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**- DAILY SITREP -**

**Political Activity  
26 November 1995**

✓ The SRSG attended a military briefing at UNAMIR Headquarters. Later, he held a meeting with Mr. Hasegawa, Resident Representative of UNDP, on Post conflict Peace Building Support for Rwanda. Finally, the SRSG held a meeting with Mr. Bruno Nponda, the UNESCO representative, and discussed matters concerning UNAMIR Radio.

DAILY SITREP  
24 NOVEMBER 1995  
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

The SRSG held a press briefing today at which he stated that the visit of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR), Judge Richard Goldstone, proved highly successful, as he had been able to announce that the first indictments would be issued around 3 December 1995. The SRSG indicated that the ICTR had the full backing of the Rwandan Government and that even Kenya now favours the trials.

On the Prisons issue, the SRSG observed that, to date, 4 307 prisoners had been transferred to the Nsinda detention centre. He indicated that the reason for the delay in this regard is not a question of political will. The prisoners themselves often do not want to leave their home prefectures. Nevertheless, in the coming week about 5 000 will have been transferred from over-crowded prisons to the new detention centres.

On the subject of UNAMIR's mandate, the SRSG stated that UNAMIR's phasing out schedule will start taking effect on 8 December 1995.

DAILY SITREP  
22 NOVEMBER 1995  
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

On 21 November at the Hotel des Mille Collines in Kigali, the Rwandan Prime Minister, Mr Pierre Célestin RWIGEMA, opened three-day Thematic Consultations on Repatriation, Rehabilitation and Social Reintegration of Rwandan refugees in neighbouring countries. The participants included several senior Rwandan Government figures as well as all Ambassadors to Rwanda and other prominent members of the diplomatic corps. The SRSG participated in the Consultations, at which he was invited to make an opening address, on which occasion he conveyed to the meeting the Secretary-General Mr Boutros Boutros-Ghali's support and wishes for success in achieving its objectives. The SRSG also emphasized the need for an improvement in regional relationships in order to encourage the return of the refugees. He called for the pursuit of sustainable development through effective cooperation between the Government, the UN agencies and the donor community, as the best way to achieve national reconciliation and recovery.

**- DAILY SITREP -**

**Political Activity  
15 November 1995**

The SRSG attended a meeting on prisons at the UNDP and reviewed general conditions of the detention centres as well as discussed ways and means to rapidly expand the detention capacity of the prisons in Rwanda. The chairman of the Prisons Commission, Mr. Claude Dusaidi, was also present in the meeting.

20 is my ~~Adviser~~ Later, the SRSG held a meeting with the members of the United Nations Assistance Group and reviewed progress achieved in connection with tasks accomplished by UAAG and future requests to be considered in this regard.

Radio Rwanda reported that Rwandese citizens based in Goma, Zaire, and Rwanda refugees who were returning home were seriously beaten, some imprisoned, while others had their properties looted by Zaireans.

**DAILY SITREP  
13 NOVEMBER 1995  
POLITICAL ACTIVITY**

The SRSG met the Rwandan Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Anastase Gasana, and discussed matters concerning the future mandate of UNAMIR as well as the holding of the Great Lakes' Regional Conference on Security, Stability and Development.

According to Radio Rwanda, a new national association, namely the SOCES, has been formed to examine important economic problems facing the country.

DAILY SITREP  
9 NOVEMBER 1995  
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

The SRSG participated in a meeting between the Vice-President of Rwanda and the members of the International Commission of Inquiry to discuss matters concerning the mandate of the Commission. Mopping up operations on Iwawa Island by the RPA were also discussed.

According to Radio Rwanda, Norway's annual financial assistance to Rwanda, totalling 3 billion Rwanda francs next year, will be channelled through UN Agencies and NGOs.

**DAILY SITREP  
8 NOVEMBER 1995  
POLITICAL ACTIVITY**

The SRSG attended the Heads of Agency meeting at the UNDP conference room. Among other things that were discussed were the recommendations of the Conference on Genocide, more particularly the rôle and responsibilities of the International Community in addressing the post-genocide situation.

The SRSG held a meeting with the U.S. Ambassador and discussed the over-all situation in Rwanda and matters concerning UNAMIR's mandate.

On the arrival of the International Commission of Inquiry at Kigali International Airport, its Chairman, Ambassador Mahmoud Kassem, issued a press statement outlining the mandate of the International Commission as being:- to collect information and investigate reports relating to the sale and supply of arms to former Rwandan government forces in the Great Lakes region, to investigate allegations of military training of such forces, to identify the parties involved and to recommend measures to end the illegal flow of arms into the sub-region in violation of Security Council resolutions.



**- DAILY SITREP -**

**Political Activity**

**7 November 1995**

The SRSG held a meeting with the Rwandese Government officials on the mandate and discussed issues of mutual concern.

In the afternoon, the visiting Norwegian delegation met with the SRSG and discussed matters concerning the refugees, rehabilitation of the judicial system, future mandate of UNAMIR as well as international assistance to Rwanda.

Later, the SRSG gave a briefing to Heads of Missions and Agencies on the current developments and situation with regard to the future mandate of UNAMIR.

According to Radio Rwanda report of Tuesday, 7 November, the Rwandese Press celebrated the African Information Day and recalled the role played by the media in preparing and implementing the genocide. The Press resolved to shun disseminating ethnic hatred and treat journalism objectively, to build a new Rwanda.

DAILY SITREP  
6 NOVEMBER 1995  
POLITICAL ACTIVITY

The SRSG gave a briefing on Monday, 6 November 1995, to the visiting members of the United Nations Association of the U.S.A. on the over-all situation in Rwanda, with particular reference to reconciliation and the repatriation of Rwandan refugees from neighbouring countries. Reconstruction of the judicial system in Rwanda was also discussed.

Later in the day, the SRSG attended a meeting of the European Union and U.S. Ambassadors to Rwanda to review the deliberations and conclusions of the International Conference on Genocide that ended on 5 November 1995.

Radio Rwanda reported that, in his closing address to the Conference, the President of Rwanda H.E. Mr Pasteur Bizimungu, announced that a permanent secretariat would be established to follow-up the work of the conference. He stated that genocide is an international crime which must be fought by the international community.

In a Radio Rwanda interview, the Minister of Justice, Mrs Marthe Mukamurenzi, said that she welcomed the recommendation that special tribunals, or special chambers, should be instituted in the courts to deal with genocide cases as a way to accelerate the dispensation of Justice.

**- DAILY SITREP -**

**Political Activity  
5 November 1995**

The SRSG attended the Conference on Genocide that concluded its deliberations on November, 5. Numerous recommendations were adopted that ranged from taking measures to retain the memory of genocide to rebuilding the judicial system, elevating the economic and social plight of the survivors of genocide, defining the role of the international community in mitigating the effects of genocide and ensuring that this crime against humanity is not repeated in the future.

**DAILY SITREP**

**1 NOVEMBER**

**POLITICAL ACTIVITY**

1. The SRSG accompanied the Prime Minister of Rwanda during his visit to the sites reserved for the resettlement of the refugees on the outskirts of Kigali. The Prime Minister appreciated UNAMIR's role in providing necessary assistance in the development of those sites. The Minister for Public Works, a UNDP representative and a representative of HABITAT also accompanied the Prime Minister.

2. The SRSG participated in the opening ceremony of the Conference on Genocide that was inaugurated by the President of Rwanda. This Conference would conclude on 5 November 1995.

3. The SRSG attended the meeting between UNAMIR and the Rwandese Government representatives on the UNAMIR Mandate and discussed matters of bilateral concern.