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H.E. Mr. Tijjani Muhammad-Bande
President the General Assembly
United Nations
New York

Excellency,

In accordance with General Assembly decision 74/544 of 27 March 2020 entitled “Procedure for taking decisions of the General Assembly during the Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic”, and with the step-by-step process adopted on 6 April by the General Committee, on behalf of the Government of Rwanda, I have the honour to submit herewith draft resolution A/74/L.40 entitled “International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda”, to be considered under agenda item 64(b) “New Partnership for Africa’s Development: progress in implementation and international support: Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa”.

As you are aware, the draft resolution was scheduled to be considered for action in late March before the commemoration of the International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda on 7th April that had to be postponed due to the extraordinary circumstances and disruption caused by COVID-19, including on the programme of work of the United Nations General Assembly. Given the uncertainty that these disruptions would have eased before the end of the 100 days period of Commemoration, I kindly request that you circulate the attached draft resolution to all Member States under a silence procedure of 72 hours, for its consensual adoption. The draft resolution is available on the e-deleGATE portal.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Valentine Rugwabiza
Ambassador and Permanent Representative