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EM's suggestion enclosed.
Two FMC at UNHQ only
for this event. *Handwritten initials*
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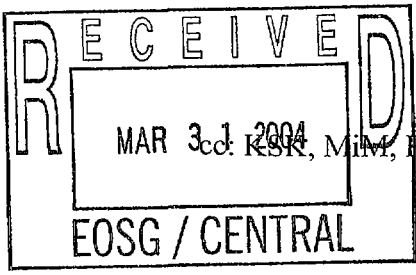
Note to the Secretary-General
(through Mr. Riza)
Ref: meeting on Rwanda, 26 March

Dear SG,

1. As you may be aware, the governments of Canada and Rwanda have asked you to be the "lead" speaker at a conference which they are jointly hosting at UNHQ on 26 March, with a view to generating press interest in coverage of the issues raised by the tenth anniversary of the Rwandan genocide.
2. We had been treating this as simply one of a number of events leading up to 7 April (the international day of reflection on the genocide, as decided by the GA), and accordingly DPA had suggested that Mr. Gambari could represent the UN.
3. On closer examination, however, it is clear that the two governments attach considerable importance to this event, which will be co-chaired by their foreign ministers, and in particular to your presence at it. I believe the Canadian PR may have spoken to you personally about this.
4. At present, you are due to leave New York for Tunis (via Paris) on the evening of 26 March. If that arrangement is confirmed, I strongly recommend that you agree to attend the beginning of the conference and make a short opening statement.
5. If it turns out that you have to leave New York sooner than that, my sense is that the hosts of the conference would prefer to be able to show a short video message from you, rather than have you represented by the DSG or another official.
6. You are due to record three video messages on 16 March. One of these is for an event on 4-7 May, and therefore could presumably be recorded in April if necessary.
7. May I suggest, therefore, that – unless you are able within the next few days to confirm that you will attend the 26 March event in person – you postpone recording the May video message until April, and record a short one on the lessons of the Rwanda genocide instead?
8. Please advise.

Yours sincerely,
EM

Edward Mortimer
10 March 2004



EM
Many thanks, - KP and SIR
are sorting out my travel
plans. At the moment it
looks as if I shall be ^{here} on the 26th.
In that case I shall attend the
Rwanda meeting. *Handwritten initials*

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