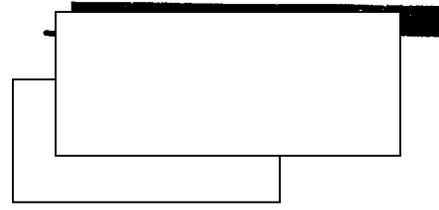




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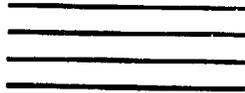
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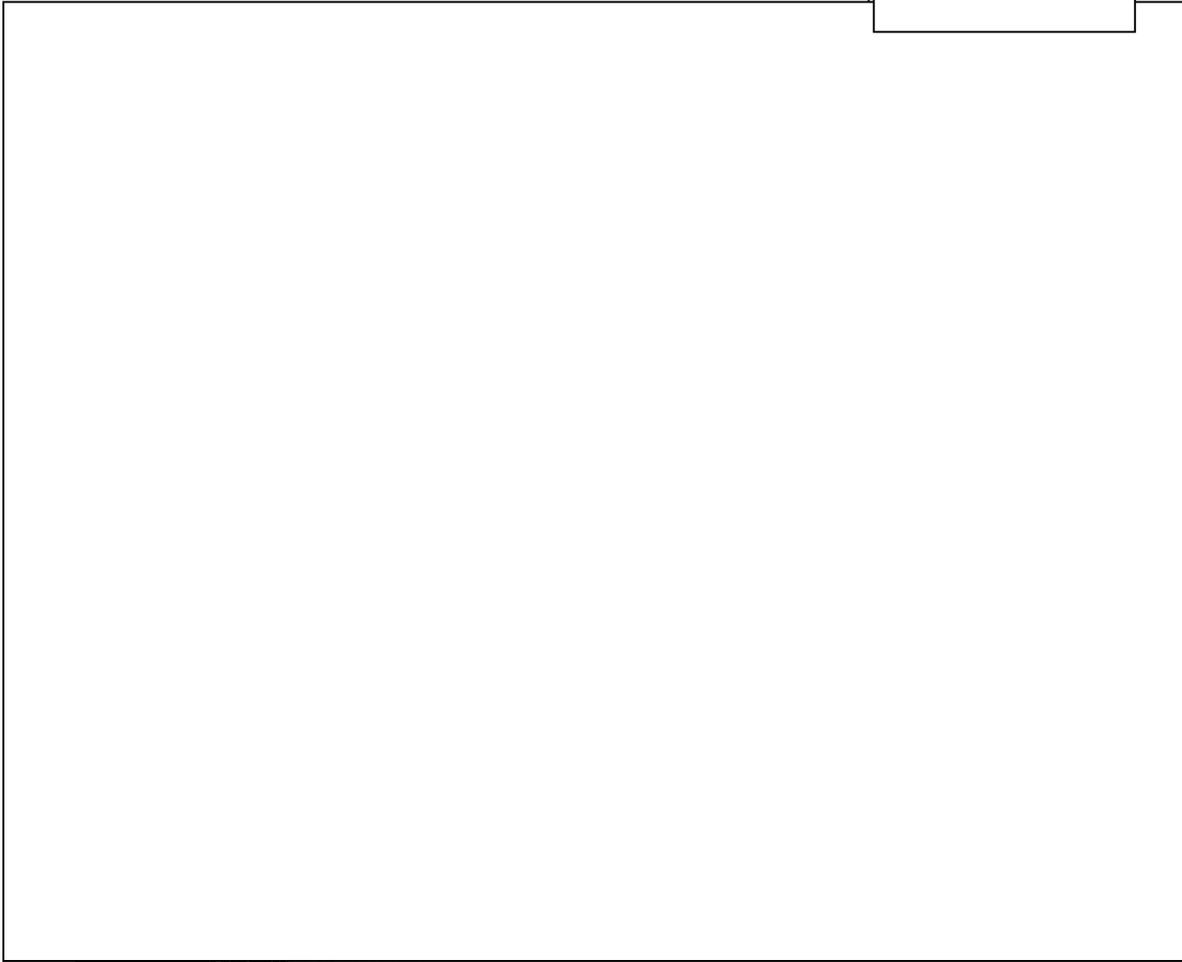
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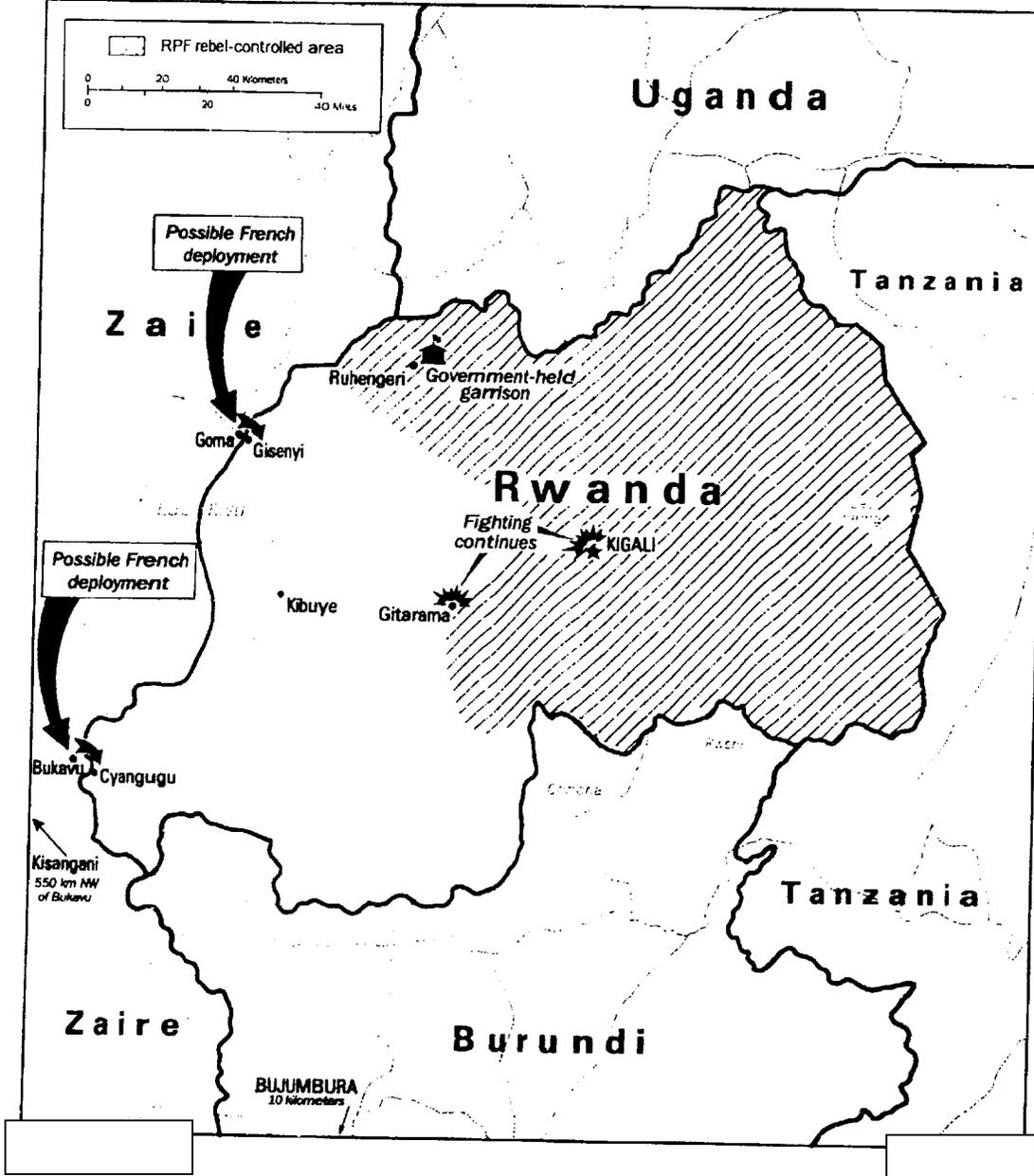


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Rwanda: Preparing Forces for Intervention

The French military has begun to augment its forces in Africa and to establish a command center and two base camps in eastern Zaire near the Rwandan border. French officers in the Central African Republic told [redacted] [redacted] that they are ready to go.

— The French have moved additional transport and combat aircraft into the Central African Republic and Senegal. [redacted]

France's European allies refrained from endorsing intervention at the Western European Union meeting yesterday, opting to wait until the UN Security Council votes on the French resolution. [redacted] Six countries offered to provide limited logistic support for the operation. [redacted]

Safehavens created by French troops would likely attract large numbers of people and severely stress the resources of already overextended international relief agencies. French forces probably will first reach Gisenyi, a traditional Hutu area where press reports say nearly all Tutsis were killed early in the crisis.

— *Relief agencies will have to bring food to this area from Uganda through rebel-controlled areas in northern Rwanda where security has been slowly deteriorating or through Zaire where logistic problems are already constraining deliveries to more than 100,000 Rwandan and Burundian refugees.* [redacted]

In the southwest, possibly tens of thousands of Tutsi refugees are in scattered camps around Cyangugu, where they are in danger from the surrounding Hutu population, according to the Red Cross. *Supply through Burundi would complicate ongoing international feeding efforts for more than 1 million refugees and displaced persons in Burundi.*

— *Burundi Tutsis, who view the French deployment as favoring the Rwandan Hutu government, could disrupt supplies to French safehavens or lash out against Burundi Hutus.* [redacted]

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