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NOTE TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL



Top US actors to film Rwanda movie in South Africa

UNIC Pretoria has forwarded the attached clipping from the Sunday Times, 11 January, describing the film project "Hotel Rwanda", a movie set against the backdrop of the Rwandan genocide.

The article quotes the director of the film, Terry George, as saying "Rwanda was Africa's Holocaust and most people have no idea what really happened there...I also plan to expose how the United Nations simply castrated the UN troops on the ground. Nick Nolte plays the UN commander whose force could have halted the conflict in the first month, but he was ordered by the UN not to do anything and it escalated into the fastest genocide in modern history. I want the audience to see that and to feel the shame of it".

I hapt you hard be more -

Shashi Tharoor 16 January 2004

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