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PRESS RELEASE

THE SUPPORT COMMITTEE CALLS UPON ITS STRUCTURES TO REMAIN MOBILIZED AND REDOUBLE ENERGY.

On September 25th and 26th, 2010 a meeting of the coordinating team of the Support Committee for UDF-INKINGI was held in Brussels, Belgium, to evaluate its activities since its inception on April 3rd, 2010 and to redefine the course of its support to UDF- INKINGI in the aftermath of the presidential elections that took place on August 9th, 2010.

1 - The Support Committee welcomes the results achieved by its mobilization activities within the Rwandan diaspora and its contribution in countering the regime's false propagandas within the international opinion and spreading the truth about the Rwandan tragedy and the current socio-political situation in Rwanda.

2 - The Support Committee calls upon its organic and functional structures to remain mobilized and redouble energy to thwart the deadly plans of the regime against fighters for democracy both inside and outside the country.

3 - The presence of UDF-INKINGI in Rwanda has undoubtedly opened a new chapter in the political history of our country and the party UDF-INKINGI is among the main architects and actors of political change in Rwanda.

The Support Committee commends the achievements of the Interim Executive Committee within 9 months of effective presence of UDF-INKINGI in Rwanda:

- Owing to such an act of courage by their Chairperson, Mrs. Victoire Ingabire Umuhiza, who dared to go to defy the Rwanda's dictator on his territory and under his own rules, UDF-INKINGI have broken the chains of fear and restored hope to the Rwandan people.

- The refusal to register UDF-INKINGI as a legal political party, the endless harassment and intimidation, imprisonment of leaders and members of UDF-INKINGI and of other opposition parties, the indictment of the party's Chairperson in order to prevent her from presenting her candidacy for the last presidential elections on August 9th, attempts to muzzle the independent press, the refusal to open up the political space, assassinations of political opponents and critical journalists have laid bare the Kagame regime. Today, the whole world knows and acknowledges the undemocratic and criminal nature of the totalitarian regime in Kigali.

- For the first time in 16 years, a national resistance movement is emerging. The movement refuses any discrimination, and therefore dismisses the old ethnic stereotypes and myths alleging that, under Kagame's leadership, Rwanda might have become a paradise on earth. Faced with this resistance and very appropriately, the RPF and its army are imploding. To the best possible manner, such a situation contradicts mind sets among supporters of the regime, which for various and diverse interests had simplified the Rwandan problem into one of evil Hutu against good Tutsi. The misfortune of Rwanda and the Rwandan people was at that time that of not having sufficiently been assisted by the international community in order to consolidate democratic institutions, preferring to leave the fate of the entire nation into the hands of two Hutu and Tutsi extremisms that are equally voracious and co-responsible for genocide and crimes against humanity. Today, the world finally knows that there are hutu criminals against humanity and innocent tutsi victims, it also knows that there are tutsi criminals against humanity and innocent hutu victims.

4 - The Support Committee for UDF-INKINGI urges the Interim Executive Committee of UDF-INKINGI not to give in to intimidations and to continue efforts to register the party, to get ready for the upcoming elections, including elections at the local levels as well as Senate elections, scheduled for 2011.

5 - The meeting also welcomed the leaked draft report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the very serious crimes, war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide committed by the Rwandan Patriotic Army in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

The Support Committee reiterates its position as formulated in its letter to UN Secretary-General dated August 30th, 2010 and urges the international community not to give in to blackmail and not shirk its international obligations to prosecute genocide and crimes against humanity and therefore to establish an international criminal tribunal for the Democratic Republic of Congo. The committee deplores the maneuvers undertaken by supporters of the Kigali regime to water down the original version of the report in order to protect Kagame and his regime for unmentionable reasons. Genocide, crimes against humanity and victims are

not negotiable. Kagame and his clique must absolutely answer for their crimes in a court setting.

6 - The Support Committee calls upon the people of Rwanda to stand up and join hands to save the country from the clutches of genocidaires and to demand that justice be done for their loved ones, regardless of their affiliation.

Done in Brussels on September 28th, 2010

For the Support Committee for UDF-INKINGI

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