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MEMORANDUM

TO: Ambassador Walker
FROM: POL - Robert T. Gren *B*
SUBJECT: Security Council informals on Rwanda, 3:30, Tuesday, April 12

BACKGROUND

Today's Security Council informals will continue the discussion on UNAMIR's future. Early reports are that while A/SYG Riza views UNAMIR's future as "very bleak," the Secretariat is not yet ready to offer concrete options or recommendations at today's meeting. Meanwhile, other states, notably Belgium, have expressed strong interest in withdrawing their contingents while the airport is still secure and before Rwanda (potentially) returns to chaos.

Washington has decided to support a Security Council decision to authorize the withdrawal of UNAMIR, and the hope is that the Secretariat will request the Security Council to authorize the withdrawal of UNAMIR. The following talking points originated in Washington.

If possible, you should inform the Secretariat by phone of our position prior to the consultations (see separate e-mailed instructions).

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