Transcript Annex I

Conference Agenda

Sunday, June 1

Dinner
  • Informal discussion.

Monday, June 2: Failure to Prevent

9:30 am – 12:30 pm: Working Session 1
  • Background to Arusha, e.g. Mitterrand’s La Baule speech, June 6, 1990; introduction of multi-party system; RPF invasion of October 1, 1990
  • Political negotiations (July 1992-January 1993)
  • Massacres of Tutsi and RPF offensive of February 8, 1993
  • Military negotiations in Arusha, signing of Arusha agreements, August 1993
  • Conversation between “Peacemakers” and “Peacekeepers”

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm: Working Session 2
  • UNSC vote to authorize peacekeeping mission in Rwanda, October 5, 1993
  • Assassination of Burundi president Melchior Ndadaye (October 21, 1993) and the arrival of UNAMIR in Kigali
  • Jean-Pierre warning, January 10, 1994
  • Belgian call for a strengthening of UNAMIR, February 25, 1994
  • Shoot down of Habyarimana plane, killing of Belgian peacekeepers, and beginning of the genocide, April 6-11, 1994

Tuesday, June 3: Failure to Prevent

9:30 am – 12:30 pm: Working Session 3
“Inside the UN Security Council, April –July 1994”
  • What did we know and when did we know it?
  • The UNAMIR withdrawal decision, April 11-21, 1994
  • Debating the “G-word”, April 21-May 5, 1994
  • Ending the genocide, May 15-July 18, 1994
  • Operation Turquoise and the victory of the RPF
  • Unresolved mysteries and controversies

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm: Working Session 4
“Lessons from Rwanda”
Conference Participants
(Unless otherwise stated, positions are those held in 1990-1994)

- **Major-General Henry Anyidoho**, Deputy UNAMIR Force commander
- **Michael Barnett**, Political Officer at US Mission to United Nations
- **Jean-Christophe Belliard**, French observer in Arusha, currently director of African Affairs at the French Foreign Ministry
- **Dr. Jean Damascène Bizimana**, Rwandan senator, 2014
- **Dr. Jean-Hervé Bradol**, Médecins sans Frontières representative in Rwanda
- **Colette Braeckman**, Africa specialist for Belgian newspaper Le Soir
- **Prudence Bushnell**, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs in the US State Department
- **Jean-Philippe Ceppi**, reporter for Libération and Swiss radio
- **Lieutenant-General Roméo Dallaire**, UNAMIR Force Commander
- **Jean-Marc Rochereau de La Sabliere**, director of Africa Bureau at French foreign ministry
- **Dr. James Gasana**, Minister of Defense of Rwanda, 1992-1993
- **André Guichaoua**, French sociologist and author
- **Lord David Hannay**, UK permanent representative on the UN Security Council.
- **Faustin Kagamé**, communications advisor to Rwandan President Paul Kagame, 2014
- **Colin Keating**, New Zealand representative on the UN Security Council, and President of the Council in April 1994
- **Karel Kovanda**, Czech representative on the UN Security Council, and President of the Council in January 1994
- **Joyce Leader**, Deputy Chief of Mission at the US Embassy in Kigali
- **Patrick Mazimhaka**, Vice-Chairman of the Rwandan Patriotic Front
- **Linda Melvern**, British investigative journalist and author
- **Edward Mortimer**, Chief Program Advisor to the Salzburg Global Seminar 2014
- **Ami Mpunge**, Tanzanian facilitator to the Arusha peace process
- **Monique Mujawamariya**, Rwandan human rights activist
- **Charles Murigande**, Washington representative of the Rwandan Patriotic Front
- **Jean-Marie Vianney Ndagijimana**, Rwandan ambassador to Paris
- **Bacre Ndiaye**, Special UN Rapporteur
- **Venuste Nshimiyimana**, UNAMIR press office.
- **Ahmedou Ould Abdallah**, Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General in Burundi
- **Filip Reyntjens**, Belgian scholar and author
- **Iqbal Riza**, Assistant Secretary-General in the Department of Peacekeeping Operations at the UN
- **David Scheffer**, senior advisor to US Representative to the UN, Madeleine Albright
- **John Shattuck**, Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor
- **Johan Swinnen**, Belgian ambassador to Rwanda
- **Hubert Védrine**, Secretary-General of the French presidency

**Conference Staff**

- **Michael Abramowitz**, Director of the Levine Institute for Holocaust Studies, US Holocaust Memorial Museum
- **Mark Bailey**, Special Assistant to the President at The Hague Institute for Global Justice
- **Tom Blanton**, Director of the National Security Archive
- **Michael Dobbs**, Senior Advisor to the Simon-Skjodt Center for the Prevention of Genocide at the US Holocaust Memorial Museum
- **Nadia Ficara**, Director of Donor Travel Programs and the VIP Speakers Bureau at the US Holocaust Memorial Museum
- **Cameron Hudson**, Director of the Simon-Skjodt Center for the Prevention of Genocide at the US Holocaust Memorial Museum
- **Marie-Laure Poiré**, Manager for Events and Communications at The Hague Institute for Global Justice
- **Kristin Scalzo**, Research Assistant at the Simon-Skjodt Center for the Prevention of Genocide at the US Holocaust Memorial Museum
- **Emily Willard**, Research Associate at the National Security Archive
- **Abiodun Williams**, President of The Hague Institute for Global Justice