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RECORD ID: 0310775
RECEIVED: 1 Dec 03
DOC DATE: 1 Dec 2003
SOURCE REF:

TO:
PRESIDENT (MISC)

FROM:
JOSEPH KABILA (HOS)

KEYWORDS: CONGO D R HS

PERSONS:

SUBJECT: THANK YOU LETTER PRES OF DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

ACTION: FOR RECORD PURPOSES

DUE DATE: 4 Dec 03

STATUS: C

FILES: PA

STAFF OFFICER:
NONE (MISC)

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Ficklin, John W. (RECORDS)

From: WHSR Gateway
Sent: Wednesday, November 26, 2003 8:32 AM
To: Ficklin, John W. (RECORDS); Frazer, Jendayi E. (AFRICA); HSCPublicCables; McLean Matthew K. (AFRICA); Millison, Cathy L. (EXECSEC); Pittman, Bobby J. (AFRICA); Public Cables; Sigler, Ralph H. (WHSR); Teitelbaum, Donald G. (AFRICA); Vieira, Heather B. (OVP)
Subject: LETTER TO PRES. BUSH FROM GDRC HEAD OF STATE
Categories: CABLE

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[Distribution]

SIT: Ficklin FRAZER HSCCABLES MCLEAN Millison BPITTMAN NSCCABLES SUM TEITELBAUM VIEIRA
PRT: SIT{C2}

[Cable]

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[Cable Text]

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AF/C FOR CARL PASCHALL
DEPARTMENT FOR S/ES-CR AND S/ES-O

E.O. 12958: N/A

TAGS: OFDP, OPDC, PGOV

SUBJECT: LETTER TO PRES. BUSH FROM GDRC HEAD OF STATE

1. GDRC officials gave post the following letter from GDRC President Kabila to President Bush. Following is post's informal translation. French original is being pouched to AF/C.

(Begin text)

Kinshasa, November 14, 2003

Dear Mr. President,

I would like to express my gratitude for the attention provided to my delegation and myself during our recent official visit to your country.

My wish is to see that the relations which fortunately exist between our two states are further strengthened in order to achieve common objectives, notably the fight against terrorism, for a better world.

Yours sincerely,

Joseph Kabila /s/

(End text)

HOOKS

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Battenfield, Patricia A. (AFRICA)

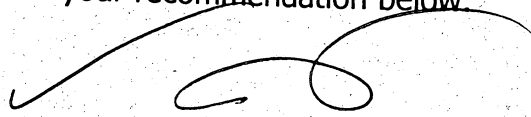
From: Teitelbaum, Donald G. (AFRICA)
Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2003 12:45 PM
To: Langer, Elliott M. (RECORDS)
Cc: @African Affairs; @West Wing Desk
Subject: RE: Thank you to President Joseph Kabila of the Congo [UNCLASSIFIED, Record]

@Africa clears.
DT

-----Original Message-----

From: Langer, Elliott M. (RECORDS)
Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2003 12:35 PM
To: Teitelbaum, Donald G. (AFRICA)
Cc: @African Affairs; @West Wing Desk
Subject: Thank you to President Joseph Kabila of the Congo [UNCLASSIFIED, Record]
Importance: High

Mr. Teitelbaum: Pres Messages is inquiring as to the status of this message (pkg 10055 #21). Please respond with your comments / concurrence. Thank you.
<< File: 10055 #21.TIF >>

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCILDate: 11-11-03To: MR. TEITELBAUM
NSC Staff OfficerPlease review the attached draft Presidential letter /
message and indicate your recommendation below:Concur as is: 

Concur w/ changes: _____

Alternate text attached: _____

Signature: _____

NSC Staff Officer for
Executive Secretary**RETURN FORM AND ATTACHMENTS TO
RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICE ROOM 379
EOB AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**10055
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Thank you



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF PRESIDENTIAL WRITERS

FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

TO:
RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICE

NSC

FROM:
CATHERINE MCEADDY
WRITER
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

PHONE NUMBER: 456-9221

FAX NUMBER: 456-9230

PHONE NUMBER: 456-5512

FAX NUMBER: 456-5426

DATE: NOVEMBER 10, 2003

TOTAL NO. OF PAGES: 18

SUBJECT: CLEARANCE
FOR DRAFT THANK YOU LETTER

COMMENTS:

Please accept the attached draft thank you letter from the President to His Excellency Joseph Kabila, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

This letter is for the President's personal signature, and we appreciate your help in expediting this request. Please review and return the draft to our office with any necessary edits by COB Thursday, November 13, 2003.

If you have any questions, please call Catherine McEaddy at 6-5512.

Thank you.

IF THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH TRANSMISSION OF THIS FAX PLEASE CONTACT:

OFFICE OF PRESIDENTIAL WRITERS
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, DC 20502
202-456-5426 (fax)

DRAFT

November 10, 2003

His Excellency
Joseph Kabila
President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
Kinshasa

Dear Mr. President:

It was a pleasure to see you. Thank you for the artwork. I appreciate
your kind gesture and thoughtfulness.

I am grateful for your friendship as we work to advance peace,
prosperity, and democracy.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

George W. Bush

GWB/(>>)/cm (Corres. #3002986)
((>>))

cc: WH Gifts, 9thFL/1800 G Street, N.W.

cc: Catherine McEaddy, 9thFL/1800 G Street, N.W.

PRESIDENT TO SIGN
DISPATCH THROUGH STATE

White House Gift Record

Presented: 11/05/2003
Arrival: 11/05/2003
Entered: 11/06/2003

Gift ID: 335246/GREENHILL

Donor Information

His Excellency Joseph Kabila
President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
Kinshasa
DEM_CONGO

Acknowledged By: Pending Draft for Presidential sig

GWB Signature.doc

Comments:

Given on the occasion of President Kabila's visit to Washington on 11/5/03. Delivered from Oval Office on 11/5/03. Price per pending value from appraisers. Both the rock and the sculpture are very heavy.

Gift Information

Intended: President

Disposition: Archives Foreign

Description:

Location:

Miscellaneous: 10" x 9 1/2" green and black
malachite and heterogenite rock.

Held in Gift Office

There are multiple parts to this gift. This part is valued at SPV

Total Gift Value is Pending Value part, Pending Value part, and Pending Value part

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Disposition: Archives Foreign

Description:

Location:

Artwork: 15" x 21" oil painting of two deer-like figures with shells and cloth framing the center, from the Symphonie Des Arts Gallery; held in a 17" x 23" wooden frame.

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Disposition: Archives Foreign

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Location:

Artwork: 21" x 7" dark wooden sculpture of two children lying next to a woman, by unknown artist; mounted on a 24" x 16" wooden block.

Held in Gift Office

There are multiple parts to this gift. This part is valued at \$PV

Total Gift Value is Pending Value part, Pending Value part, and Pending Value part

Greenhill, Maggie H.

From: Sherzer Press Releases, David
Sent: Friday, October 24, 2003 2:06 PM
Subject: STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

October 24, 2003

STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

President Bush to Meet with Congolese President Joseph Kabila

President Bush will welcome President Joseph Kabila of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the White House on Wednesday, November 5, 2003. President Bush looks forward to discussing issues affecting the common interests of the United States and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, particularly the successes of President Kabila's transition government, regional stability, emergency relief, trade and development, HIV/AIDS, and the global war on terrorism.

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Message

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Greenhill, Maggie H.

From: Chagnon, Natalie L [ChagnonNL@STATE.GOV]
Sent: Thursday, November 06, 2003 3:50 PM
To: Greenhill, Maggie H.
Subject: RE: Congo

Yes, this is correct. Natalie

-----Original Message-----

From: Greenhill, Maggie H. [mailto:Maggie_H._Greenhill@who.eop.gov]
Sent: Thursday, November 06, 2003 3:22 PM
To: chagnonnl@state.gov
Subject: Congo

Hello Natalie,

Would you confirm this address for me?

His Excellency
Joseph Kabila
President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
Kinshasa

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you Natalie!

-Maggie

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Battenfield Patricia A.

From: Paschall, Richard C [PaschallRC@state.sgov.gov]
Sent: Thursday, November 06, 2003 11:14 AM
To: Battenfield Patricia A.; Fellows, Naomi C; @African Affairs
Subject: RE: CLEARANCE REQUEST: Press Statement Taskings- Burundi [UNCLASSIFIED, Record]



2003-11-06 DRC
Meeting with S....

// SBU //

Pat-

Sorry - here it is -

Carl

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Country Desk Officer - Burundi and the Democratic Republic of the Congo Office of Central
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[mailto:battenfp@nsc.sgov.gov]
Sent: Thursday, November 06, 2003 10:52 AM
To: Fellows, Naomi C; @African Affairs
Cc: Paschall, Richard C
Subject: RE: CLEARANCE REQUEST: Press Statement
Taskings- Burundi [UNCLASSIFIED, Record]

Carl, Don Teitelbaum clears.

We still haven't seen the Congo item you said was coming.

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From: Fellows, Naomi C [mailto:FellowsNC@state.sgov.gov]
Sent: Thursday, November 06, 2003 10:05 AM
To: @African Affairs
Cc: Paschall, Richard C
Subject: CLEARANCE REQUEST: Press Statement Taskings-

Burundi

Importance: High

> Could someone please clear on the attached Press Statement on the
> Pretoria Protocols signed between the Gov't of Burundi and the
> CNDD-FDD rebels (press guidance issued Monday was not
used.)

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> Post has specifically requested that this statement be issued.

> Please send clearances to Carl Paschall as I will be out
of the office

> for the morning.

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> Thanks,
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From: Battenfield, Patricia A. (AFRICA)
Sent: Tuesday, October 21, 2003 9:49 AM
To: @Press Office
Cc: @African Affairs; @International Economic Affairs; @Democ; @COMBATING TERRORISM
Subject: Draft SBTPS on Visit of President Kabila of Democratic Republic of the Congo
[UNCLASSIFIED, Record]

Attached is a proposed Statement by the Press Secretary announcing the visit of President Kabila of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. State, @democ, @intecon, and @oct have cleared. We would like the statement released this week, sooner rather than later -- but no rush.



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THE WHITE HOUSE

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STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

President Bush to Meet with Congolese President Joseph Kabila

President Bush will welcome President Joseph Kabila of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the White House on Wednesday, November 5, 2003. President Bush looks forward to discussing issues affecting the common interests of the United States and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, particularly the successes of President Kabila's transition government, regional stability, emergency relief, trade and development, HIV/AIDS, and the global war on terrorism.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear Senator Biden:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the President's trip to Africa. On behalf of the President, let me update you on the trip and it's aftermath. It was a wonderful experience and opportunity to advance our Africa policy priorities to combat HIV/AIDS, expand trade, and promote regional stability.

We are pleased that a Government of National Unity was installed in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). The Administration supported Secretary General Annan's recommendation to increase the troop ceiling and provide a stronger mandate for the United Nations Mission in the DRC (MONUC). We will continue to work with all parties, including Presidents Museveni and Kagame, to end the fighting in Ituri and the Kivus. Sustained peace will require revitalizing the economy, and we hope you will support fully funding our budget request to relieve Congo's debt burden. The Congolese government has been granted multilateral debt relief under the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries (HIPC) Initiative. Funding our budget request is critical for the United States, as the lead creditor, to meet our obligations to implement the HIPC debt relief.

We also welcome your support for our Liberia policy. Now that Charles Taylor has departed Liberia, we will continue working with the United Nations and the leaders of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) in their efforts to put in place an inclusive transitional government. The United States' military mission is limited in objectives and duration. U.S. forces will facilitate the flow of humanitarian assistance and assist ECOWAS peacekeepers. We expect the United Nations to take responsibility for the peacekeeping operation to stabilize Liberia and help secure the new transitional government's position.

Africa is a land of tremendous promise. We look forward to working with you in a bipartisan fashion to extend health, freedom, and prosperity to the African continent.

Sincerely,

Condoleezza Rice
Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr.
United States Senate
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WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6225

June 30, 2003

The President
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Mr. President:

Your upcoming trip to Africa sends a positive signal to Africans and the world that Africa matters, and that the U.S. government cares at the highest level about what happens to those living on the continent. I commend you for going.

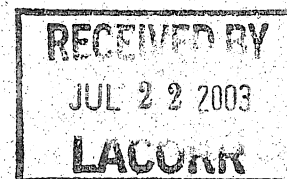
I write regarding the situations in Liberia and Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). I agree wholeheartedly that the paramount goal in our partnership with Africa must be, as you said in your remarks before the Corporate Council on Africa on June 26, "to help establish peace and security across the continent." I believe that we have an opportunity to do so in these two countries.

Earlier this month, I wrote to urge you to take all appropriate actions to fully support the Interim Emergency Multinational Force authorized by United Nations Security Council Resolution 1484. I also expressed my belief that any follow-on force must have the ability to protect UN personnel, humanitarian workers and innocent civilians from attack.

I understand that France has circulated a draft Security Council resolution which would allow Secretary General Kofi Annan to increase the troop ceiling for the United Nations Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo (MONUC) from 8,700 to 10,800. This increase would allow the deployment of 3,800 peacekeepers to Ituri, in keeping with the recommendations made by the Secretary General in his May 27 report to the Security Council concerning MONUC. I am told that the United States asked for a 30-day extension of the current mandate to allow time to consider whether or not to support the new proposal.

On June 26, Reuters News quoted Ambassador John Negroponte as saying that, "The Congo is just too large a country to be able to hope or think that a large foreign intervention can make that much of a difference over the long-term." This statement could be interpreted to mean that the United States is unwilling to support steps that may be needed to prevent genocide in Ituri province.

Such unwillingness would be a grave mistake, and I urge that you not merely support, but lead efforts in the Security Council to avoid further bloodshed in eastern DRC. Failure to act could result in a tragic repeat of the international community's failure to respond to genocide in Rwanda.



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The President
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In addition to our multilateral efforts, I believe that we must continue to reach out to regional actors who have been involved in the war in DRC. I hope that while you are in Uganda, you will enlist President Yoweri Museveni's assistance in ensuring that ethnic militias are neither armed nor supplied through Uganda, nor aided by any agents operating from Ugandan territory. Although you are not scheduled to travel to Rwanda, a phone call to President Paul Kagame while you are in the region, asking that he stop all support for rebels in eastern DRC, could also have a positive effect.

We must also avoid a repeat of history in Liberia. You have rightly called for Charles Taylor to step down. To help avoid renewed fighting, however we need to do three more things: provide financial and in-kind contributions to support the deployment of the joint verification team and stabilization force called for in the cease-fire agreement reached in Accra, Ghana on June 17 between rebels and the Liberian government; send a representative to serve on the joint verification team without further delay; and seriously consider sending U.S. military personnel to participate in the stabilization force. Without troop contributions from the United States, such a force is unlikely to be effective.

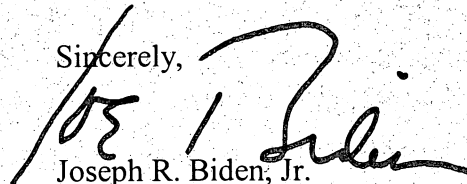
It is essential that the United States show strong and committed leadership to our allies as the international community helps implement the Accra agreement. I am confident that if we do so, they will assist us where possible.

Should the cease-fire resume, we will have a window of opportunity to cement peace – a peace that will have a positive ripple-effect throughout west Africa – in a country that has been racked by war for over a decade.

As you have stated, “this nation is fully engaged in a broad, concerted effort to help Africans find peace, to fight disease, to build prosperity, and to improve their own lives.” With your leadership and tangible U.S. contributions, this effort could transform the region.

I look forward to working with you on this effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Biden", written over the word "Sincerely,".

Joseph R. Biden, Jr.
Ranking Minority Member

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Subject: FW: DRC background for Zoellick [UNCLASSIFIED, Non-Record]

Importance: High

Bobby, please send to Zoellick.

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From: Battenfield, Patricia A. (AFRICA)
Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 4:18 PM
To: Frazer, Jendayi E. (AFRICA)
Cc: Courville, Cindy L. (AFRICA)
Subject: DRC background for Zoellick [UNCLASSIFIED, Non-Record]

Jendayi, for your okay -- need to send to Connie Hamilton ASAP for Zoellick -- thanks!



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From: Joshi, M. Kay (EXECSEC)
Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2003 3:11 PM
To: @WHSR
Cc: @Records Management; @EXECSEC; @African Affairs
Subject: Pkg 5937 -- Cable of Ltr to Pres Kabila [UNCLASSIFIED, Record]

The President signed the letter in the subject package. Please transmit the attached cable as soon as possible. Thanks.



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FROM: THE WHITE HOUSE
TO: AMEMBASSY KINSHASA
INFO: SECSTATE WASHDC

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SUBJECT: MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT KABILA

1. AMBASSADOR OR DCM: PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT BUSH TO PRESIDENT KABILA AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY. SIGNED ORIGINAL TO FOLLOW.

2. BEGIN TEXT.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER CONCERNING THE PEACE PROCESS IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (DRC). I WELCOME THE RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE INSTALLATION OF THE NEW TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT. THE ARRIVAL OF THE FORMER REBEL LEADERS IN KINSHASA AND THEIR PARTICIPATION WITH FORMER OPPOSITION PARTIES IN THE NEW GOVERNMENT ARE MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS THAT SET THE COUNTRY ON A COURSE TOWARD PEACE AND DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS.

I COMMEND YOUR EFFORTS TO OVERCOME THE REMAINING OBSTACLES TO THE MILITARY INTEGRATION OF THE THREE FORMER REBEL ARMED FORCES AND TO COMPLETE THE TRANSITION WITHIN THE AGREED-UPON 2-YEAR PERIOD. I AM AWARE THAT THE SITUATION IN EASTERN CONGO REMAINS VOLATILE. IT IS VITAL THAT ALL PARTIES PUT AN END TO THE TRANSFER OF ARMS TO CONGOLESE MILITIAS IN EASTERN DRC.

THE CONGOLESE PEOPLE DESERVE PEACE AND PROSPERITY, AND YOUR LEADERSHIP IS CRITICAL TO A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR THE PEOPLE OF CONGO AND THE GREAT LAKES REGION.

SINCERELY,
GEORGE W. BUSH

END TEXT

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Dallas, Texas)

For Immediate Release

July 18, 2003

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

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Inauguration of the Transitional Government

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The United States will work closely with President Kabila and the transitional government to promote peace, prosperity, and democracy for all Congolese. I call upon neighboring countries to join us in supporting Congo's new government during this crucial time.

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From: Battenfield, Patricia A. (AFRICA)
Sent: Friday, July 18, 2003 2:32 PM
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attached is a proposed Statement by the President on the Inauguration of the Transitional Government in the Democratic Republic of the Congo -- @democ and @speech have cleared -- Jendayi would like the statement issued as soon as possible -- many thanks!



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Battenfield Patricia A.

From: Paschall, Richard C [PaschallRC@state.sgov.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 18, 2003 9:49 AM
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Cc: Battenfield Patricia A.
Subject: CLEARANCE: REVISED PRESS GUIDANCE FOR DRC
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07-17-2003 DROC
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// SBU //

Attached is revised press guidance for the DRC incorporating NSC feedback on the draft circulated yesterday, and adding an "if asked" re: news reports that the new ministers are refusing to take the oath of office as currently written.

Please advise clearance on this new guidance...thanks!

ALSO - please note that the White House will be issuing a statement on the new gov't in Kinshasa, and we are holding off on the statement cleared with most of you yesterday.

Thanks!

Carl
<<07-17-2003 DROC Guidance-TransGov.doc>>
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AF PRESS GUIDANCE

Democratic Republic of the Congo: **Inauguration of the Transitional Government**

July 16, 2003

Key Points

- The United States welcomes the inauguration of the Transitional Government in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The Vice Presidents of the new government were sworn in during a ceremony on July 17.
- The inauguration of the Transitional Government is a vital step in unifying the Democratic Republic of the Congo, ending five years of war, and starting the country on a democratic path. The United States strongly supports the Transitional Government.
- It is critical that the members of the government work collectively and collaboratively, and states in the region act cooperatively, to bring peace and stability to the people of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and to others in the Great Lakes region who have been severely affected by conflict.
- **IF ASKED - MINISTERS REFUSE OATH OF OFFICE:** We understand that the various parties are negotiating the text of the oath of office for the ministers and expect that this issue will be resolved soon.

IF ASKED - MONUC:

- We are working closely with members of the Security Council studying the expansion of MONUC, including a more robust capacity under Chapter VII of the UN charter for the force to be deployed in Ituri and the Kivus.
- The draft Resolution will ensure MONUC has the troops strength and robust mandate to support the nascent peace process emerging in Ituri region after the French led Multinational Force (MNF) departs in September by allowing addition of two battalions to allow a continued stabilizing international presence in Ituri and to provide support for the ongoing political process under the direction of the Ituri Pacification Committee. It also, importantly, gives MONUC the same broad Chapter VII mandate for use of force as the MNF.
- On July 11 we notified Congress of our intent to support a resolution expanding MONUC, and enhancing capabilities in Ituri and the Kivus. By law, there is a 15 day period following notification for Congressional comment.

IF ASKED - CONTINUED VIOLENCE:

- We have seen the reports of continued fighting between Hema and Lendu militias near Bunia.
- We repeat our call for all parties in the Congolese conflict to refrain from further violence, to work together to make the Transitional Government successful, and the move forward

Drafted: AF/C - Richard "Carl" Paschall - ext 7-4966

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Groupe Initiateur du Plan pour la Paix et la Démocratisation en République Démocratique du Congo (ex-Zaïre)

*Initiator Group for Peace and Democratization in the
Democratic Republic of the Congo (ex-Zaïre)*

Norman (OK),
June 7, 2003

CD /0130/ 2003.

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Excellence
Mr. George W. Bush
President of the United States
The White House

Washington, DC 20502

Excellence
President of the United States,

Partenaires Etrangers
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While you were travelling for a tremendous mission, I was pleased to send an e-mail on June 4, 2003 to sincerely wish you a very special welcome back and to make some comments from Yahoo.france published by the principal French Agency, Agence France Presse. Because the French opinion was attentive about your trip in France, it was important to us to know what the French public has read. This was my motivation. The basic argumentation is that your mission was appreciated.

Membres
Members

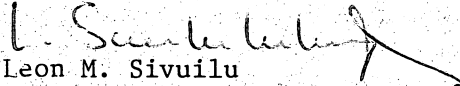
For all you are doing to improve the living conditions of the people of the world politically, economically and socially, please Excellence, I want once again to express my personal and strong commitment to sustain your actions in any conditions and wherever I may be.

Furthermore, I want to seize this opportunity to send you the translation in English of a June 3rd, 2003 GIPDC's declaration written in French and launched to the population of my country face to the incapacity of Congolese political actors to implement the Pretoria Agreements.

From the bottom of my conscience, and with my prayers, I thank you.

God bless you and the country you are serving.

Very respectfully,


Leon M. Sivuulu

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Groupe Initiateur du Plan pour la Paix et la Démocratisation en République Démocratique du Congo (ex-Zaïre)

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D O C U M E N T

CD/0128/2003 : GIPDC Declaration to the people of the Congo
to denounce the Congolese negotiators' incapacity
to set up transitional requirements, according to
Pretoria Agreements signed by themselves.

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Mrs. Yomo K. Sylvie-Canada

Subject : English translation of the Declaration written in French
on June 3rd, 2003.

FROM THE HEAD COMMITTEE OF THE INITIATOR GROUP ESTABLISHED IN THE UNITED
STATES, AN IMPORTANT DECLARATION TO THE PEOPLE OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
OF THE CONGO.

(The Declaration was written after the May 2003 GIPDC large
Committee Meeting).

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Dear Parents and Compatriots,

Partenaires Etrangers
Foreign Partners

GIPDC is your Group of pressure created in December 2000 in the United States working exclusively for the benefit of the people of the Congo to restore peace and democracy in our country. Because of the failure, several times, of talks that could not bring different Congolese representatives to make the peace according to the Lusaka Agreements, the Initiator Group for peace and democratization in the Congo has published in January 2001 an "alternative plan" to bring in easy way peace and democracy in the country insisting on the necessity to get the peace deal through a frank talk between all representatives of the Congolese people.

Membres
Members

For both the success of the dialogue and the reconciliation, the GIPDC plan has underlined the principle of "non exclusion" that should characterize the gathering including former top seniors of Popular Movement of Revolution (MPR) whose dictator Mobutu was the founder and incarnator. In this gathering, precised the plan, church representatives should also be represented. Even though the plan has not very largely been distributed, but the Group is pleased to recognize that its preoccupations have reached international high circles including the Vatican II administration. From the time we launched the plan until now, your Group is still working hard for the liberation of the Congolese people trying to push for the advancement of the peace and democratization process.

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The time of truth has come, and the Initiator Group decides to rise its voice by declaring that the transitional administration to come will be working on the basis of truth principles, respect and love of others. We are calling the Congolese people's attention to let them know that the way we can help our country to be recovered is to prevail the good work instead of supporting political ideologies.

Considering all mentioned above :

1. The Group notices with satisfaction the theoretical success of negotiations and asks all negotiators to abandon their sterile quarrels and to very quickly make a significant step to materialize the Pretoria Agreements. Also, the Group is asking them to adopt a rational judgement by seizing this precious moment in maximizing all opportunities for the unique interest of the country.
2. Courage, intelligence and pragmatism are among of important characters of state responsible people. The Group estimates that the installation of transitional institutions cannot be delayed. Therefore, they are urging negotiators to use their courage, intelligence and pragmatism to transcend their views. It is important to indicate that our country was prosperous in 60s, but because of mismanagement its economy drastically dropped and, nowadays, the Congo is ranked among very poor countries of the world. According to some reliable statistics, our country has an economic backwardness of 100 years comparing with some African nations.
3. The Group is disappointed about the waste of a lot of time that occasioned an opposition to progress and engendered a tremendous loss of human lives who might have been saved if political negotiators had a real courage and willingness to start the transition. On the other hand, the Group condemns the fact that the current administration, which is disqualified several weeks ago, continues mismanaging tactics by using state fund for futility purposes weakening more and more a devastated economy.
4. The Group reminds the opinion that the country will accomplish 43 years of independence on June 30, 2003. Considering the country's economic depravation, the Group is asking Congolese negotiators to do all they can to make working the transitional government on June 15. This will allow the new national union team to be in state businesses during this circumstance.
5. Considering this important and historical event, the Initiator Group calls the entire population to a calm and prayers. At the same time, the Head Committee of the Group is launching a severe and energetic appeal to all negotiators that the Congolese people will not tolerate anymore the suspension of negotiations. In the case of a deliberate action that stops the process and drops people's hope, the Group whose top seniors are established in the United States will, on behalf of the people, be ready to engage contacts in order to find a possible "political alternative" that should be the best to positively respond to many urgent needs of the population face to the negotiators' incapacity to share state responsibilities.



May God bless and protect our country.

Very patriotically,

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REFUGEES INTERNATIONAL

June 26, 2003

President George W. Bush
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Mr. President:

Your trip to Senegal, South Africa, Botswana, Uganda and Nigeria in July will give you a chance to promote the spread of peace and prosperity across the African continent. Many African nations have the potential for stronger economic and security ties with the United States, but peace is a precondition for such progress. The U.S. must work harder to resolve Africa's many wars.

The conflict in the Congo has provoked one of the world's worst humanitarian disasters. The future of millions of people depends on ending this war. President Mbeki of South Africa has demonstrated, with great dedication, the leadership needed for the Inter-Congolese Dialogue, which is one component of the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement.

Refugees International urges you to take two key steps that will help end the fighting:

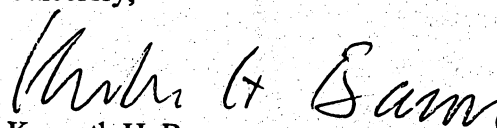
--Work with African leaders to pressure President Kabila of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, President Kagame of Rwanda and President Museveni of Uganda to cease all support of armed groups now fighting in Eastern Congo.

--Warn that the U.S. will no longer support countries that sustain conflicts with money and soldiers in Africa. The human costs of these wars far outweigh the benefits of U.S. foreign and military aid.

The renewed fighting in Liberia is also a concern. Despite an agreed upon ceasefire and the indictment of President Charles Taylor for war crimes, the fighting in and around Monrovia continues, killing civilians and displacing thousands from their homes. Liberia is at a critical juncture. In your discussions, *RI* recommends that you urge the African leaders to exert pressure on Charles Taylor to step down as president and to press the warring parties to honor the recent ceasefire agreement. We also call upon you to state your support for a regional or international peacekeeping force in Liberia, when there is a peace to keep.

Refugees International continues to urge the Administration to support UN peacekeeping efforts in the DRC. Even if Presidents Kagame, Kabila and Museveni implement the peace agreements they have signed, only a dramatically strengthened UN peacekeeping force with a stronger mandate will be able to consolidate the peace.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ken H. Bacon", written in a cursive style.

Kenneth H. Bacon
President

cc: Secretary of State Colin Powell
National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice

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Dear Doctor Rice:

As the attached letter points out, President Bush's Africa trip is
a real opportunity to promote peace,

Sincerely,

Kenneth H. Bacon