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LETTER DATED 8 AUGUST 1994 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF FRANCE TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have been instructed by my authorities to remind you of the position of France with respect to travel by members of the Rwandan Government or Administration in the zone in which the operation authorized by the Security Council in its resolution 929 (1994) of 22 June 1994 has been deployed.

The Rwandan authorities are by definition sovereign throughout the entire territory of Rwanda, in this zone as anywhere else in the country. In the humanitarian protected zone, we are, of course, prepared to facilitate their arrival. In order to ensure the best conditions possible for such travel, the Rwandan authorities may have recourse to the close protection of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda (UNAMIR) and, if necessary, may be accompanied by representatives of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. In keeping with its mandate, Operation Turquoise is prepared to ensure overall security in the zone, thereby providing its support during such visits.

In this context, we believe that it is only to their advantage that such government missions travel to areas where Operation Turquoise has been deployed, and several administrators appointed by the Government of Kigali have already done so.

I should be grateful if you would bring this information to the attention of the members of the Security Council by having this letter circulated as an official document of the Council.

(Signed) Hervé LADSOUS
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