

The Admiral
President's Chief of Staff

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to the attention of the President of the Republic
(care of the Secretary General)

S U B J E C T: RWANDA – Situation update.

The situation is calm in the interior, but the Tutsi incursions continue along the northern border from Ugandan territory.

Despite President HABYARIMANA's uneasiness, the French ministers involved believe that the French company stationed in KIGALI can definitely be withdrawn in mid-January. We will then maintain a company on a twelve-hour alert in BANGUI.

The Minister of Cooperation is simultaneously granting three posts for military advisors, one of them permanent.

It could still seem desirable for you to address a letter to President HABYARIMANA to assure him of your support, despite the withdrawal of our forces.

In addition, if support from UGANDA for the Tutsi forces is confirmed, a new firm approach to President MUSEVENI could dissipate any ambiguity about our desire to promote a peaceful and negotiated solution to this conflict.

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