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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ANTHONY LAKE
SUBJECT: Rwanda: Daily Report

Situation in Goma

-- **Water** production and distribution was up again today to 100,000 gallons per day. Trucks for distribution of water remain in short supply, but more vehicles are due to arrive in the region on the weekend. Additional water production units should arrive Thursday, but we are still far from the overall objective of 3.4 million gallons per day.

-- **Aircraft sorties** are up, but the runway capacity at Goma continues to be a limiting factor. We are awaiting the recommendation of the Kigali survey team before making a final decision on opening that airport to the relief effort. Aviation fuel in theater may also become a problem. Rapid turn-around of aircraft at forward bases requires forward deployed fuel and therefore additional aircraft and fuel bladders. EUCOM is working on this problem.

-- **Additional Water Supplies** will also start arriving by ship on Saturday in Mombassa, Kenya. These supplies include water purification equipment, water pipes, tanker trucks and general purpose trucks. This equipment will then either be trucked or, possibly, helicopter-lifted to Goma and elsewhere to avoid taking up valuable runway space.

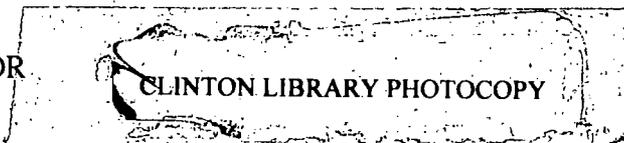
U.S. Deployment

-- **925 U.S. Special Forces Troops** will begin arriving in Goma over the weekend to provide medical, communications and other support as well as to help control refugee flows.

-- **A full U.S. Engineering Battalion** should begin arriving on Friday with bulldozers and other heavy equipment to assist with burials.

Efforts to Galvanize Support for UNHCR's 8 Requirements

Following your letter last weekend, we have continued to press in foreign capitals for contributions to fulfill UNHCR's other 4 requirements-- those that the U.S. is not addressing. UNHCR is holding a pledging and coordination meeting in Geneva on Friday.



Political Efforts

Assistant Secretary George Moose will travel with Secretary Perry to Zaire and then continue on to Kigali to meet with representatives of the new government. He will stress four themes:

- The importance of government support for the humanitarian relief effort;
- The need to expand the government's political base to ensure that it is adequately representative;
- The need to respect the rule of law and refrain from reprisals against adversaries;
- The importance of creating a secure and stable environment for the return of refugees.

The NGO Briefing

-- **Thursday's briefing for NGOs was a great success.** Shali's presentation was excellent. He was applauded by the NGOs. They also had some good ideas about better coordination, encouraging the UN to do more, etc. We will continue the dialogue here and with the UN in New York.

-- **The NGOs went out to the press afterward and praised our effort.** Even Lionel Rosenblatt who has been a frequent critic expressed his support for our efforts. With some breathing space from some of our critics, we should now have time to produce even more results.

-- Given the response to Shali's briefing, we plan to replicate it tomorrow in the White House Press Room.