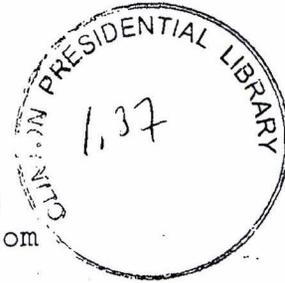


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Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

Taskings from 8/9 Meeting:

-- The interagency working group chaired by the Rwanda-Burundi
Coordinator will ensure swift implementation of taskings from the
August 9 Ad Hoc Group meeting. (C)

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Refugee Repatriation:

-- USUN will work to assure swift passage of a UN Security Council statement demanding a halt to Zaire's forced repatriation of refugees, while acknowledging the substantial burdens borne by asylum countries in Central Africa. (U)

-- State will issue a press release condemning forced repatriation. (U)

-- State will contact Kengo and Mobutu to make clear to Zairian leaders the risks inherent in forced repatriation and the negative ramifications for Zaire's international standing. State will also stress we have no indications of any offensive military build-up by the Rwandan government across the border and our intention to continue urging the GOR to exercise restraint. (C)

-- USUN will ask Boutros-Ghali to telephone Mobutu to encourage him to walk Zaire back from the brink. (C)

-- State will urge Belgium and France to take actions similar to our own. (C)

-- The Administration will pursue the policy steps outlined in Rwanda paper agreed in this meeting. Specifically, these steps include but are not limited to: encouraging the GOR to grant broad amnesty and create a climate conducive to safe refugee repatriation; pressing UNHCR to encourage refugee return and announce within six months the closure of existing refugee camps and movement of any remaining camps away from the borders in Zaire, Burundi and Tanzania; pressuring the GOR to improve prison conditions; and considering enlisting help from Mobutu. (C)

Joseph Nye Trip:

-- The interagency working group will generate options for providing material assistance to an All-African military force for potential deployment to Burundi. (C)

Humanitarian Assistance:

NSC, OMB and State/PRM will identify options for use of remaining FY 95 refugee/humanitarian funds for the Rwanda crisis area with the aim of making funds available to support the regional refugee population. (U)

Burundi:

-- NSC will bring together a group of experts to flesh out a notional political framework for resolution of the crisis in

Burundi. The framework would serve as the starting point for discussions with our allies and countries in the region in preparation for a regional conference. Separate groups will generate options for international support for a peace settlement, should one occur, as well as the costs and funding sources for such support. State will produce a paper on these issues by Monday (August 28) in preparation for Principals-level consideration of whether the USG should lead pursuit of a long-term strategy to resolve the crisis in Burundi. ~~(S)~~

-- The U.S. will not move forward on a UNSC resolution imposing an arms embargo on Burundi as this time. However, NSC and State will collaborate on a paper due Monday (August 28) on alternatives for freezing the assets of Burundi extremists. ~~(S)~~

Next Meeting:

-- The Ad Hoc group may reconvene after Labor Day to discuss outstanding issues. (U)