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1. (U) RWANDAN RADIO REPORTED VISIT 11/16 OF A BURUNDI GOVERNMENT DELEGATION CONDUCTED BY MINISTER OF INFORMATION NGENDAHAYO. THE DELEGATION MET WITH PRESIDENT HABYARIMANA, PRIME MINISTER UWILINGIYIMANA, PRIME MINISTER-DESIGNATE TWAGIRAMUNGU, AND FOREIGN MINISTER GASANA. THE REPORT SAID THE DELEGATION CAME TO THANK THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT FOR ITS SUPPORT

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DURING THE RECENT CRISIS.

- 2. (C) MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TOLD AMBASSADOR EVENING OF 11/16 THAT THE BURUNDI DELEGATION HAD MADE TWO REQUESTS OF THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT. FIRST, IT ASKED THAT THE GOVERNMENT NOT/NOT ENCOURAGE PALIPEHUTU ACTIVITY IN RWANDA. SECOND, IT ASKED THAT THE TWO BURUNDI MINISTERS (HEALTH AND JUSTICE) BE PERMITTED TO REMAIN BASED IN RWANDA AS LONG AS NECESSARY. THE REASONING WAS THAT, SHOULD THE MINISTERS INSIDE BURUNDI BE KILLED, AT LEAST THERE WOULD BE A PART OF THE GOVERNMENT TO CARRY ON. THE MINISTER LEFT AMBASSADOR WITH THE IMPRESSION THAT THE GOR RESPONSE TO BOTH REQUESTS WAS POSITIVE.
- 3. (C) THE BURUNDI MINISTER OF HEALTH IS STILL TRAVELING OUTSIDE RWANDA TO PRESENT THE BURUNDI GOVERNMENT'S CASE TO VARIOUS INTERLOCUTORS. THE RWANDAN CHIEF OF PROTOCOL TOLD THE DCM THAT THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT IS FOOTING THE BILL FOR THIS TRIP.
- 4. (C) THE MINISTER OF LABOR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS, CONFIDENTIAL

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WHO HANDLES REFUGEE INFLUXES, TOLD DCM THERE IS NO
DOUBT THAT THE PALIPEHUTU ARE RECRUITING AND
CONDUCTING TRAINING IN THE REFUGEE CAMPS. HE CITED
BUGARAMA (JUST SOUTH OF CYANGUGU), BUGASERA (SOUTH OF
KIGALI), AND ANOTHER AREA WHERE SUCH RECRUITMENT AND
TRAINING ARE ALLEGEDLY OCCURING. THE FRENCH
AMBASSADOR TOLD DCM THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE ADMITTED
TO RECEIVING PALIPEHUTU REPRESENTATIVES BUT SAID HE
TOLD THEM THE GOR COULD NOT HELP.

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