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RNS SIX- POINT PLAN

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The Six-Point Plan first and foremost calls upon the international community to convene an international conference on Zaire so as to discuss and legitimize the six points contained in the Plan. The Plan makes specific reference to the governments of the United States of America, Russia, China, Canada, France, Belgium, South Africa, Great Britain, Germany, and Japan, the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity (OAU) to bring together all the major players on the Zairian political scene (individuals, organizations, businesses, and governments) to develop the framework for a peaceful and lasting solution in Zaire, and to secure the commitment of all the parties and safeguard the implementation of the agreements.

The Six-Point Plan is briefly outlined as follows:

1. Mr. Mobutu Sese Seko must step down. The transition from dictatorship to a democratic society will start with the departure of Mr. Mobutu from the Zairian political scene.
2. The Zairian semi-transitional semi-permanent Parliament (the HCR-PT) should elect a president for the transition period.
3. Our fellow countrymen who are now fighting in the East of Zaire to topple Mr. Mobutu will then be asked to lay down their arms and to participate in a real government of national reconciliation. This government which will be headed by a competent person who also enjoys the trust of the people, should contain a sizable number of people who did not participate in the ruin of the country. The primary mandate of this government will be to organize within nine to twelve

months, free and fair elections under the supervision of the United Nations and other international and public interest organizations. Local elections should take place two to three months before regional and legislative elections which could be held one or two months before the presidential elections.

4. Mobutu's two infamous private militia, the DSP (the Special Presidential Division) and the Civil Guard, should be disbanded. A police force must be created and a plan to restructure the Zairian armed forces must be adopted.

5. A United Nations peace-keeping force should be sent in to ensure the implementation of the accord. This multilateral force could stay in Zaire for a maximum of twelve to fifteen months.

6. The HCRPT should be asked to pass a law for a general amnesty with regard to the Zairian experience over the last four decades. This will allow Mr. Mobutu and his cronies not to feel threatened by this plan. Thus Mr. Mobutu and his cronies will be allowed to keep all the wealth they have acquired off the back of the people of Zaire and go to enjoy themselves wherever they choose. It will be up to them to apologize to the people, if they have any remorse whatsoever for the destruction of the country and the unbearable suffering they have imposed on the people of Zaire.

The most important thing now is to ask the people of Zaire for the mandate to rebuild a dynamic, vibrant, and open society out of the ashes of the Mobutu era. Secondly, as Dr. Kalala maintains "nowhere in history have those who destroyed a nation work for its reconstruction, and Zaire will be no exception."

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