MOZAMBIQUE DURING THE CIVIL WAR, THREE - THREE - DIED BEFORE THEIR FIFTH BIRTHDAY, EITHER MURDERED OR STRICKEN BY DISEASE. THOSE WHO SURVIVED GREW UP KNOWING NOTHING BUT WAR. YET TODAY, MOZAMBIQUE IS AT PEACE, IT HAS FOUND A WAY TO INCLUDE EVERYONE IN ITS POLITICAL LIFE, AND OUT OF THE DEVASTATION, LAST YEAR IT HAD ONE OF THE FIVE FASTEST-GROWING ECONOMIES IN THE ENTIRE WORLD. (APPLAUSE.)

NOW, YOU CAN DO THAT. BUT YOU HAVE TO CHOOSE. AND YOU HAVE TO DECIDE IF YOU'RE GOING TO EMBRACE THAT, YOU HAVE TO CREATE A LOT OF ROOM IN YOUR MIND AND HEART AND SPIRIT FOR THAT KIND OF FUTURE. SO YOU HAVE TO LET SOME THINGS GO.

NOW, MR. MANDELA - HE'S THE WORLD'S GREATEST EXAMPLE OF LETTING THINGS GO. (APPLAUSE.) BUT WHEN WE GOT TO BE FRIENDS, I SAID TO HIM ONE DAY, IN A FRIENDLY WAY, I SAID, YOU KNOW, MANDELA, YOU'RE A GREAT MAN, BUT YOU'RE ALSO A GREAT POLITICIAN. IT WAS QUITE SMART TO INVITE YOUR JAILERS TO YOUR INAUGURATION. GOOD POLITICS. BUT TELL ME THE TRUTH NOW. WHEN THEY LET YOU OUT OF JAIL THE LAST TIME AND YOU WERE WALKING TO FREEDOM, DIDN'T YOU HAVE A MOMENT WHEN YOU WERE REALLY, REALLY ANGRY AT THEM AGAIN? YOU KNOW WHAT HE SAID? HE SAID, YES, I DID - A MOMENT. THEN, I REALIZED I HAD BEEN IN PRISON FOR 27 YEARS, AND IF I HATED THEM AFTER I GOT OUT, I WOULD STILL BE THEIR PRISONER, AND I WANTED TO BE FREE. (APPLAUSE.)

SOONER OR LATER, HATRED, VENGEANCE, THE ILLUSION THAT POWER OVER ANOTHER GROUP OF PEOPLE WILL BRING SECURITY IN LIFE, THESE FEELINGS CAN BE JUST AS IRON, JUST AS CONFINING AS THE DOORS OF A PRISON CELL. I DON'T ASK YOU TO FORGET WHAT YOU WENT THROUGH IN THE BITTER YEARS. BUT I HOPE YOU WILL GO HOME TO BURUNDI NOT AS PRISONERS OF THE PAST, BUT BUILDERS OF THE FUTURE. I WILL SAY AGAIN: IF YOU DECIDE, AMERICA AND THE WORLD WILL BE WITH YOU. BUT YOU, AND ONLY YOU, MUST DECIDE WHETHER TO GIVE YOUR CHILDREN THEIR OWN TOMORROWS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. (APPLAUSE.)

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