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**Official communiqué of the 5042nd (closed) meeting
of the Security Council****Held in private at Headquarters, New York, on Thursday,
23 September 2004, at 3.30 p.m.**

In accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the following communiqué was issued through the Secretary-General in place of a verbatim record:

“At its 5042nd meeting, held in private on 23 September 2004, the Security Council considered the item entitled ‘The situation in Burundi’.

“His Excellency Mr. Domitien Ndayizeye, the distinguished President of the Republic of Burundi, was invited, in response to his request, to participate in the discussion, in accordance with rule 37 of the Council’s provisional rules of procedure.

“The Security Council heard a briefing by His Excellency Mr. Domitien Ndayizeye.

“Members of the Council and President Ndayizeye had a constructive exchange of views.”