

MILITARY HEARING
WITH THE WAR COUNCIL
OF BRUSSELS

PRO JUSTITIA 137

The year nineteen ninety four

on 13 April at 08.45 hours

Before us, M. Peeraer, 1st substitute for the military auditor, acting in the capacity of an officer of the legal police, appears:

Name PASUCH Christian names MASSIMO

Born in Kinshasa (Z) On 03 August 1949

Resident at: 6 Avenue de la Diligence 1300 Wavre (Limal)

Profession Doctor Anaesthetist

Grade, military capacity, unit

Lt Col active doctor (Anaesthetist) CTMB Rwanda

No. 12594 on the Roll

Who, on questioning, stated in French as follows:

I am fully in agreement with the statements of Doctor Daubresse (surgeon).

I would like to point out the following in addition:

- 1) immediately after the explosion of the aircraft, I contacted, via the CTL radio network, the permanent radio sub officer, while Dr Daubresse contacted for his part the PC of the Kigat battalion.
 - 2) I actively advised, while awaiting orders, the two doctors visiting with me not to move given the speed of the Rwandan [illeg]
 - 3) Lt Col Dewez[?] contacted me quickly by telephone to state that at their level there were two hypotheses:
 - a) explosion of a depot at Kanombe
 - b) an aircraft accident.
- I replied to him that he could ignore the first hypothesis.
- He then confirmed the decision to keep the two specialist doctors {??} IBAT in my residence.
- 4) The Italian consul telephoned me immediately to confirm the events
 - 5) The following day was passed establishing communications and taking care of the essential relays for the CTM, hemmed in at Nyarutarama and without a telephone.
 - 6) The next day, Lt Col Dewez indicated the need to confront an urgent medical situation, that made the presence of the 2 KIBAT doctors vital outside Kanombe. The Command {illeg} the mobile of the French parachutists at Kanombe, served for us as intermediary with the Rwandan commander of the parachutists. This latter escorted our doctors quite amicably as far as Don Bosco, helped by his parachutists section, the same as for the French parachutists at Kanombe.
 - 7) The shots [illeg] and automatic weapons never stopped in the surroundings of my house from the East, coming from the North and going to the south. The wife of a French sub officer then contacted us in panic, confirming the looting and massacres in that zone. The rumour ran that the Belgians were responsible for the assassination of the President. We were then escorted outside

of the camp by the same French and the same Rwandans up to Company Alpha at the airport,
with my wife and two children [illeg]
Signature

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8) Additional remark: the day following the assassination, a Belgian from Gysenyi, on holiday in Butare, called Thierry JOSEPH, teaching at the Belgian School in Gysenyi, telephoned us to inform us that already the French expatriates in Butare had learnt from the French ambassador that the event was being made the responsibility of the Belgians.

The same evening as the assassination, the Rwandan chief adjutant medical assistant anaesthetist, Clement MWONGEREZA, telephoned me, at my home, to inform me of the accident. For the rest I have nothing further to state on this matter

Having read, signed with us

13/4/94 signature

Dr [illeg]