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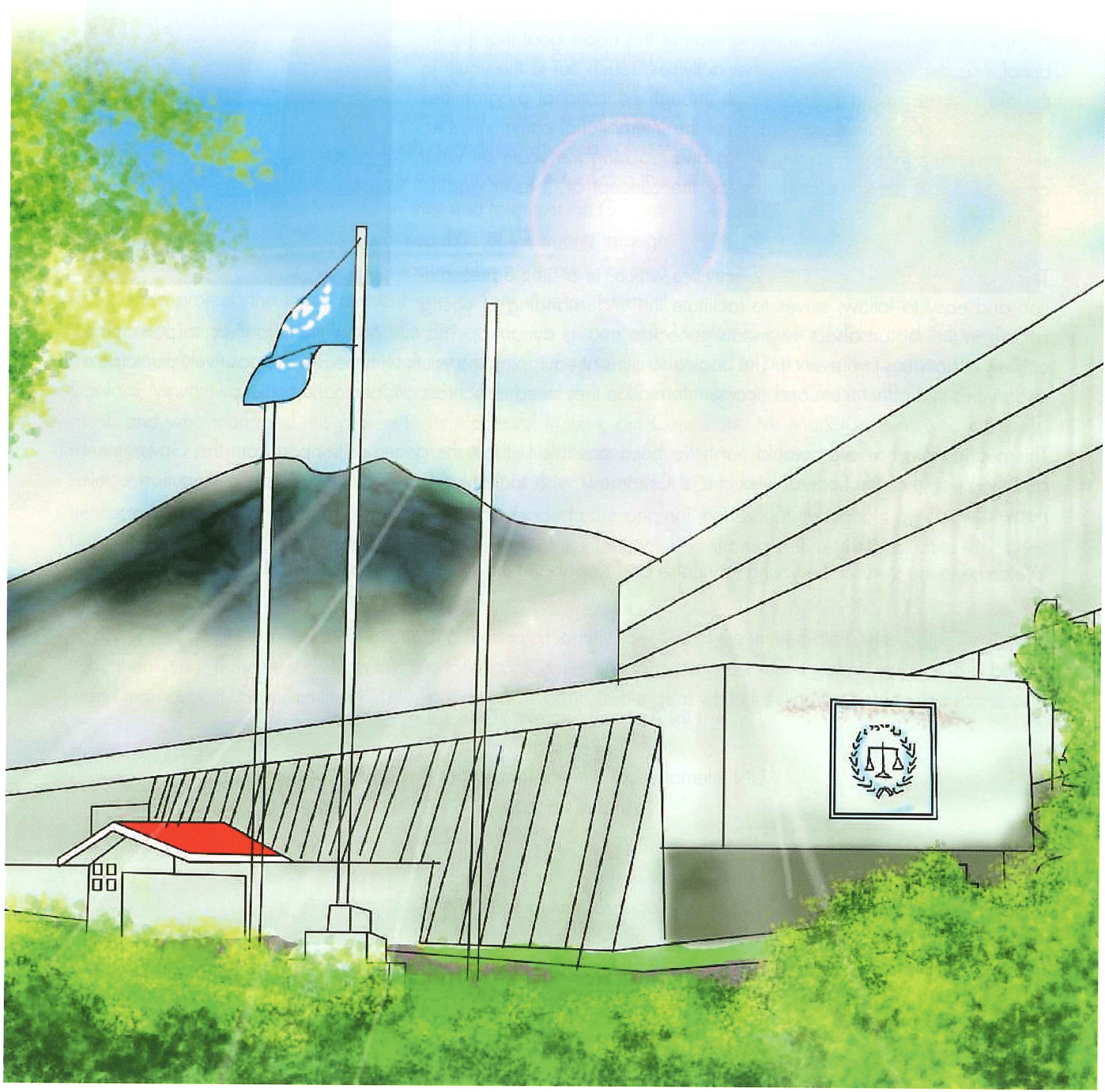
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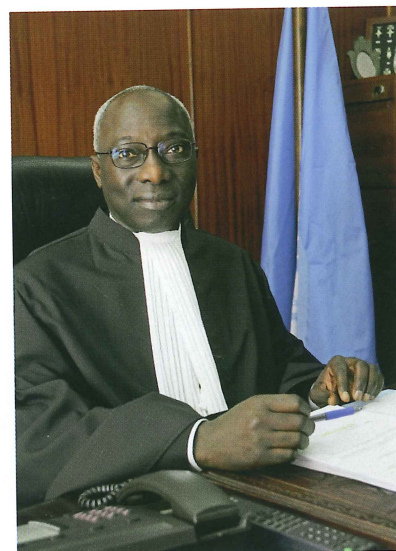
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Welcoming Note

Apart from its core mission of prosecuting persons responsible for genocide and other serious violations of international humanitarian law committed in the territory of Rwanda between 1 January 1994 and 31 December 1994, the UN International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda was also mandated by the UN Security Council to contribute to the process of national reconciliation in Rwanda and to the maintenance of peace in the region. It is in recognition of this noble goal that the Tribunal, has decided, to among other activities, reach out to the youth in the region and raise their awareness through educational programmes on genocide prevention. This is part of the international community's resolve to ensure that through informing and teaching the youth on what genocide is, its causes and dynamics, the concept of "Never Again" becomes a reality.



This Cartoon Book is one of those activities which, in a simple presentation and easy to follow, strives to facilitate the understanding of young people in the region about Rwandan genocide and its dynamics. This will hopefully help them to participate actively in activities to prevent it. The book also aims at equipping the youth with the drive to positively participate in activities that affect them and access information they need to act responsibly in the society.

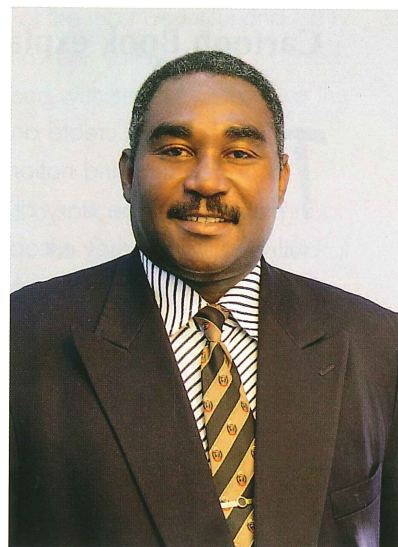
This publication, however, would not have been possible without the generous support from the Government and the people of the Federal Republic of German. I wish to thank them for this invaluable contribution to this noble cause.

Welcome to the story of the young Françoise and Kagabo in the "Land of a Thousand Hills" in the year 1994.

Adama Dieng
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Registrar
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Arusha, Tanzania

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To all, on behalf of the External Relations and Strategic Planning Section of the Immediate Office of the Registrar, I say thank you. If the lessons from this Cartoon book contribute to making our future generation live in a better world than ours, it will mean that ICTR will have achieved its noble goal while fulfilling its multifaceted mandate.

Thank you again.

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ICTR Spokesperson

Note d' intention

Cartoon Book explaining the 1994 Rwanda genocide for children

The goal is to create an illustrated narrative that will convey the events of the genocide at both personal and national levels to children eight years of age and above. The narrative is anchored in the story of Francoise and Kagabo, two young children who are respectively Hutu and Tutsi as they escape the genocide but are both eventually orphaned. Between sections of their story, descriptions of some events around the country are also given.

Within this document, the text is broken up into paragraphs, where each paragraph supports a separate illustration. There is also a glossary explaining the Characters and names of the localities where actions have taken place during the genocide. The glossary also explains some events to shed light on the 1994 genocide atrocities.



Hundred Days... in the Land of the Thousand Hills the Genocide Told to our Children

Once upon a time, there was a wonderful country, which is one of the most beautiful and richly endowed by nature, somewhere between green hills and flowery valleys, well watered, perpetually by the rain, bathed by uncountable lakes and haloed with sun. It is known as the Country of the Thousand Hills.

Quiet and peaceful, it was a harbor of peace for its inhabitants and a sanctuary for the neighboring populations despite some episodic troubles in the borders with the Democratic Republic of Congo and Uganda. Everything was always quiet and beautiful. The people there, like the nature, were beautiful and pleasant. But one morning in April, something terrible happens to the Land of a Thousand Hills. The sky darkens and clouds of smoke rise up from the hills.

The horror will take a hundred days to end, a hundred of the most horrible days in the history of the continent. The country of the thousand hills will sink into apocalypse. The pity will leave Rwanda. The laughter will be kept silent. The smiles will freeze. The shouts of horror will replace the songs of the women and the children.

There are no sanctuaries anymore. Armed groups called the Interahamwes which have been hidden and ignored for a long time now make their appearance armed with machetes, clubs, arrows, swords and guns. They erect road blocks in the main streets. They surround all the major buildings. The Interahamwe are joined by civilians in their hunting. The confusion is total, and no place is safe.

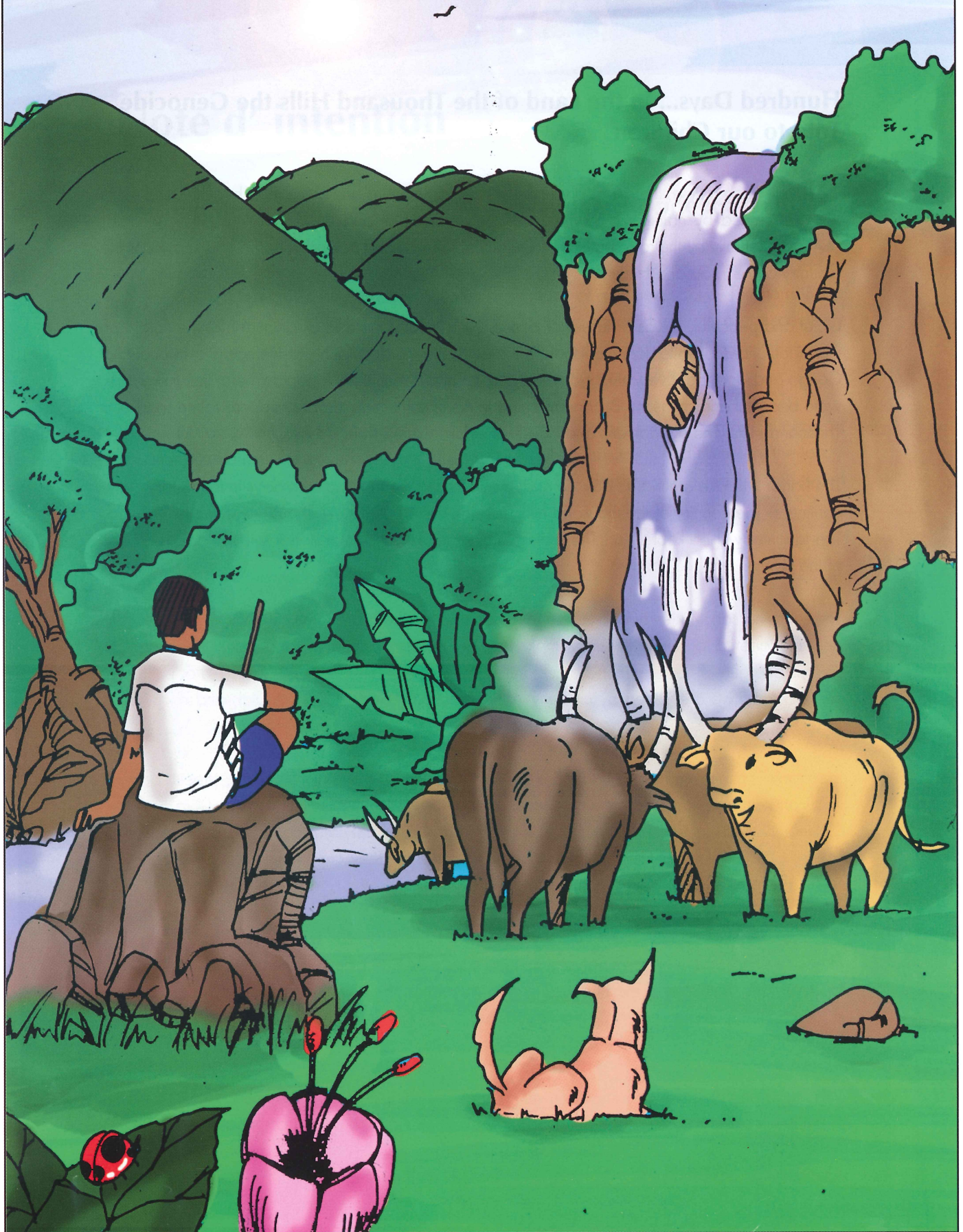
In schools, hospitals, houses and offices the hunting of the Tutsis starts. Stadiums, streets, banana fields and churches across the country become mass graves. At the Radio Television Libre des Mille Collines, lists of names are made. The Radio begins to broadcast names and addresses as well as license plate numbers of the cars of the people to be killed. Their children, their spouses and their relatives are killed too; no one is saved.

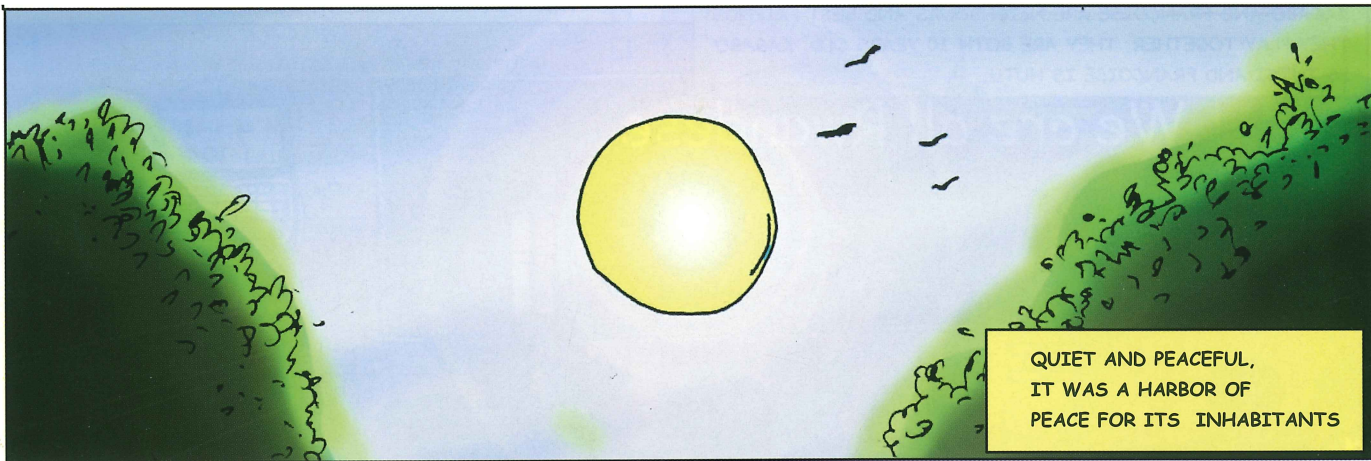
Vehicles full of armed men roam the capital with the men shouting, "let's kill the Tutsi." In this total chaos one man, the only non-Rwandese man to have sided with the Hutus is distinguishing himself. He is the one in charge of reading the inflammatory notes. He is the one going on the radio every day to patiently and unstoppably read the names of the enemies. He exhorts the Interahamwes to 'work,' to liquidate the 'inyenzi' (cockroaches).

Wearing banana leaves, the Interahamwes assisted by some Hutu civilians check identity cards in the numerous road blocks raised in the capital and in all the roads of the countryside.

Also in the heart of the system are some civilians and high ranking militaries led by a young newly appointed Prime Minister in the interim Government. Among them is a small number of women and influential journalists from various Media.

ONCE UPON A TIME THERE WAS A WONDERFUL COUNTRY, ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL AND RICHLY ENDOWED BY NATURE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN GREEN HILLS AND FLOWERY VALLEYS, WELL WATERED, BATHED BY UNCOUNTABLE LAKES AND HALOED WITH SUN. IT IS KNOWN AS THE COUNTRY OF THE THOUSAND HILLS.



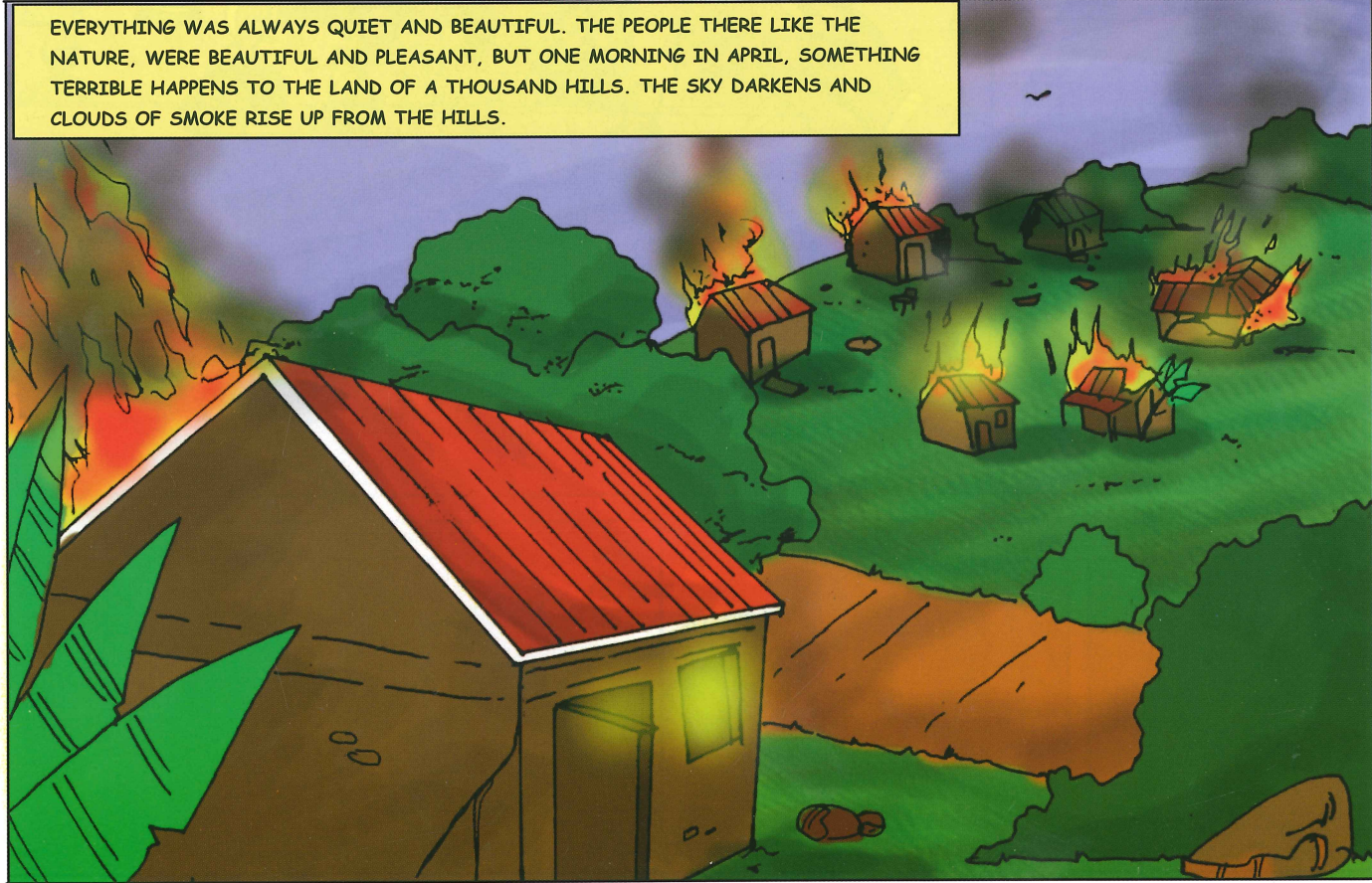


QUIET AND PEACEFUL,
IT WAS A HARBOR OF
PEACE FOR ITS INHABITANTS

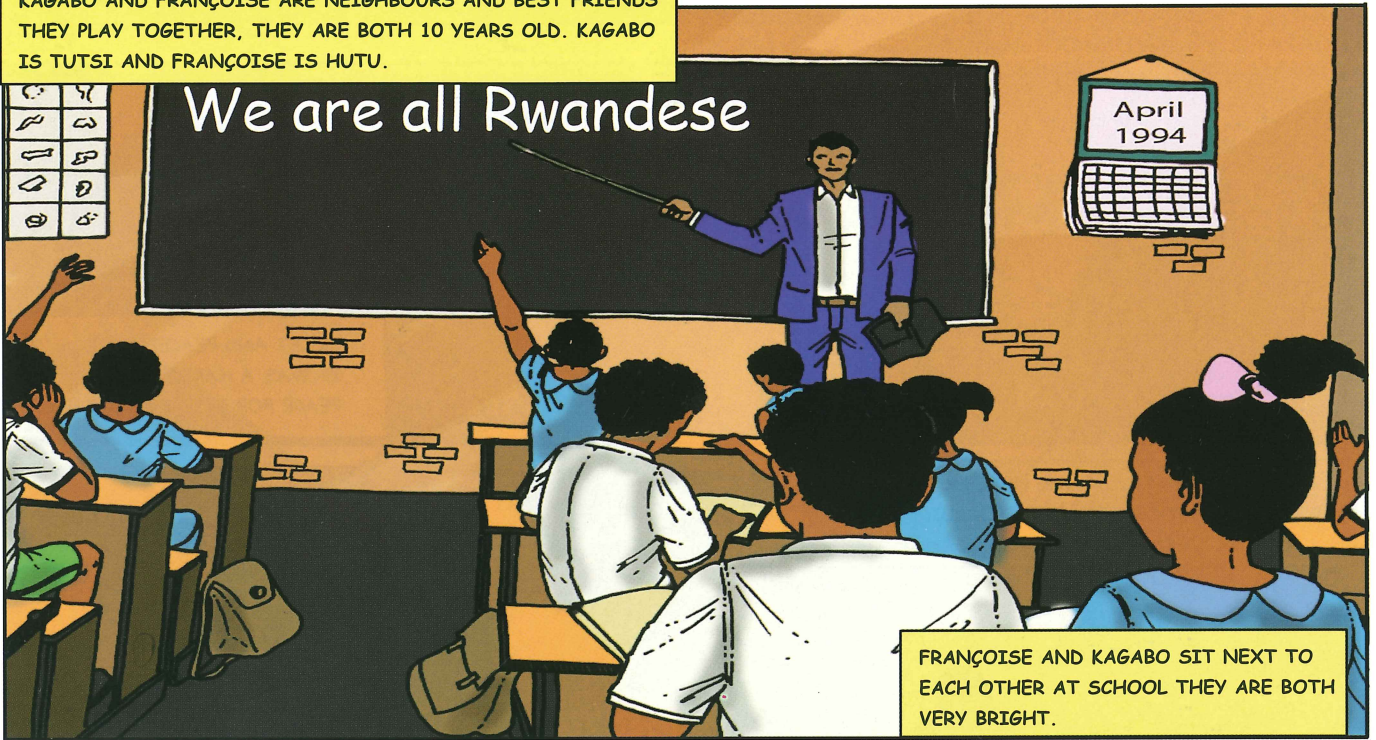
AND A SANCTUARY FOR THE NEIGHBOURING
POPULATIONS DESPITE SOME SPORADIC TROUBLES
AT THE BORDERS WITH DRC AND UGANDA.



EVERYTHING WAS ALWAYS QUIET AND BEAUTIFUL. THE PEOPLE THERE LIKE THE
NATURE, WERE BEAUTIFUL AND PLEASANT, BUT ONE MORNING IN APRIL, SOMETHING
TERRIBLE HAPPENS TO THE LAND OF A THOUSAND HILLS. THE SKY DARKENS AND
CLOUDS OF SMOKE RISE UP FROM THE HILLS.



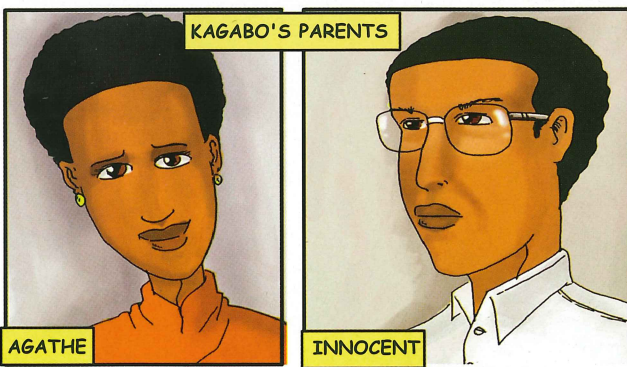
KAGABO AND FRANÇOISE ARE NEIGHBOURS AND BEST FRIENDS
THEY PLAY TOGETHER, THEY ARE BOTH 10 YEARS OLD. KAGABO
IS TUTSI AND FRANÇOISE IS HUTU.



THEIR PARENTS ARE ALSO GOOD FRIENDS AND PERFORM CHURCH
ACTIVITIES TOGETHER



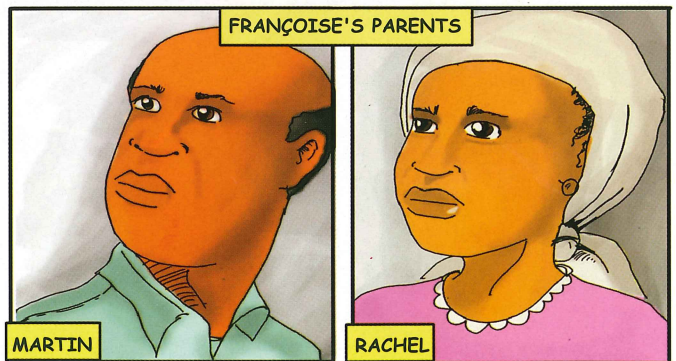
KAGABO'S PARENTS



AGATHE

INNOCENT

FRANÇOISE'S PARENTS



MARTIN

RACHEL

ONE DAY, THE TEACHER SEPARATES THE HUTU CHILDREN FROM THE TUTSI AND CANES THE TUTSI CHILDREN FOR NO APPARENT REASON. THE TEACHER CALLS THE TUTSI COCKROACHES AND SNAKES. THE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST TUTSI HAS BEEN ON THE RISE AND THE INNOCENT CHILDREN HAVE NOT BEEN SPARED.



SINCE THE RPF INVADIED RWANDA FROM UGANDA, RUMORS ABOUT THE TUTSI HAVE SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. NOW ALL THE TUTSI ARE HARASSED AND CALLED ACCOMPLICES OF THE REBELS.

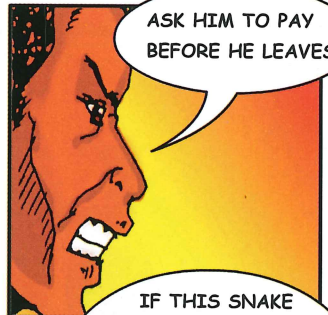
TUTSI ARE HARASSED EVERYWHERE. THE HUTU POPULATION IS INCITED THROUGH PROPAGANDA TO HATE THEIR TUTSI BROTHERS. THEY ARE MADE TO BELIEVE THAT TUTSI ARE OUT TO KILL AND ENSLAVE THEM. ALL THESE ARE LIES THAT THE GOVERNMENT WAS USING AS A DESPERATE WAY OF CLINGING TO POWER.



MOVE AND GO TO HELL OR JOIN YOUR BROTHERS FROM THE RPF

KICK HIM OUT.

THIS PLACE IS STARTING TO SMELL BAD



ASK HIM TO PAY BEFORE HE LEAVES



IF THIS SNAKE CONTINUES COMING HERE I WILL STOP COMING TO YOUR BAR



WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS? YOU ALL KNOW ME, WE EVEN WENT TO SCHOOL TOGETHER

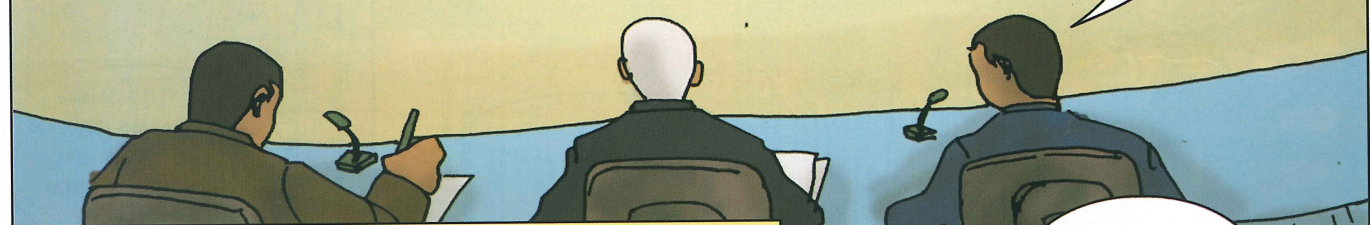
SIMBA HALL, ARUSHA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTER, TANZANIA

THERE IS A GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO BELONG TO THE PRESIDENT'S INNER CIRCLE, CALLED THE AKAZU WHICH DOESN'T WANT THE PRESIDENT TO SHARE POWER.



ARUSHA PEACE TALKS

EVERYONE PLEASE CALM DOWN, WE ARE HERE TO FIND A SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT



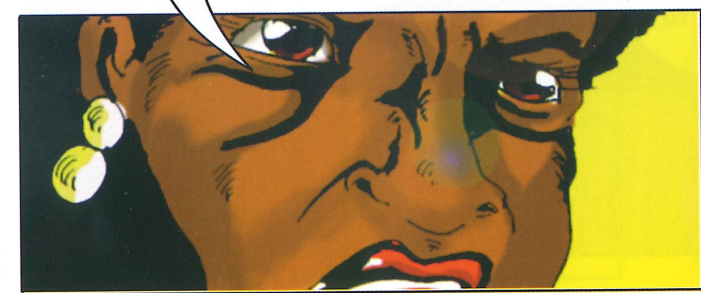
PUT UNDER PRESSURE BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, THE RWANDAN PRESIDENT ALLOWS POLITICAL REFORMS THAT WILL PROVIDE A MULTI-PARTY DEMOCRACY AND SHARING OF POWER BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT'S PARTY AND THE OPPOSITION PARTIES.

WE CANNOT SHARE POWER WITH THE REBELS

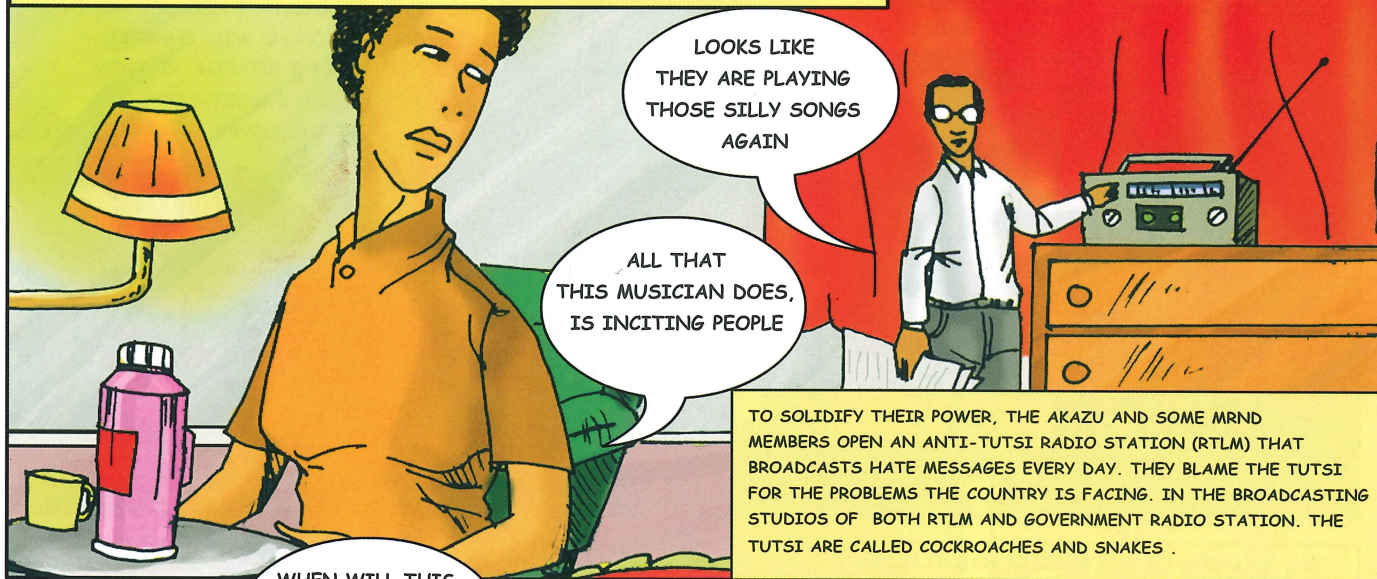


EVEN TUTSI ARE RWANDESE AND BESIDES, THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE PEOPLE ARE ARTIFICIAL COLONIAL RULES

THEY ARE SNAKES WHO WANT TO TAKE OVER POWER THROUGH THE BACK DOOR



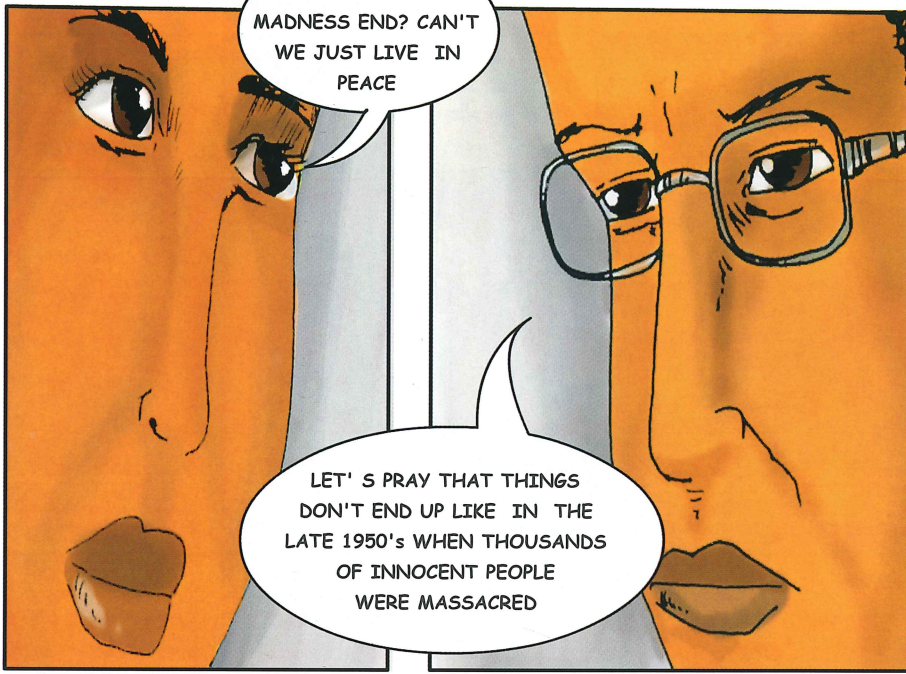
IN THE LIVING ROOM KAGABO'S FAMILY IS LISTENING TO RTLM (RADIO TELEVISION LIBRE DES MILLE COLLINES): ON AIR, A VERY WELL KNOWN MUSICIAN IS OPENLY CALLING FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF THE TUTSI



LOOKS LIKE THEY ARE PLAYING THOSE SILLY SONGS AGAIN

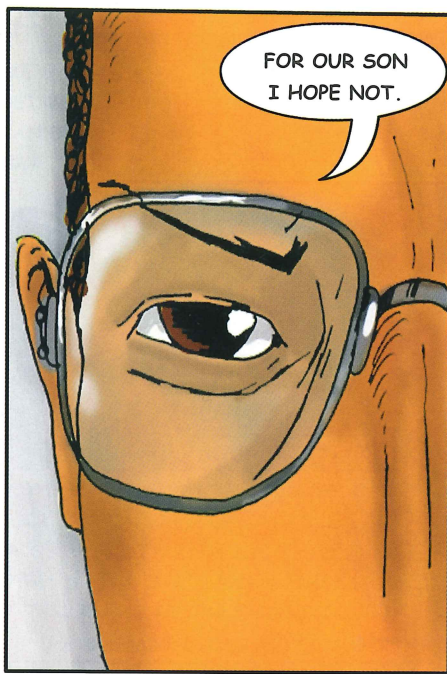
ALL THAT THIS MUSICIAN DOES, IS INCITING PEOPLE

TO SOLIDIFY THEIR POWER, THE AKAZU AND SOME MRND MEMBERS OPEN AN ANTI-TUTSI RADIO STATION (RTLM) THAT BROADCASTS HATE MESSAGES EVERY DAY. THEY BLAME THE TUTSI FOR THE PROBLEMS THE COUNTRY IS FACING. IN THE BROADCASTING STUDIOS OF BOTH RTLM AND GOVERNMENT RADIO STATION. THE TUTSI ARE CALLED COCKROACHES AND SNAKES .

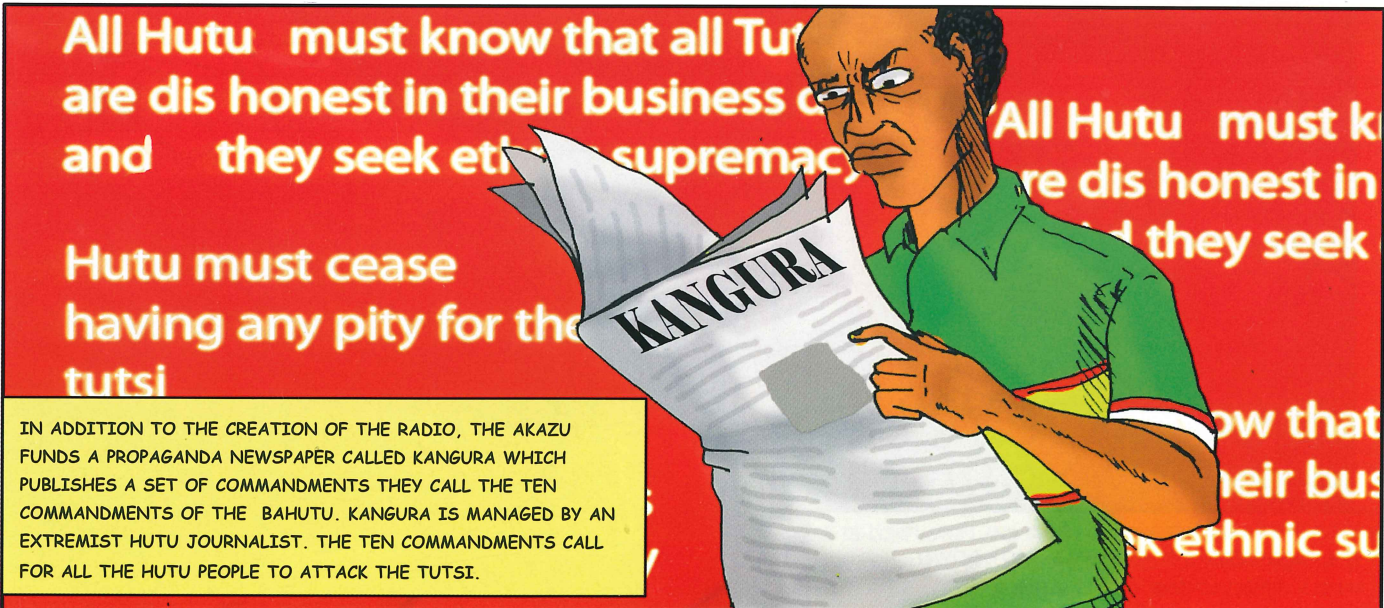


WHEN WILL THIS MADNESS END? CAN'T WE JUST LIVE IN PEACE

LET' S PRAY THAT THINGS DON'T END UP LIKE IN THE LATE 1950'S WHEN THOUSANDS OF INNOCENT PEOPLE WERE MASSACRED



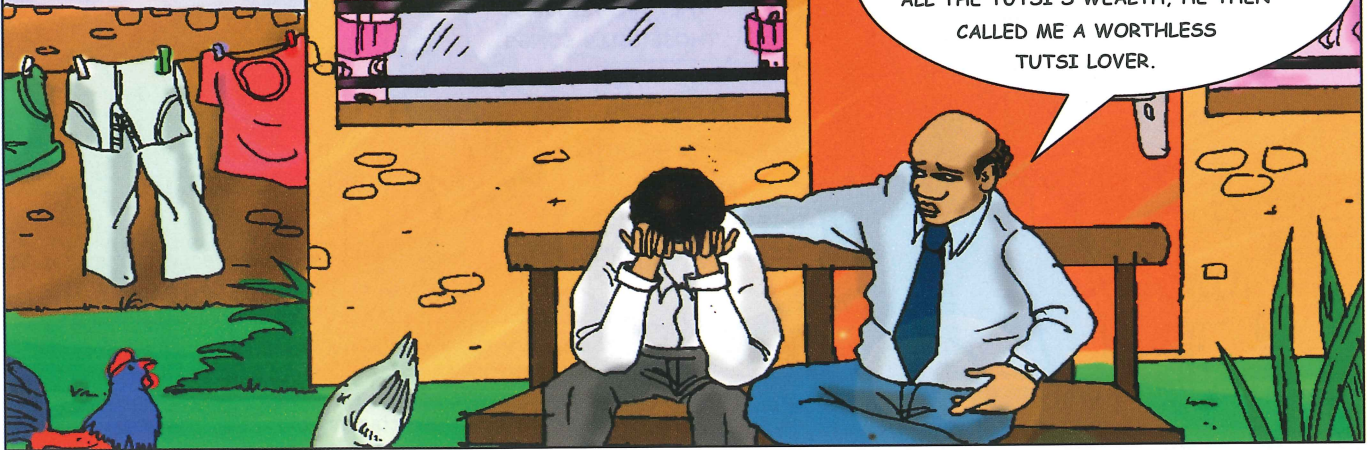
FOR OUR SON I HOPE NOT.



IN ADDITION TO THE CREATION OF THE RADIO, THE AKAZU FUNDS A PROPAGANDA NEWSPAPER CALLED KANGURA WHICH PUBLISHES A SET OF COMMANDMENTS THEY CALL THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF THE BAHUTU. KANGURA IS MANAGED BY AN EXTREMIST HUTU JOURNALIST. THE TEN COMMANDMENTS CALL FOR ALL THE HUTU PEOPLE TO ATTACK THE TUTSI.

INNOCENT HAD ASKED MARTIN TO HELP HIM CHANGE HIS FAMILY'S I. D FROM TUTSI TO HUTU FOR SECURITY REASONS

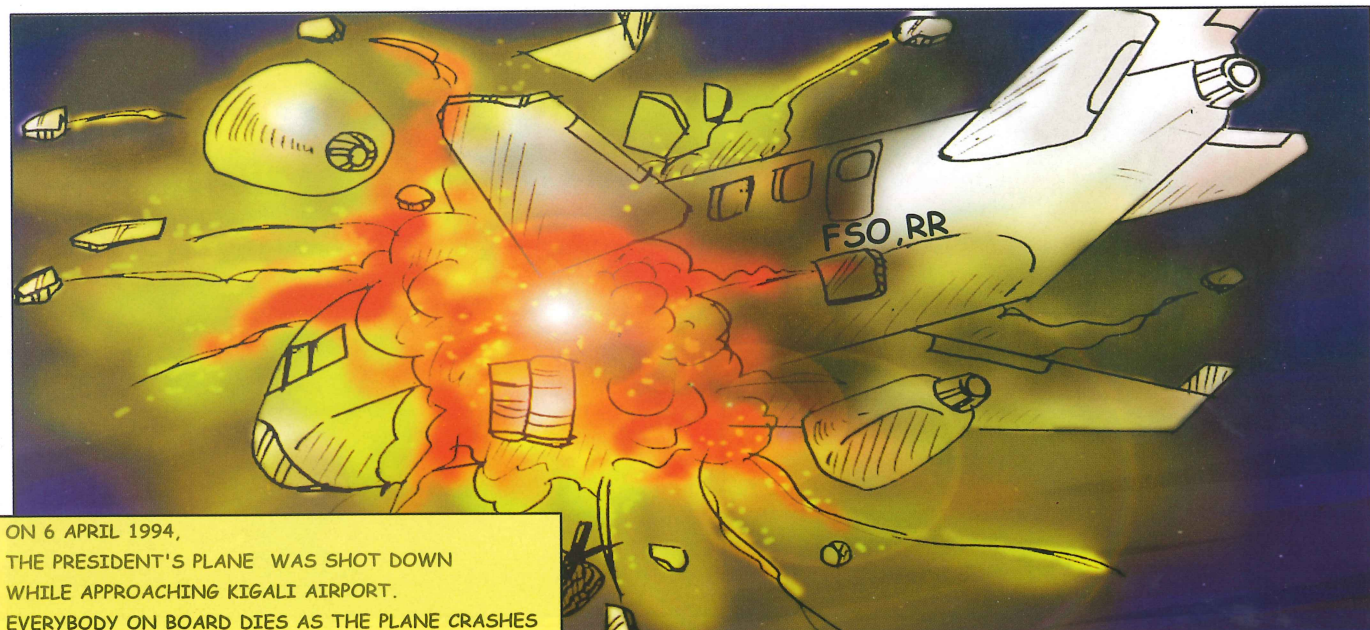
I TRIED TO BRIBE AN OFFICIAL BUT HE REFUSED. HE SAID THAT HE DOES NOT NEED MY MONEY BECAUSE SOON HE WILL INHERIT ALL THE TUTSI'S WEALTH, HE THEN CALLED ME A WORTHLESS TUTSI LOVER.



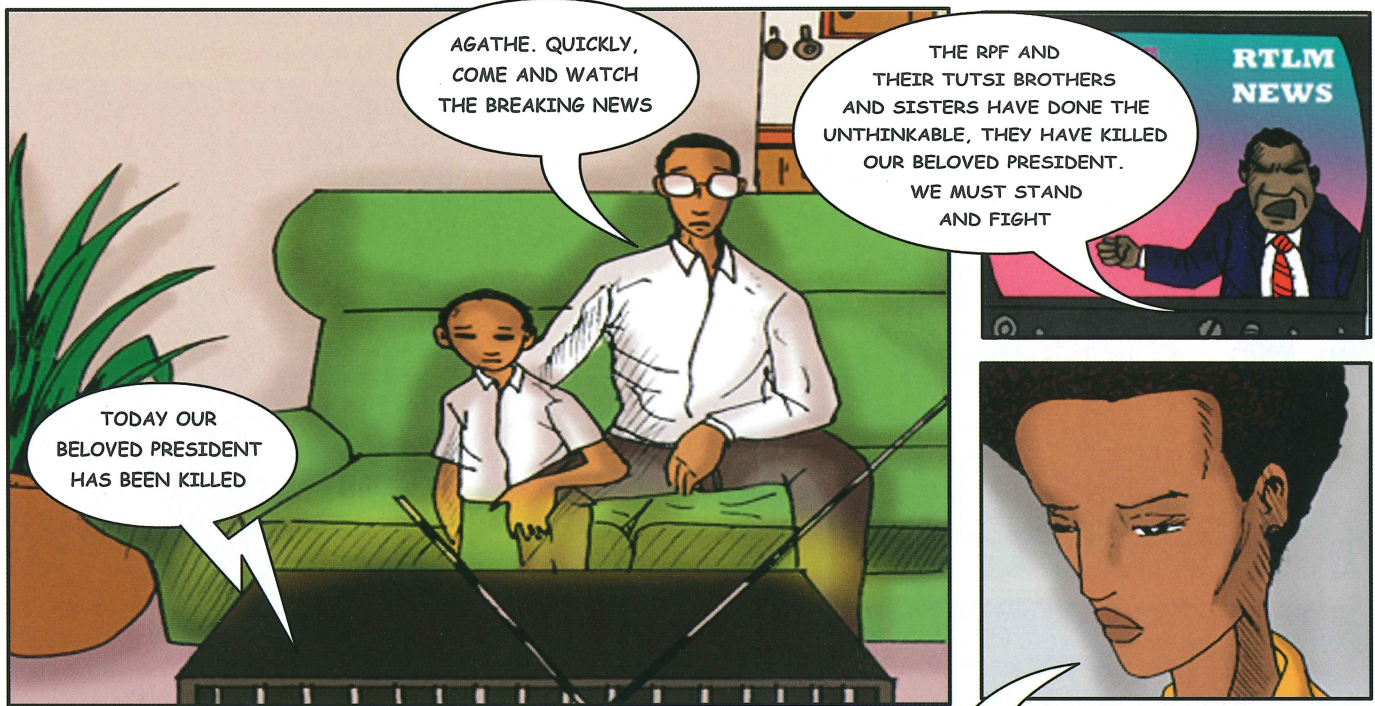
THE TRAINING OF THE MILITIA HAS STARTED



THE PRESIDENT'S PARTY FORMS A YOUTH MILITIA CALLED THE INTERAHAMWE. THE MILITIA IS ALSO FUNDED BY THE AKAZU TO BE USED AS A TOOL OF VIOLENCE AGAINST THE TUTSI. THE EXTREMIST POLITICIANS PLAN FOR THE SECRET TRAINING OF THE MILITIA BY THE GOVERNMENT'S ARMED FORCES.



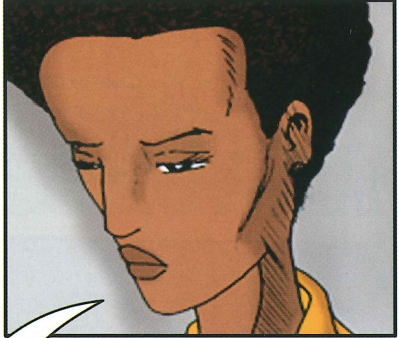
ON 6 APRIL 1994, THE PRESIDENT'S PLANE WAS SHOT DOWN WHILE APPROACHING KIGALI AIRPORT. EVERYBODY ON BOARD DIES AS THE PLANE CRASHES



AGATHE. QUICKLY, COME AND WATCH THE BREAKING NEWS

THE RPF AND THEIR TUTSI BROTHERS AND SISTERS HAVE DONE THE UNTHINKABLE, THEY HAVE KILLED OUR BELOVED PRESIDENT. WE MUST STAND AND FIGHT

TODAY OUR BELOVED PRESIDENT HAS BEEN KILLED

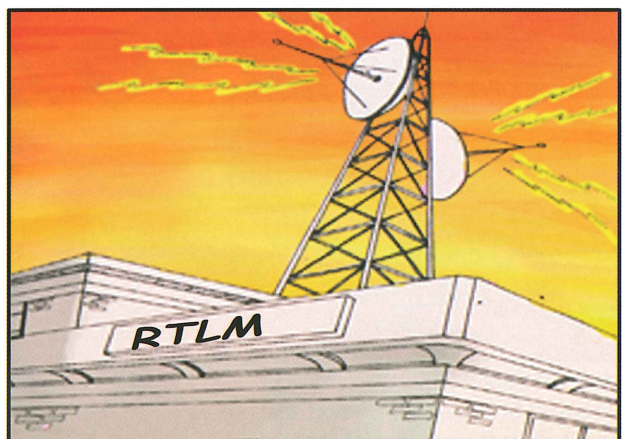
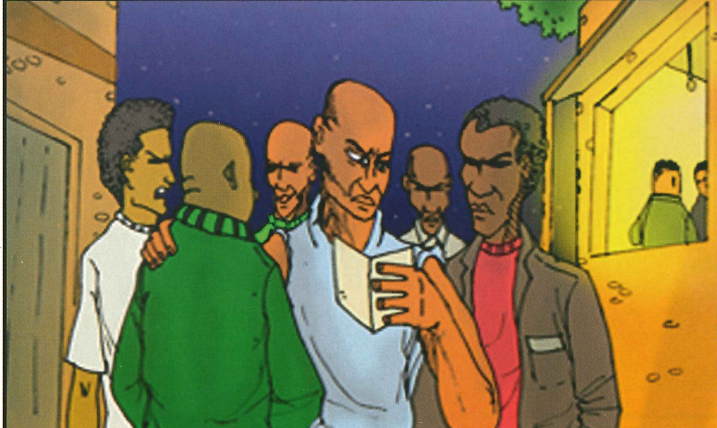


SOON AFTER THE NEWS OF THE PRESIDENT'S DEATH THERE IS CONFUSION AND PEOPLE COME OUT SCREAMING AND HUNTING DOWN MEMBERS OF THE TUTSI MINORITY.

LOOKS LIKE THINGS WILL GET VERY BAD, ALL WE CAN DO NOW IS PRAY.



SOLDIERS AND INTERAHAMWE MILITIA ARE FIRING IN THE STREET. THEY HAVE STARTED HUNTING DOWN OPPOSITION POLITICIANS AND TUTSI CIVILIANS.



THERE IS CONFUSION AND CHAOS AS THE EXTREMIST RADIO RTL M KEEPS BLAMING THE RPF AND THE TUTSIS FOR THE PRESIDENT'S DEATH.

AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE MISSION IN RWANDA (U.N.A.M.I.R)

THE SITUATION IS GETTING WORSE. WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING BEFORE THINGS GET OUT OF HAND.

PERHAPS WE SHOULD GET THE PRIME MINISTER TO APPEAL FOR CALM.

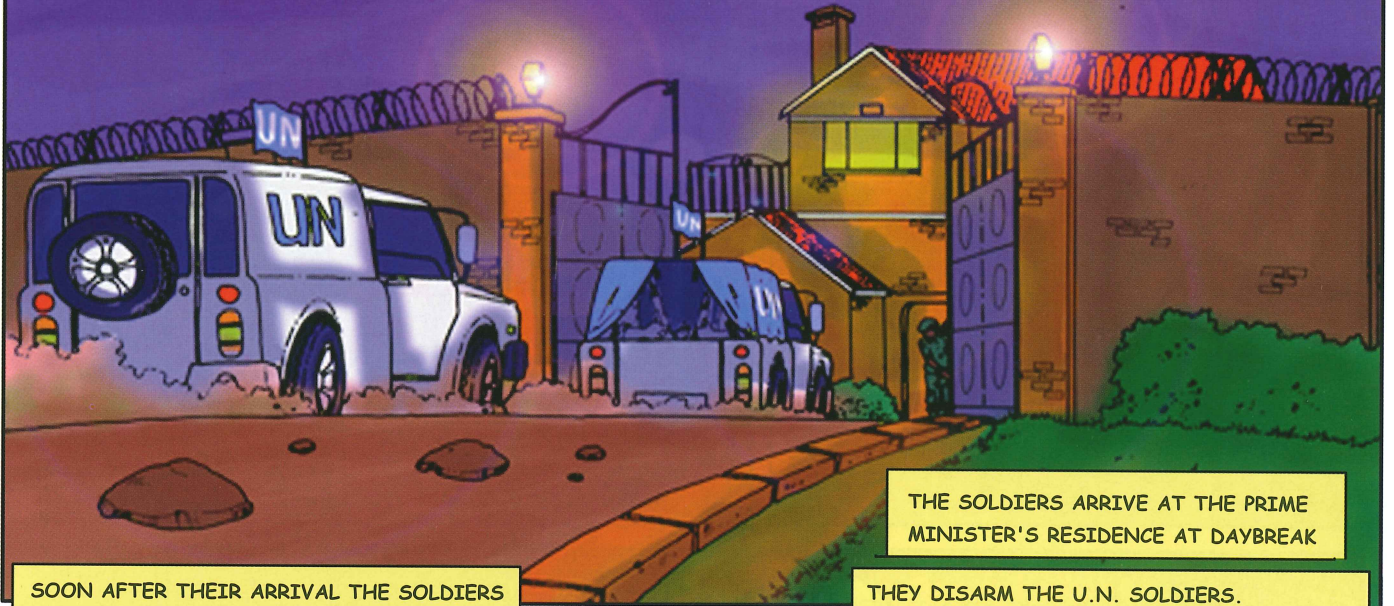
BEFORE DAWN

THE HEAD OF THE UN PEACEKEEPING MISSION IN RWANDA SENDS 15 UN PEACEKEEPERS TO GO AND PROTECT THE PRIME MINISTER AND THEN ESCORT HER TO THE NATIONAL RADIO STATION TO MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT ASKING FOR PEACE AND CALM AS HER GOVERNMENT HANDLES THE CRISIS FACING THE NATION.

AFTER THE DEATH OF THE PRESIDENT, THE PRIME MINISTER IS THE MOST SENIOR PERSON IN THE GOVERNMENT. AND HAS TO BE PROTECTED SINCE SHE IS FROM THE OPPOSITION.

THE UN TROOPS ENCOUNTER MANY ROADBLOCKS ERECTED BY SOLDIERS FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD BRIGADE. THE UN SOLDIERS HAVE TO PLEAD TO BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE.

AT THE PRIME MINISTER'S RESIDENCE



THE SOLDIERS ARRIVE AT THE PRIME MINISTER'S RESIDENCE AT DAYBREAK

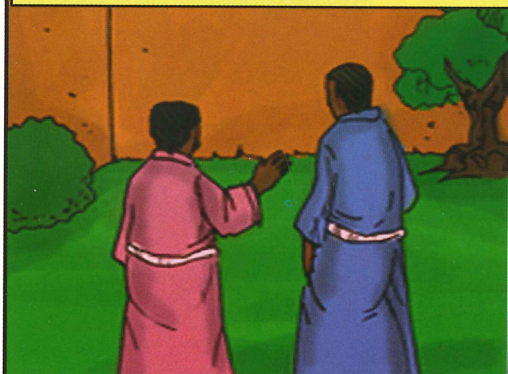
SOON AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL THE SOLDIERS FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD BRIGADE SURROUND THE COMPOUND.

THEY DISARM THE U.N. SOLDIERS. OUT OF THE 15 U.N. SOLDIERS, 5 WHO ARE OF GHANAIAN ORIGIN ARE SET FREE. THE 10 WHO ARE BELGIANS ARE TAKEN TO KANOMBE WHERE THEY ARE TORTURED AND KILLED



THE PM TRIES TO FLEE TO HER NEIGHBOUR, AN AMERICAN DIPLOMAT'S HOUSE, BUT THE WALLS ARE TOO HIGH TO JUMP OVER INSTEAD SHE GOES BACK TO HIDE HER CHILDREN

SO YOU HAVE DECIDED TO SPARE US THE TROUBLE OF LOOKING FOR YOU



THE PM AND HER HUSBAND ARE ARRESTED TORTURED AND KILLED

TUTSI ARE BEING HUNTED DOWN, LIKE IN 1959, WAKE UP KAGABO WE NEED TO LEAVE



KAGABO, WAKE UP WE HAVE TO GO



MARTIN ! IT' S INNOCENT. WE ARE READY TO LEAVE



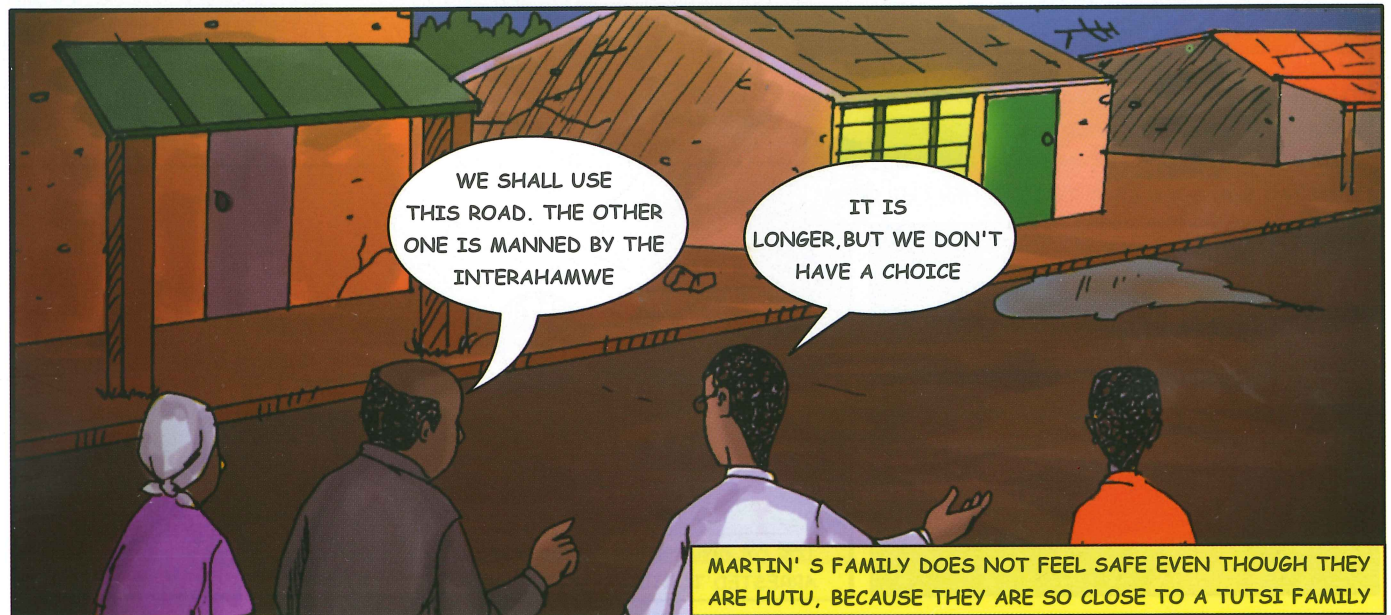
WE SHALL GO TO ECOLE TECHNIQUE OFFICIELE I HEARD THAT THERE ARE U.N. SOLDIERS PROTECTING THE PREMISES

WELL! WE SHOULD LEAVE NOW IF WE ARE TO MAKE IT IN TIME

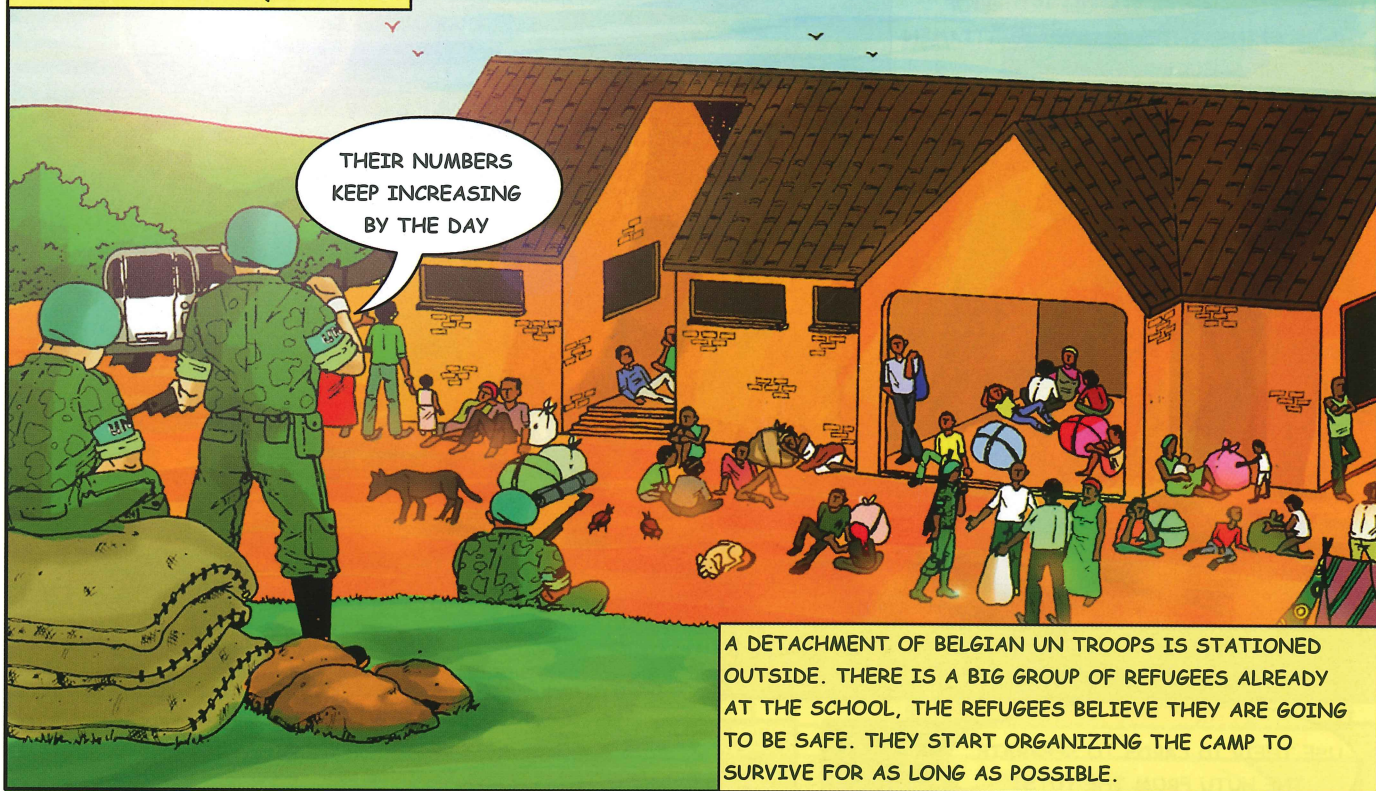


WE SHALL USE THIS ROAD. THE OTHER ONE IS MANNED BY THE INTERAHAMWE

IT IS LONGER, BUT WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE

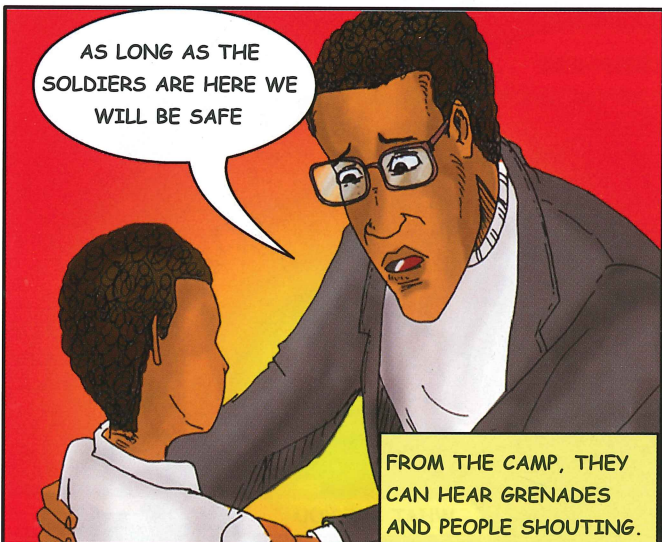


MARTIN' S FAMILY DOES NOT FEEL SAFE EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE HUTU, BECAUSE THEY ARE SO CLOSE TO A TUTSI FAMILY



THEIR NUMBERS
KEEP INCREASING
BY THE DAY

A DETACHMENT OF BELGIAN UN TROOPS IS STATIONED OUTSIDE. THERE IS A BIG GROUP OF REFUGEES ALREADY AT THE SCHOOL, THE REFUGEES BELIEVE THEY ARE GOING TO BE SAFE. THEY START ORGANIZING THE CAMP TO SURVIVE FOR AS LONG AS POSSIBLE.



AS LONG AS THE
SOLDIERS ARE HERE WE
WILL BE SAFE

FROM THE CAMP, THEY
CAN HEAR GRENADES
AND PEOPLE SHOUTING.



THERE ARE OLD
WOMEN AND CHILDREN,
CAN'T YOU LEAVE
THEM ALONE

WHY DON'T YOU
PEOPLE LEAVE US TO
DO OUR JOB

EVERY DAY, THE U.N SOLDIERS
AND THE MILITIA AROUND THE
AREA QUARREL OVER THE FATE
OF THE REFUGEES



IN THE NEIGHBORING BANANA PLANTATION
HUTU SOLDIERS AND THE INTERAHAMWE
ARE HUNTING THE TUTSI.

HOW MANY
COCKROACHES
DID YOU CATCH
TODAY

WE HAVE KILLED
10 MEN, 15 WOMEN
AND 6 CHILDREN

IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE DEPARTURE OF THE BELGIANS, INTERAHAMWE MILITIAMEN ENTER THE SCHOOL.



USE THEIR ID CARDS TO SEPARATE THE HUTU FROM THE TUTSI.



STARTING HERE, YOU ARE DEFINITELY A TUTSI



DON'T LET THEM SEE YOU CRYING BE STRONG

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR. JOIN YOUR BROTHERS



NO YOU ARE A TUTSI LOVER

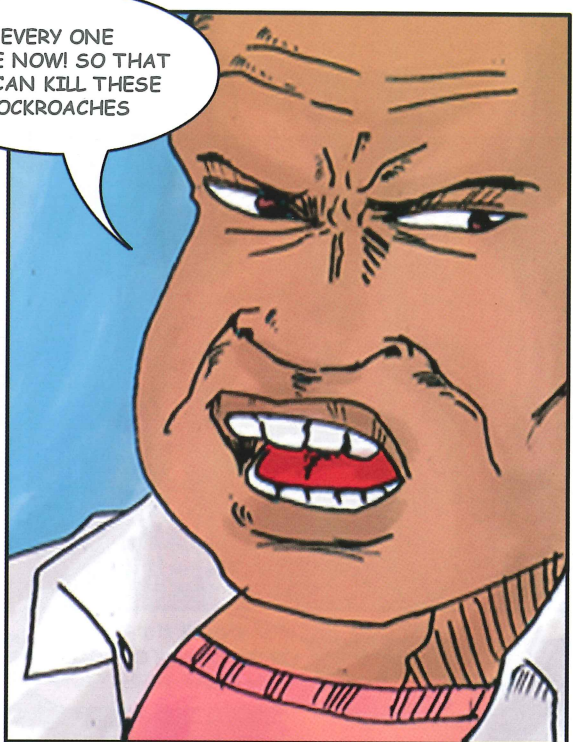
BUT I AM HUTU



KAGABO'S FATHER IS AMONG THE TUTSIS FOUND BY THE MILITIA, KAGABO AND HIS MOTHER ARE INCLUDED AMONG THE HUTU GROUP THAT IS AUTHORISED TO LEAVE IMMEDIATELY SOME OF THE MODERATE HUTU POLITICIANS ARE PUT WITH THE TUTSIS.



KAGABO, STOP CRYING, IF THEY SEE YOU THEY WILL KILL YOU



EVERY ONE LEAVE NOW! SO THAT WE CAN KILL THESE COCKROACHES



HURRAY ! DOWN WITH SNAKES

KILL THEM ALL

A CROWD OF HUTU OF ALL AGES ARE OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL APPLAUDING THE KILLERS.

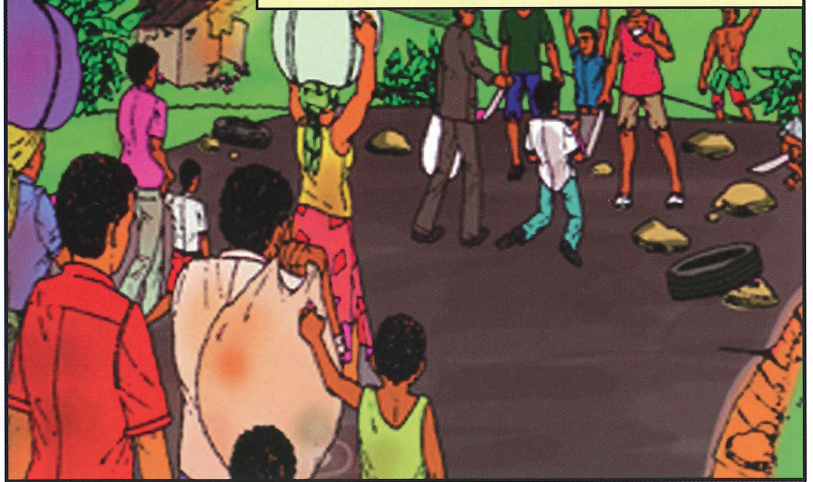


AS THE HUTU REFUGEES LEAVE, GUNFIRE AND SCREAMS ARE HEARD FROM WITHIN THE COMPOUND

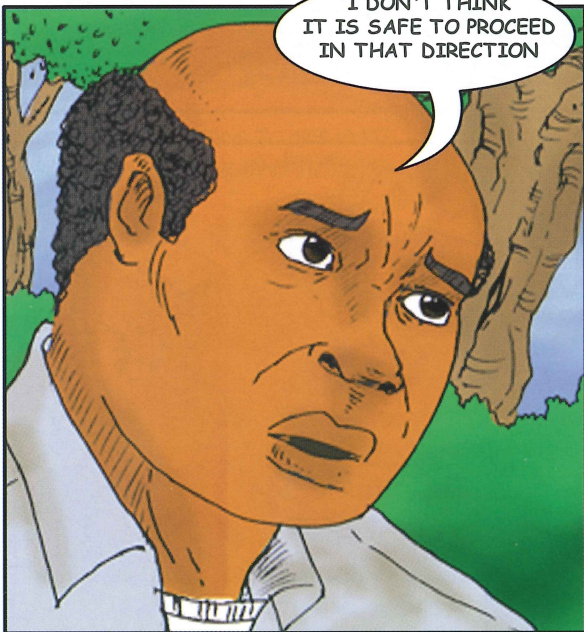
ALONG THE WAY THEY SEE MANY DEAD BODIES ON THE ROAD, AS THEY WALK, THE CROWD GETS BIGGER AND BIGGER AS OTHER FLEEING PEOPLE JOIN THEM



THE GROUP AHEAD OF MARTIN IS STOPPED AT THE ROAD BLOCK AND ASKED TO PRODUCE THEIR ID'S. MARTIN AND HIS GROUP HOLD BACK



I DON'T THINK IT IS SAFE TO PROCEED IN THAT DIRECTION



LET'S USE THIS SMALL ROUTE. IT LEADS TO A SAFE HIDEOUT ON THE HILLS



FROM THE HILLS THE REFUGEES WATCH HELPLESSLY, AS THE MILITIA KILL INNOCENT PEOPLE

OH MY GOD! WHEN WILL THIS END?





SOME PEOPLE ARE LET THROUGH SINCE THEY ARE HUTU. THOSE WHO ARE IDENTIFIED TO BE TUTSI ARE SET ASIDE AND TOLD TO LIE DOWN

STAY STILL

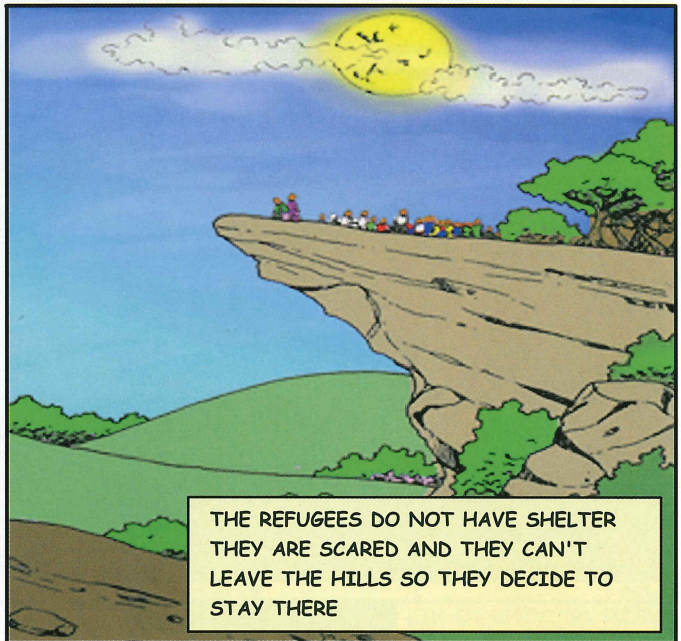
PLEASE SHOW MERCY

THEY PLEAD WITH THE MILITIA TO LET THEM GO. THEY OFFER MONEY AND JEWELRY AND OTHER VALUABLES TO HAVE THEIR LIVES SPARED. THE MILITIA TAKE THE MONEY AND JEWELRY, BUT STILL KILL THEM

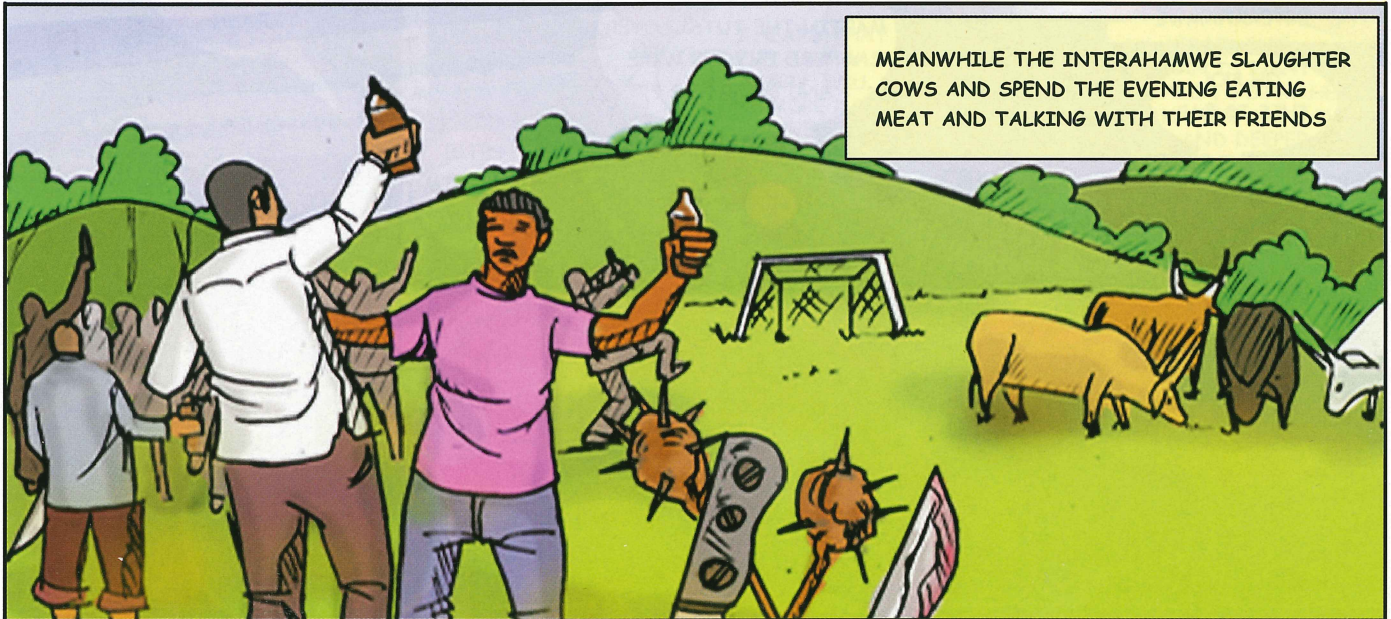


A FEW GIRLS ARE SPARED AND TAKEN TO A SMALL HUT BESIDE THE ROAD

NOW YOU GIRLS STAY HERE AND DON'T EVEN TRY TO ESCAPE



THE REFUGEES DO NOT HAVE SHELTER THEY ARE SCARED AND THEY CAN'T LEAVE THE HILLS SO THEY DECIDE TO STAY THERE



MEANWHILE THE INTERAHAMWE SLAUGHTER COWS AND SPEND THE EVENING EATING MEAT AND TALKING WITH THEIR FRIENDS

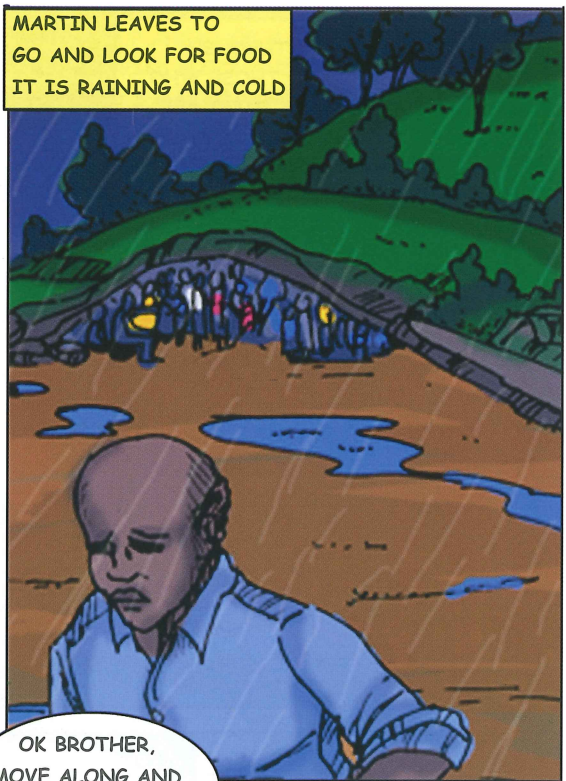


I KNOW IT IS NOT SAFE TO GO OUT BUT THE CHILDREN NEED TO EAT

AND BESIDES I AM HUTU, IT SHOULD BE EASIER FOR ME TO MOVE AROUND

I SEE YOU HAVE MADE UP YOUR MIND, JUST PROMISE ME THAT YOU WILL BE SAFE

MARTIN LEAVES TO GO AND LOOK FOR FOOD IT IS RAINING AND COLD



OK BROTHER, MOVE ALONG AND KEEP AN EYE FOR THE SNAKES

HE CROSSES THE ROAD BLOCKS EASILY SINCE HE IS HUTU



WAIT... WE WILL LET YOU GO IF YOU KILL THIS OLD TRASH

UPON ARRIVING TO HIS HOUSE, HE RUNS INTO THE INTERAHAMWE



OH NO! THIS IS BAD

LOOK WHAT WE HAVE HERE IT' S MARTIN THE TUTSI LOVER, WHERE IS YOUR WIFE AND DAUGHTER ?

LET'S KILL HIM NOW



MEANWHILE
BACK IN THE
CAVE

I AM GETTING
WORRIED MY HUSBAND IS STILL
OUT, ANYTHING COULD HAVE
HAPPENED TO HIM

I HAVE A
VERY BAD FEELING

BE STRONG, RACHEL
LET'S HOPE THAT ALL WILL BE
WELL WITH HIM

IT'S MORNING AND
MARTIN HAS STILL NOT
RETURNED

THE REFUGEES ON THE
OTHER HAND ARE BUSY
MAKING PLANS ON
HOW THEY WILL MOVE



WE HAVE
TO GO TO BUTARE.
I HEARD IT IS SAFER
THERE

IT'S A GOOD IDEA
BUT CAN WE WAIT A
LITTLE LONGER FOR
MY HUSBAND?

I HEARD THAT HE
LEFT THE CAMP LAST NIGHT.
I AM SORRY, WILL GIVE HIM
ONE MORE DAY THEN
WE LEAVE

I AM AFRAID, BUT
CHRISTIAN IS RIGHT.
IT'S NOT SAFE TO STAY HERE.
THE INTERAHAMWE ARE MOVING
DEEPER AND DEEPER
INTO THE BUSHES

BUTARE IS THE ONLY PROVINCE THAT IS HEADED BY A TUTSI PREFECT AND THE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DISCOURAGED FROM INCITING HATRED AND COMMITTING ACTS OF VIOLENCE.



AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT

SO FAR ALL OUR OPERATIONS ARE GOING AS PLANNED THE PEOPLE ARE RESPONDING TO OUR CALLS

FINALLY, WE ARE DOING SOMETHING ABOUT THOSE COCKROACHES.

TUTSIS ARE BEING ELIMINATED ALL OVER THE COUNTRY, AS INDICATED ON THIS MAP

GOOD WORK COLONEL WE WILL SOON DEAL WITH THE SNAKES ONCE AND FOR ALL



WHAT ABOUT THE RPF REBELS?

WE SHALL ELIMINATE THEM AS WELL NOTHING CAN STOP US



AGATHE JUST LOOK AT THEM

THEY ARE HUNGRY AND COLD, KIDS SHOULDN'T HAVE TO WITNESS THIS KIND OF PAIN



I THINK YOU SHOULD SAVE FRANÇOISE THE PAIN, YOU ARE HUTU, SO IT SHOULD BE EASIER FOR YOU TO MOVE AROUND AND FIND FOOD

BUT IT'S STILL DANGEROUS OUT THERE



I KNOW IT IS BUT STILL YOU HAVE TO BE BRAVE

THAT'S TRUE I CAN ALSO TRY AND FIND MY HUSBAND AS WELL



FRANÇOISE AND HER MOTHER LEAVE THE CAMPSITE IN THE EVENING TO SEARCH FOR FOOD AND MARTIN.

TAKE CARE

YOU TOO



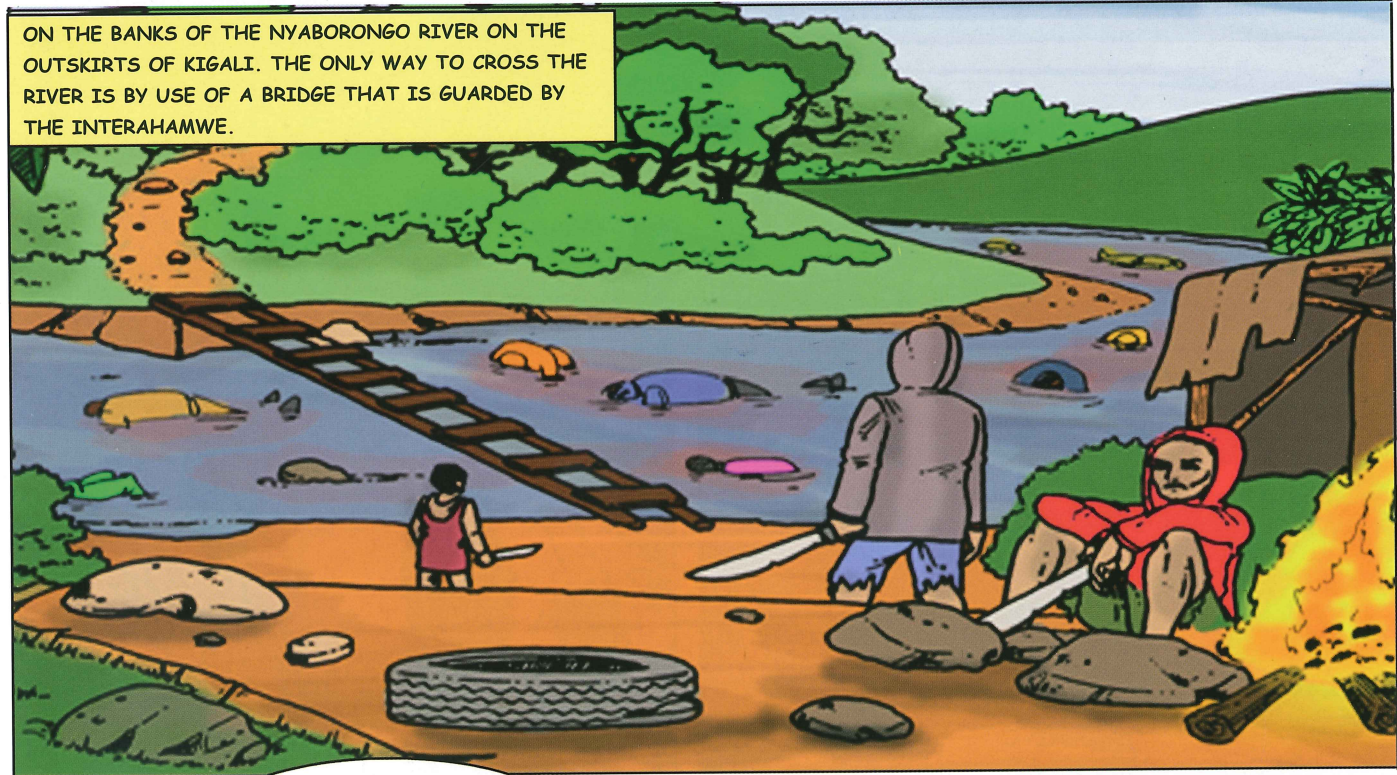
FINALLY THE REFUGEES DECIDE TO LEAVE FOR BUTARE, THEIR ONLY HOPE

STAY CLOSE TO ME KAGABO

AS AGREED EARLIER WE SHOULD GO TO BUTARE WE SHALL AVOID THE ROADS AND INSTEAD GO THROUGH THE BUSHES



UNDER THE COVER OF DARKNESS THE REFUGEES SET OFF WITH THEIR FEW BELONGINGS FOR THE JOURNEY TO BUTARE. THEY DO NOT GO THROUGH THE ROADBLOCK BUT OVER THE HILL TO THE OTHER SIDE. VIATEUR TELLS THEM TO KEEP OFF THE ROADS.



ON THE BANKS OF THE NYABORONGO RIVER ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF KIGALI. THE ONLY WAY TO CROSS THE RIVER IS BY USE OF A BRIDGE THAT IS GUARDED BY THE INTERAHAMWE.

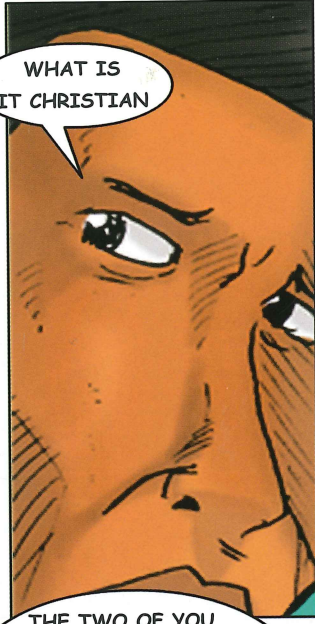
PEOPLE OF RWANDA
THERE IS A LOT OF WORK TO
BE DONE, STAY TUNED FOR THE LIST
OF NAMES OF PEOPLE WE
MUST DEAL WITH BY
THE END OF TODAY



RTL M HEADQUARTERS (BROADCASTING STUDIO)
A WHITE JOURNALIST IS ON AIR. CALLING OUT
ON HUTU TO KILL TUTSI



VIATEUR,
I COME WITH
BAD NEWS



WHAT IS
IT CHRISTIAN

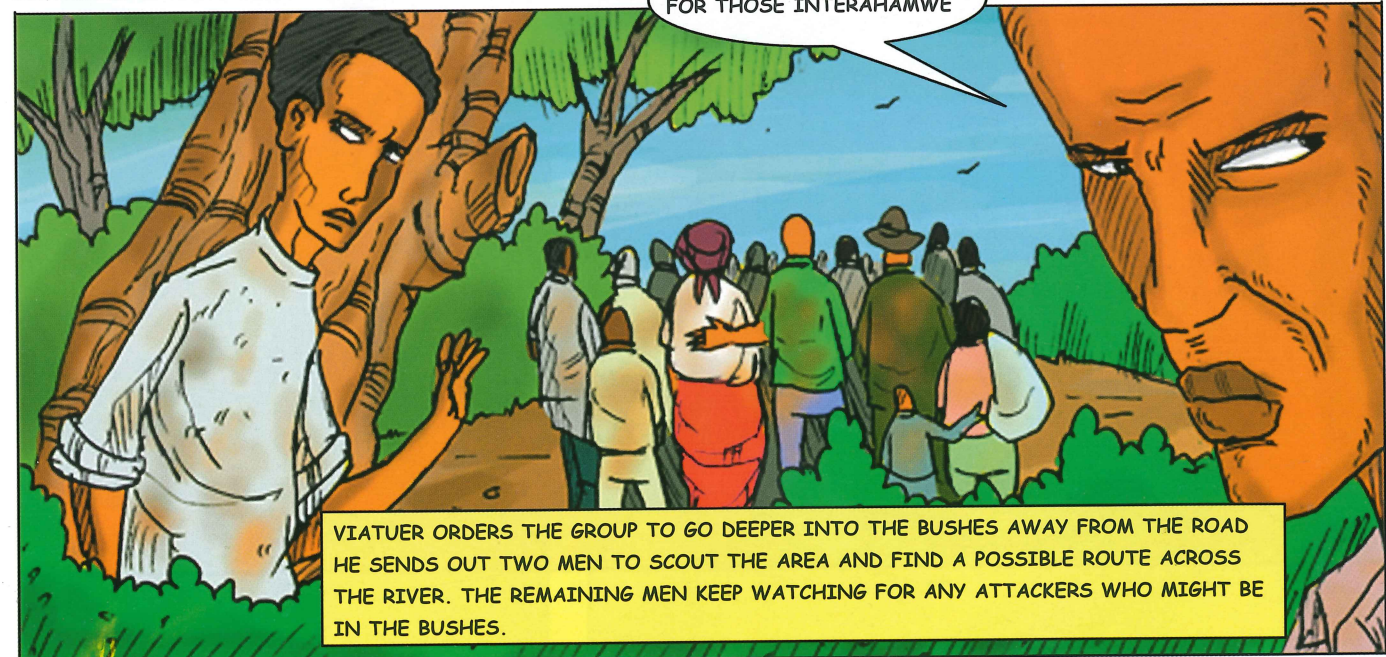


WE CAN'T
CROSS THE RIVER
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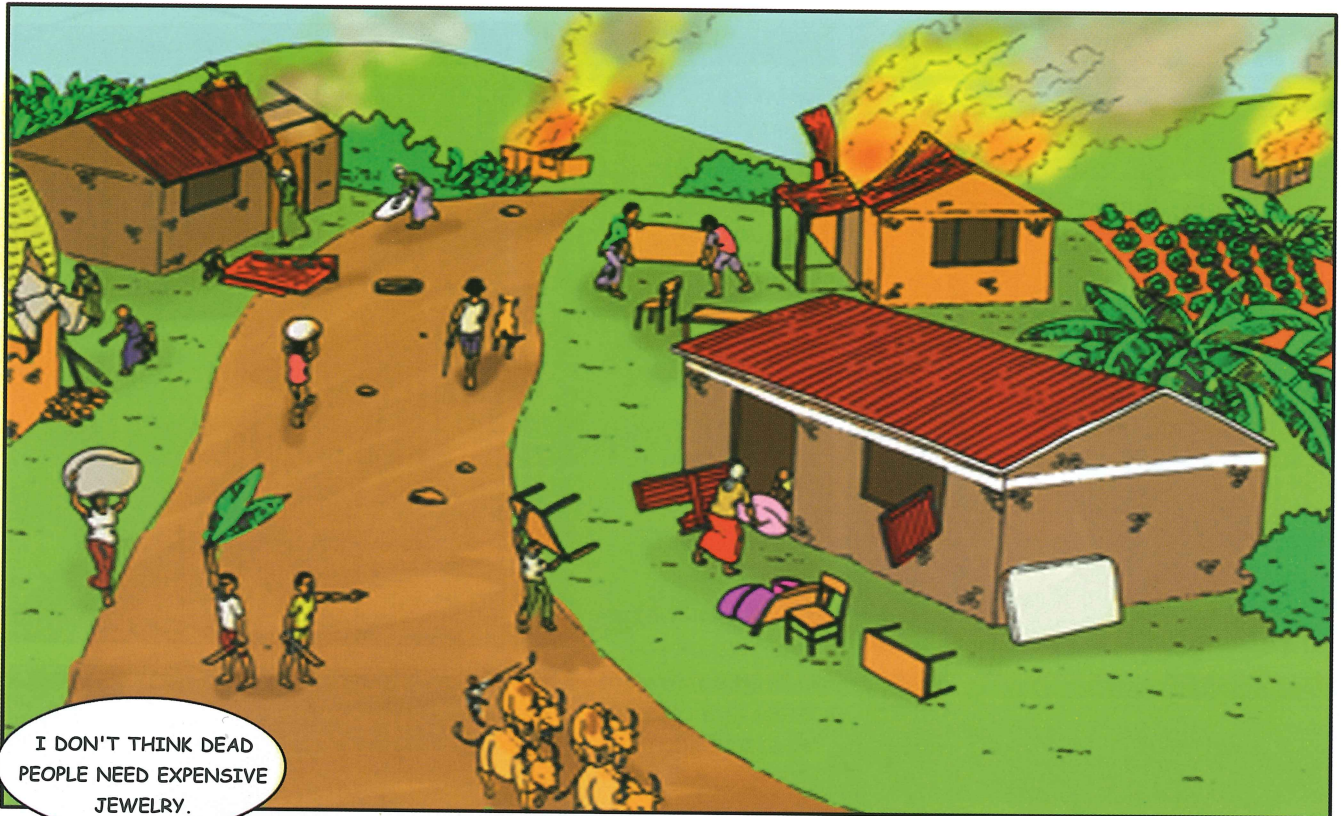


THE TWO OF YOU,
GO DEEPER INTO THE
BUSHES AND LOOK FOR
POSSIBLE ROUTES

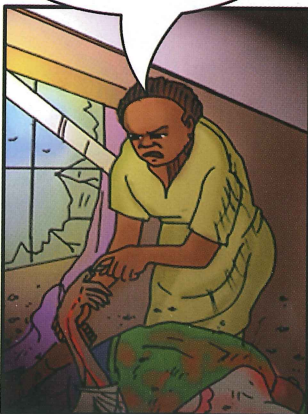
KEEP AN EYE
FOR THOSE INTERAHAMWE



VIATEUR ORDERS THE GROUP TO GO DEEPER INTO THE BUSHES AWAY FROM THE ROAD HE SENDS OUT TWO MEN TO SCOUT THE AREA AND FIND A POSSIBLE ROUTE ACROSS THE RIVER. THE REMAINING MEN KEEP WATCHING FOR ANY ATTACKERS WHO MIGHT BE IN THE BUSHES.

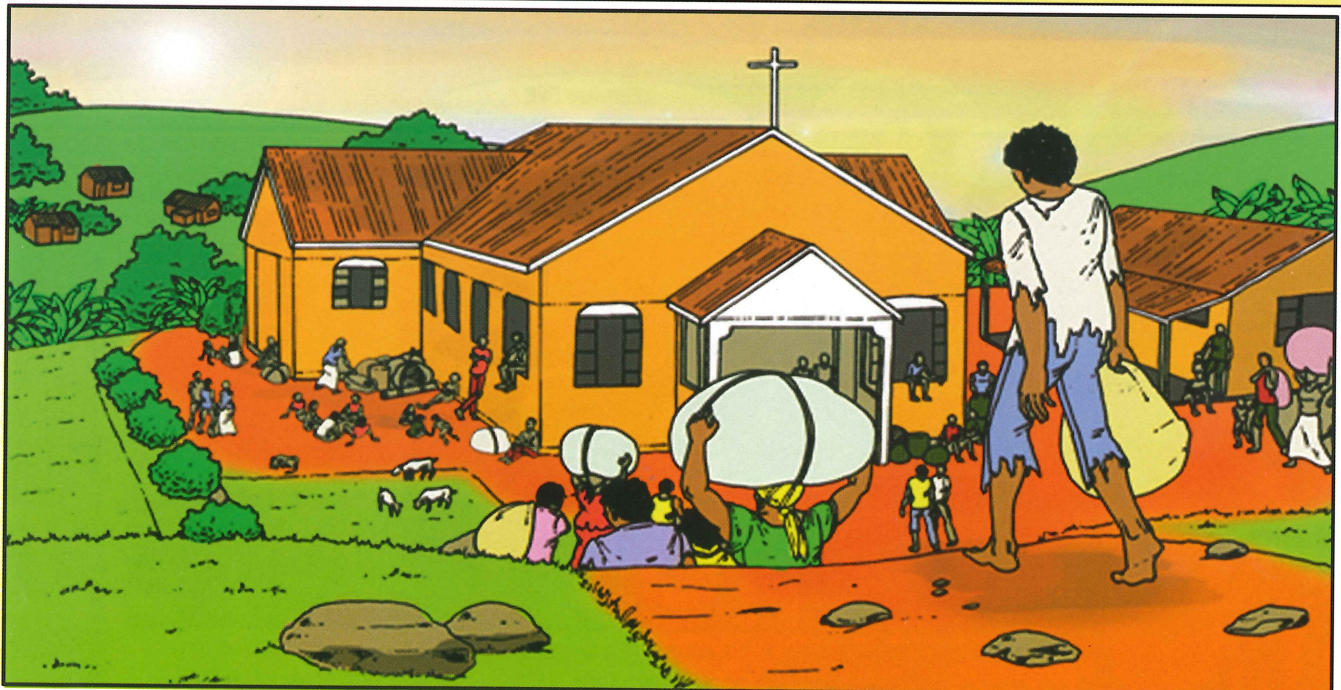


I DON'T THINK DEAD PEOPLE NEED EXPENSIVE JEWELRY.



INTERAHAMWE MILITIA ARE MOVING FROM VILLAGE TO VILLAGE FLUSHING TUTSI FROM THEIR HOMES AND KILLING THEM. THE WIVES OF THE KILLERS ARE ALSO INVOLVED. THEY ARE RUMMAGING THROUGH HOUSES THEY VENTURE EVEN INTO THE MARSHES TO GET THE BELONGINGS OF THE UNFORTUNATE WOMEN WHO HAVE JUST BEEN KILLED, THEY STEAL ANYTHING, FROM BOWLS, PIECES OF CLOTH, RELIGIOUS IMAGES, WEDDING PICTURES FROM THE HOUSES, FROM SCHOOLS AND EVEN THE DEAD. THEY THEN DESTROY WHATEVER THEY CAN'T CARRY, THEY TORCH THE HOUSES AND GRANARIES AND TAKE THE COWS AND GOATS WITH THEM. THIS HAS BEEN HAPPENING ALL OVER RWANDA

MEANWHILE THOUSANDS OF TUTSI REFUGEES HAVE BEEN SHELTERING IN CHURCHES ACROSS THE COUNTRY, THEY FILL UP EVERY SPACE IN THE COMPOUNDS AND INSIDE THE CHURCHES. THEY THINK THEY WILL BE SAFE THERE SINCE THE CHURCH IS CONSIDERED A HOLY PLACE,





YESTERDAY WE BURNT THOSE PEOPLE ALIVE IN THEIR OWN HOMES, IT WAS SO EXCITING BECAUSE OF THE CRIES OF THE BABIES AND THEIR MOTHERS.

IN ONE OF THE STREETS OF KIGALI, THE WHOLE NEIGHBOURHOOD IS QUIET EXCEPT THE LOCAL BAR WHERE THERE IS LOUD MUSIC AND THE YOUTHS ARE DANCING AND DRINKING IN CELEBRATION.



IT WAS YESTERDAY, I REMEMBER IT PERFECTLY.

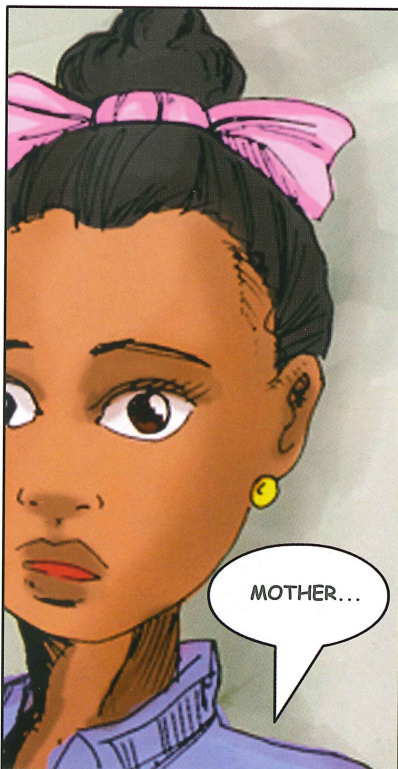


LET' S DRINK TO THAT, TOMORROW WE WILL KILL MORE

FRANÇOISE AND HER MOTHER ARRIVE ONLY TO FIND THAT THEIR HOUSE HAS BEEN BROKEN INTO AND MOST OF THEIR BELONGINGS HAVE BEEN STOLEN. FURNITURE IS BROKEN AND SCHOOL BOOKS ARE LYING AROUND THE HOUSE.

OH MY GOD,
WHAT HAPPENED
HERE

EVERYTHING IS
DESTROYED



SUDDENLY THEY ARE ENGULFED IN FEAR AND HORROR WHEN THEY SEE THE BLOOD STAINS ON THE WALL. THEY CLING TO EACH OTHER TIGHTLY.

RACHEL AND FRANÇOISE KNOCK AT THEIR NEIGHBOURS GATE TO ASK IF SHE HAD ANY INFORMATION ON MARTIN

NOW WHO COULD BE VISITING AT THIS HOUR OF THE NIGHT.

OH MY GOD, IT'S YOU PEOPLE AGAIN, DO YOU WANT TO GET ME IN TROUBLE.

GO TO HELL YOU COCKROACH LOVERS, HELP, HELP THE TRAITORS ARE AT MY HOUSE, COME AND GRAB THEM.

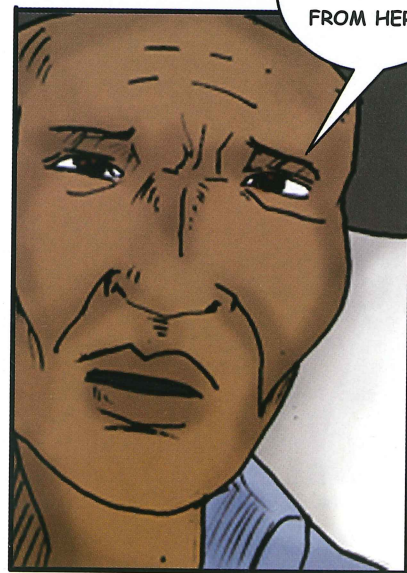
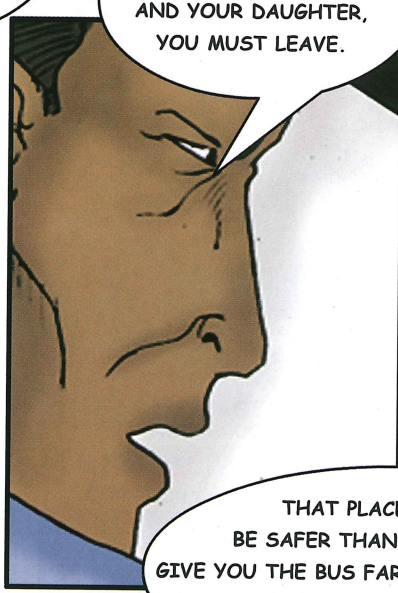
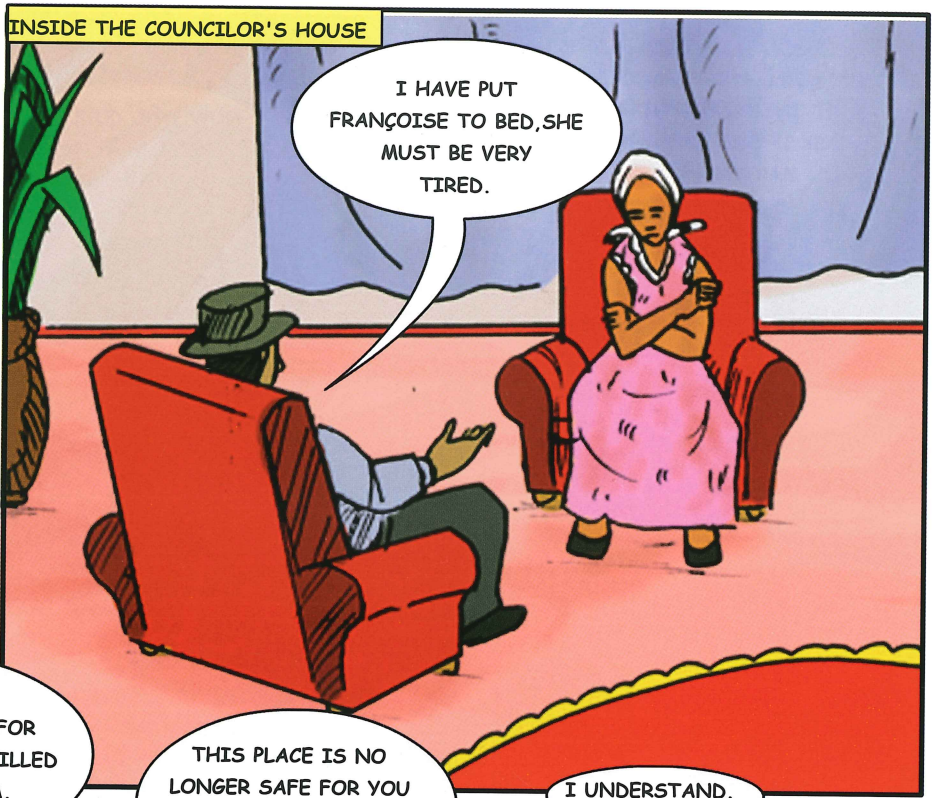
THE NEIGHBOURS COME OUT TO SEE WHAT ALL THE NOISE IS ALL ABOUT, SOME ARE ARMED.

IT'S THAT FAMILY AGAIN, FIRST THE HUSBAND NOW THE WIFE!

MOTHER I AM AFRAID

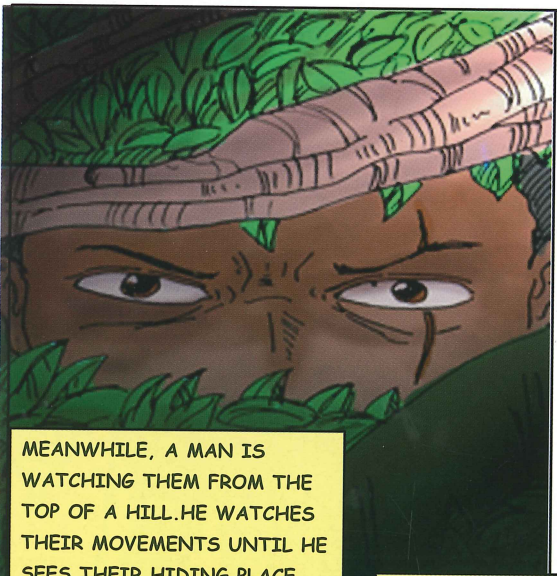
EVERYBODY GO BACK TO YOUR HOUSES I WILL DEAL WITH THEM PERSONALLY.

THE LOCAL COUNCILOR AND A LONG TIME FRIEND OF FRANÇOISE'S FAMILY ARRIVES, JUST IN TIME.





THE SCOUTS ARE BACK. THEY HAVE IDENTIFIED A POSSIBLE CROSSING SPOT. THE REFUGEES PACK UP THEIR BELONGINGS AND LEAVE. TWO HOURS LATER THEY CROSS THE RIVER AND CONTINUE TOWARDS BUTARE. ON THE WAY THEY GATHER AND EAT WILD FRUITS AND BERRIES.



MEANWHILE, A MAN IS WATCHING THEM FROM THE TOP OF A HILL. HE WATCHES THEIR MOVEMENTS UNTIL HE SEES THEIR HIDING PLACE.



FRANÇOISE AND HER MOTHER ARE ON THE BUS TO BUTARE. THE BUS IS FULL OF PEOPLE

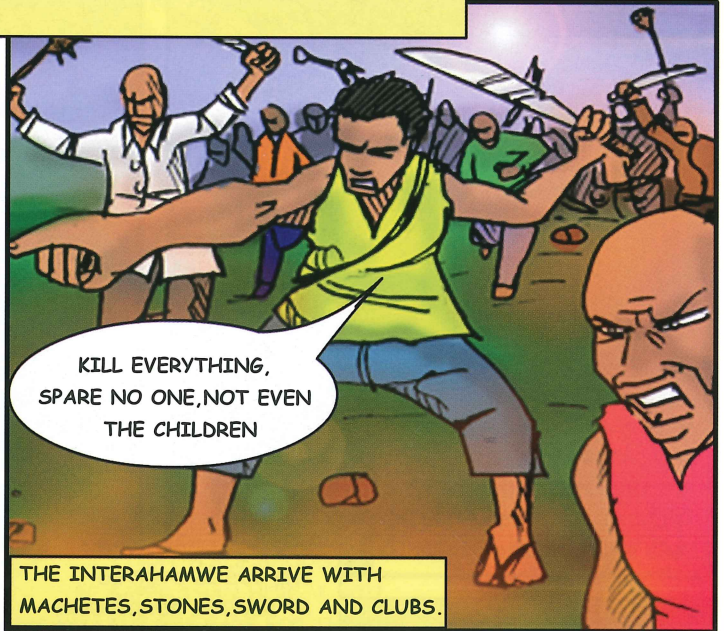
THE BUS IS STOPPED AT SEVERAL ROADBLOCKS TO SEARCH FOR ANY TUTSI



LOOK' S LIKE THERE ARE NO SNAKES HERE, YOU MAY PROCEED WITH YOUR JOURNEY.



THOUSANDS OF TUTSI FLEE THEIR HOMES TO SEEK REFUGE IN THE CHURCH. THEY SHELTER HERE SINCE THEY KNOW THEY WILL BE PROTECTED, BECAUSE IT IS A HOUSE OF GOD. THE LOCAL PRIEST ENCOURAGES THE REFUGEES TO SHELTER AT THE CHURCH COMPOUND AND PROMISES TO PROTECT THEM. THEY HAD NO WEDDINGS, NO BAPTISMS, NO SOCCER MATCHES, NO RELIGIOUS SERVICES. NOTHING, ONLY KILLINGS.

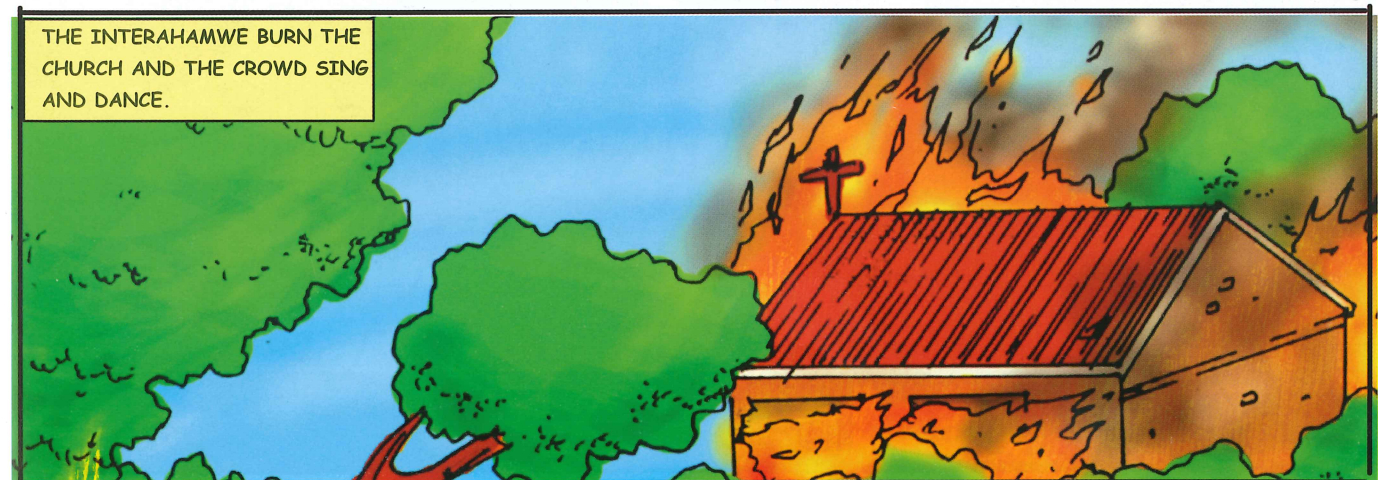
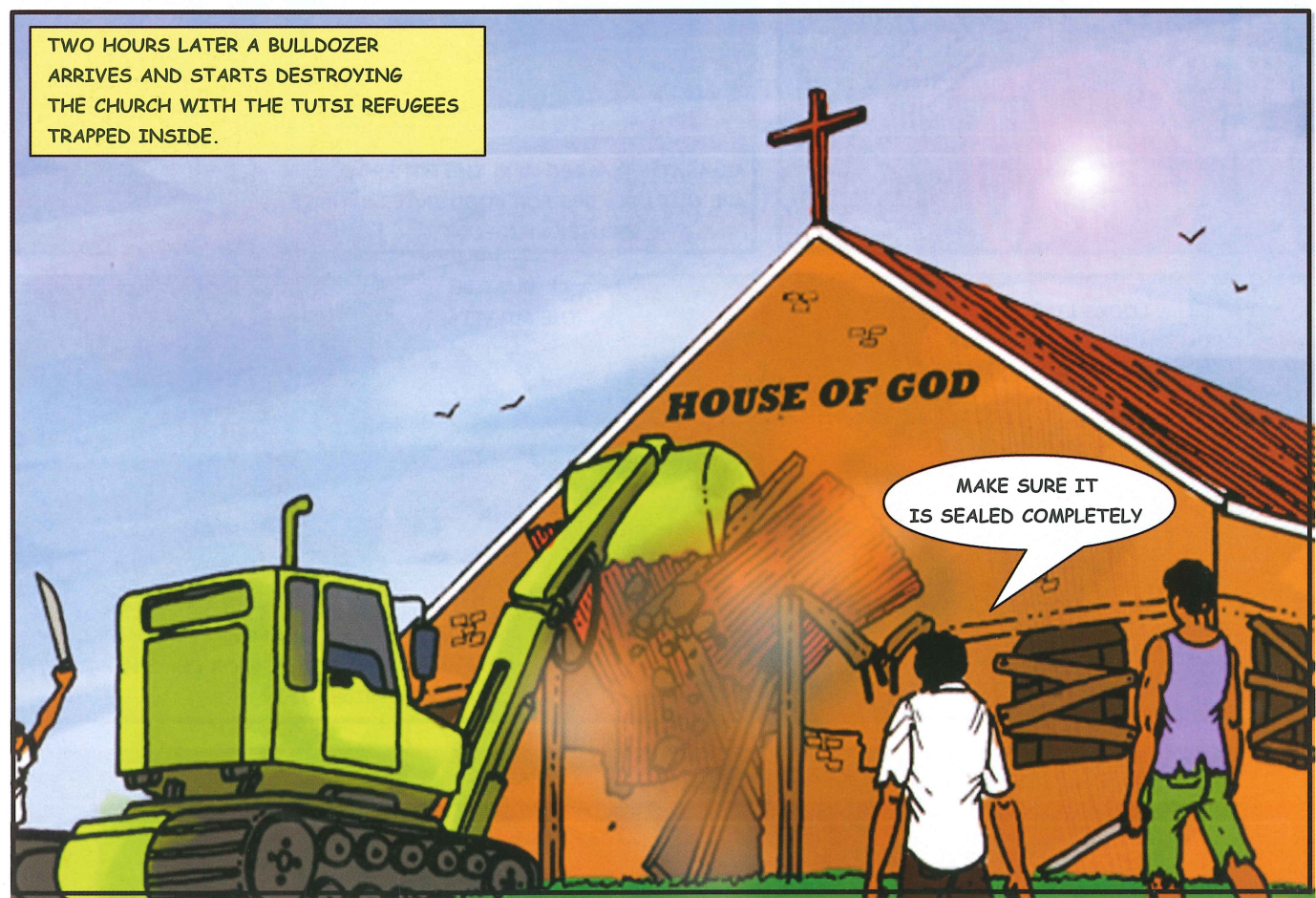


THE INTERAHAMWE ARRIVE WITH MACHETES, STONES, SWORD AND CLUBS.

A FEW DAYS AFTER THE TUTSI REFUGEES ARE SETTLED IN THE CHURCH COMPOUND THE LOCAL PRIEST, CALLS IN THE INTERAHAMWE MILITIA.



THE REFUGEES RUN INTO THE CHURCH AND CLOSE ALL THE DOORS.





IN THE BUSHES

THE TWO OF YOU, GO TO THE BANANA PLANTATION AND LOOK FOR SOMETHING THAT WE CAN EAT.



I HAVE FOUND THEM, LET'S GO AND FINISH THEM

AS AGATHE, KAGABO AND THE OTHER WOMAN ARE OUT LOOKING FOR FOOD, INTERAHAMWE FIND THE REFUGEES HIDEOUT



LOOKS LIKE, SOMETHING IS HAPPENING BACK AT THE HIDEOUT.

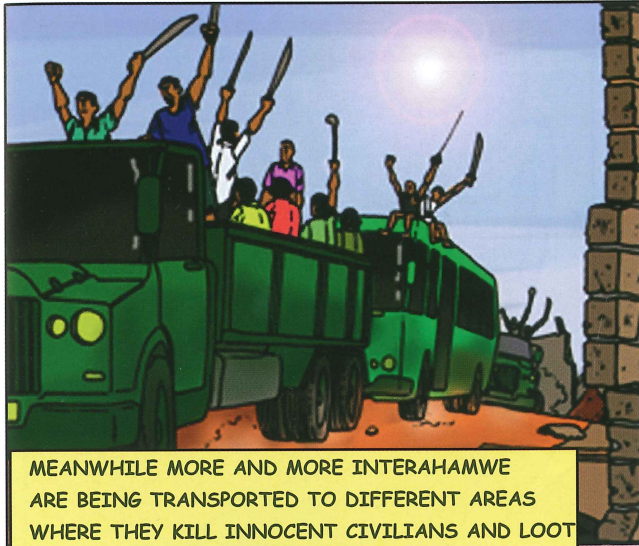
IT MUST BE THE MILITIA.

KAGABO, HIS MOTHER AND THE OTHER LADY HEAR SCREAMS OF HORROR COMING FROM THE REFUGEES HIDEOUT.



WE HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE.

TOGETHER, THEY RUN DEEPER INTO THE PLANTATION AND AWAY FROM THE HIDE OUT



MEANWHILE MORE AND MORE INTERAHAMWE ARE BEING TRANSPORTED TO DIFFERENT AREAS WHERE THEY KILL INNOCENT CIVILIANS AND LOOT



IN THE EASTERN PART OF THE COUNTRY, THE RPF IS SLOWLY ADVANCING TOWARDS THE CAPITAL CITY OF RWANDA.

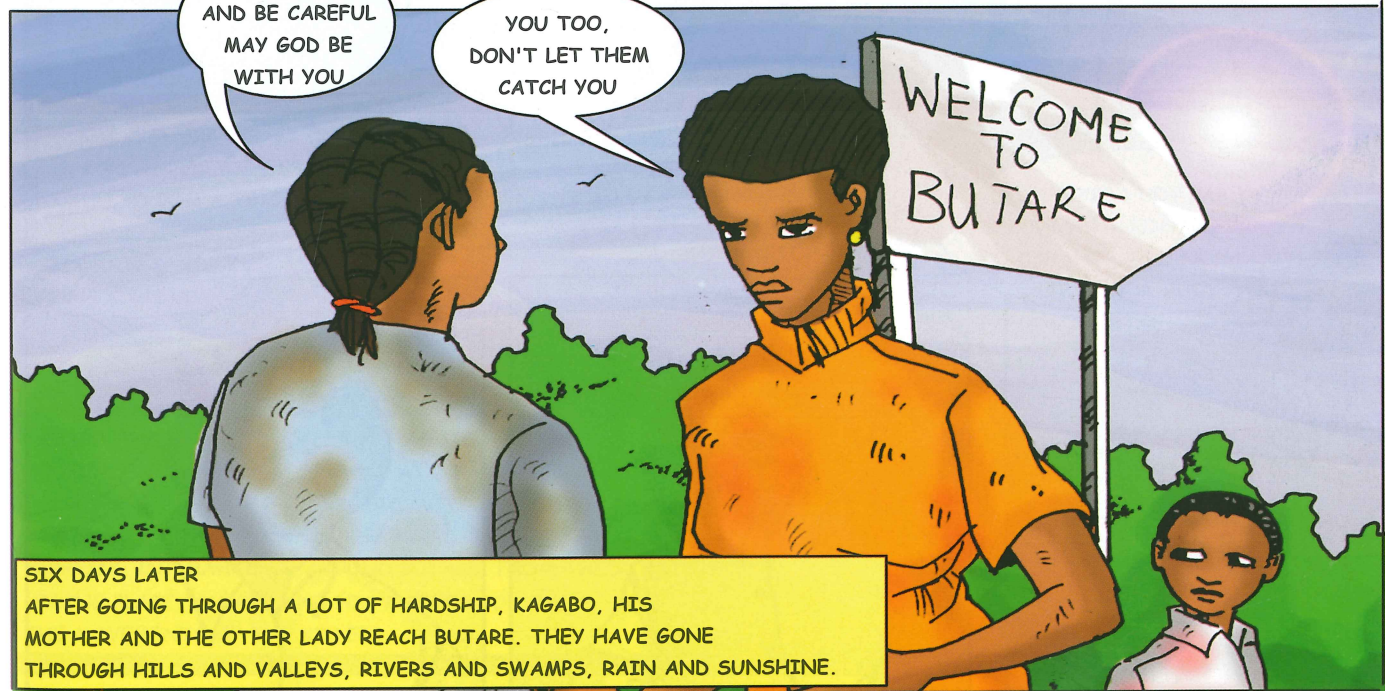


SAFE ZONES ARE ESTABLISHED FOR THE REFUGEES IN THE EAST OF THE COUNTRY. THOSE WHO ARE ABLE TO REACH RPF CONTROLLED ZONES ARE SAFE AND ARE GIVEN FOOD AND MEDICAL CARE

HOPEFULLY ALL THIS WILL COME TO AN END SOON

TAKE CARE AND BE CAREFUL MAY GOD BE WITH YOU

YOU TOO, DON'T LET THEM CATCH YOU

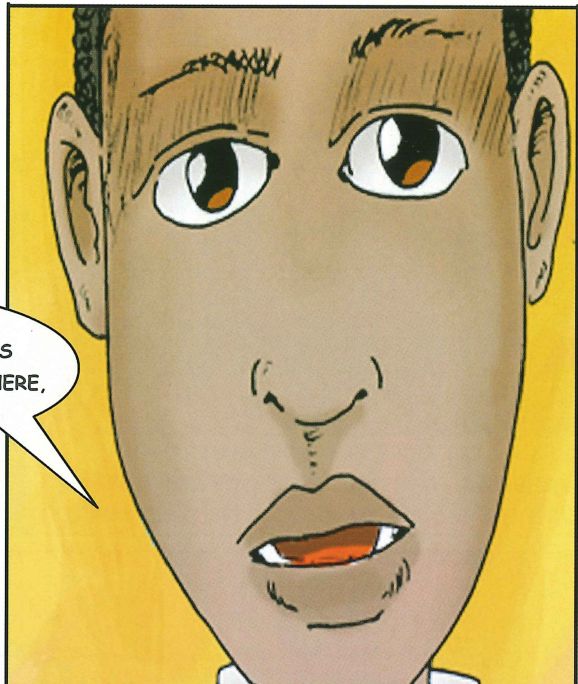


SIX DAYS LATER AFTER GOING THROUGH A LOT OF HARDSHIP, KAGABO, HIS MOTHER AND THE OTHER LADY REACH BUTARE. THEY HAVE GONE THROUGH HILLS AND VALLEYS, RIVERS AND SWAMPS, RAIN AND SUNSHINE.



THIS PLACE HAS CHANGED A LOT SINCE I LAST SAW IT.

MOTHER WHAT IS HAPPENING OVER THERE,



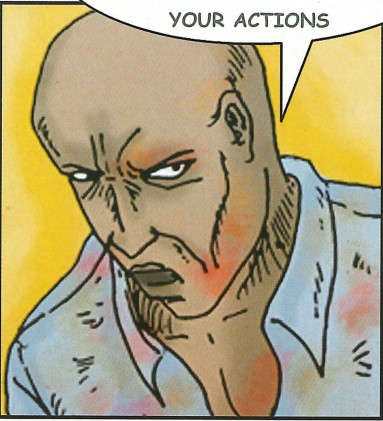
BUTARE IS NOW FREE FROM THIS COACKROACH'S POOR LEADERSHIP, WE SHALL HUNT DOWN ALL OF HIS KIND AND KILL EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM

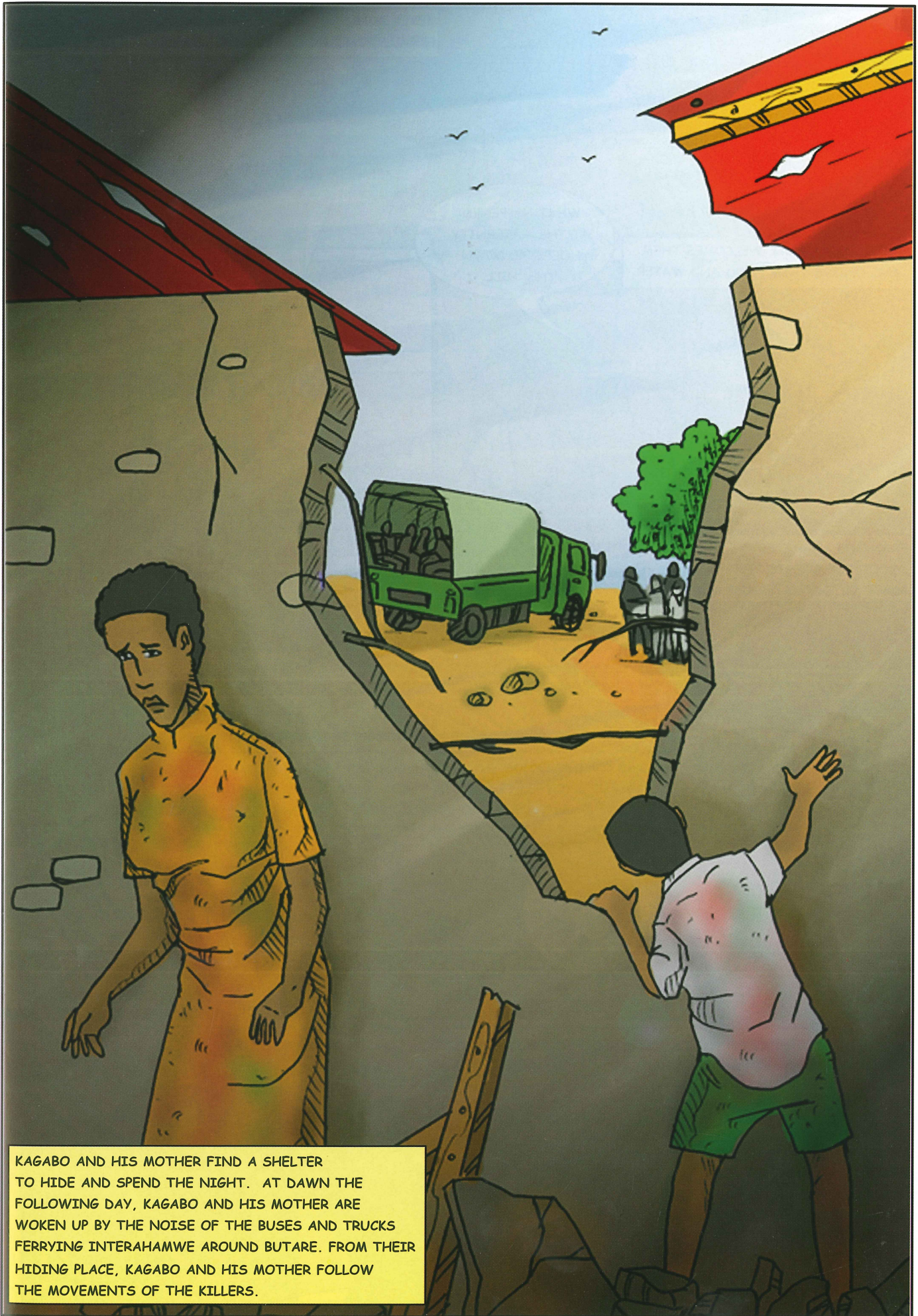
THE PREFECT OF BUTARE AND THE ONLY TUTSI PREFECT IN RWANDA IS SURROUNDED BY A MOB OF HUTU CIVILIANS

WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS, WE ARE INNOCENT RWANDANS, YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF YOUR ACTIONS

SHUT UP I AM NOT TALKING TO YOU

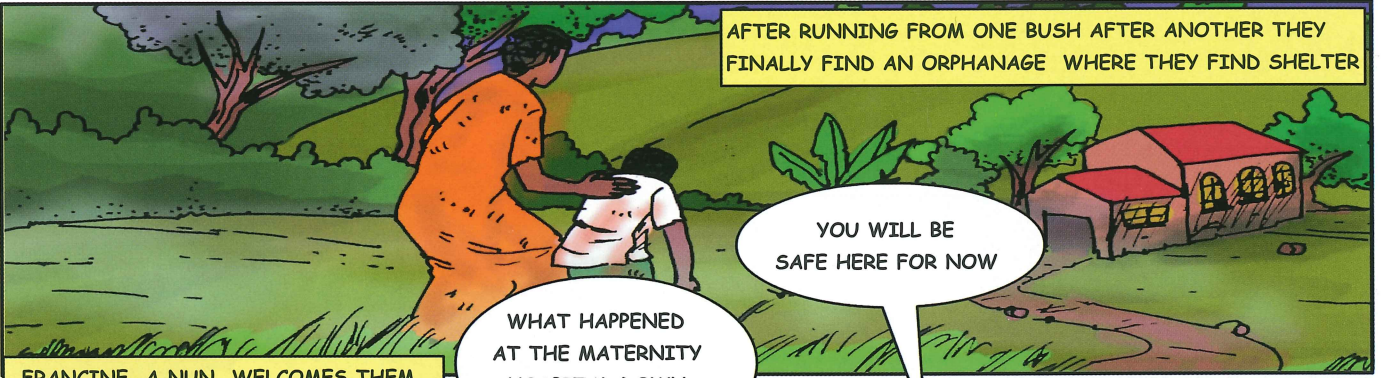
OR, I WILL KILL YOU PERSONALLY





KAGABO AND HIS MOTHER FIND A SHELTER TO HIDE AND SPEND THE NIGHT. AT DAWN THE FOLLOWING DAY, KAGABO AND HIS MOTHER ARE WOKEN UP BY THE NOISE OF THE BUSES AND TRUCKS FERRYING INTERAHAMWE AROUND BUTARE. FROM THEIR HIDING PLACE, KAGABO AND HIS MOTHER FOLLOW THE MOVEMENTS OF THE KILLERS.

AFTER RUNNING FROM ONE BUSH AFTER ANOTHER THEY FINALLY FIND AN ORPHANAGE WHERE THEY FIND SHELTER



YOU WILL BE SAFE HERE FOR NOW

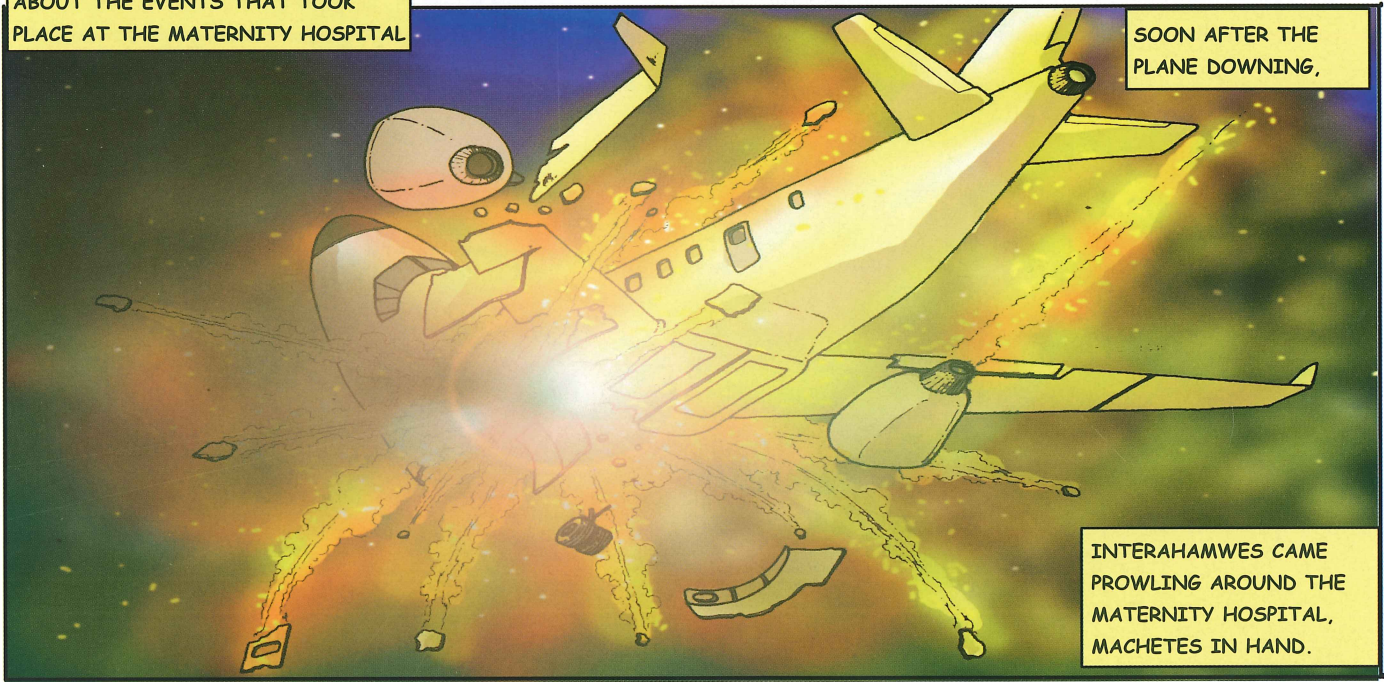
WHAT HAPPENED AT THE MATERNITY HOSPITAL DOWN THE HILL

FRANCINE, A NUN, WELCOMES THEM AND OFFERS THEM FOOD AND WATER



FRANCINE NARRATES TO THEM ABOUT THE EVENTS THAT TOOK PLACE AT THE MATERNITY HOSPITAL

SOON AFTER THE PLANE DOWNING,

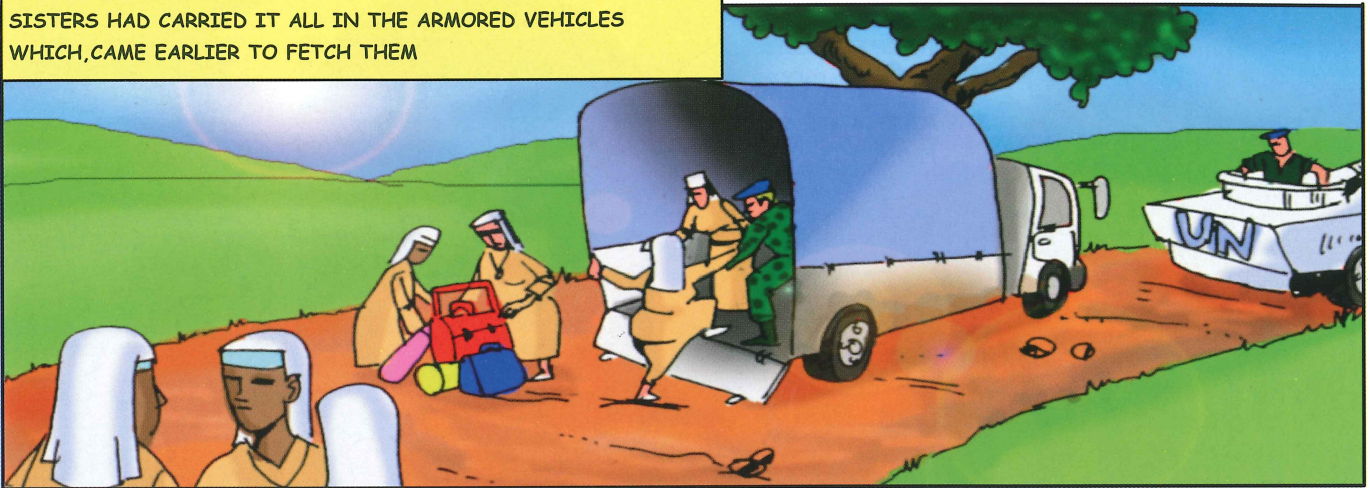


INTERAHAMWES CAME PROWLING AROUND THE MATERNITY HOSPITAL, MACHETES IN HAND.

ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE KILLINGS SOME SOLDIERS ARRIVED. THEY SAID, "IF YOU GIVE US MONEY, WE WILL KEEP THE INTERAHAMWES FROM COMING IN". THE SOLDIERS DEMANDED A LOT OF MONEY.



THE RWANDAN NUNS HAD NO MONEY LEFT, BECAUSE THE WHITE SISTERS HAD CARRIED IT ALL IN THE ARMORED VEHICLES WHICH, CAME EARLIER TO FETCH THEM



BUT THERE WERE MANY WOMEN GIVING BIRTH, MIDWIVES, AND MOTHERS WHO HAD COME SEEKING REFUGE. THE WOMEN TOOK UP A COLLECTION, THEY PUT THE WHOLE SUM TOGETHER AND THEY PAID



THE THIRD DAY THE NUNS COULD NO LONGER PAY SUCH A SUM. THE SOLDIERS SAID IT DIDN'T MATTER ANY MORE, BECAUSE THEY COULD NO LONGER DO ANYTHING FOR THEM. RIGHT AFTER THEY LEFT THE INTERAHAMWES CAME. THERE WERE VERY MANY, BECAUSE THEY KNEW THIS MATERNITY HOSPITAL WAS RICHLY EQUIPPED WITH FOOD AND MEDICINE



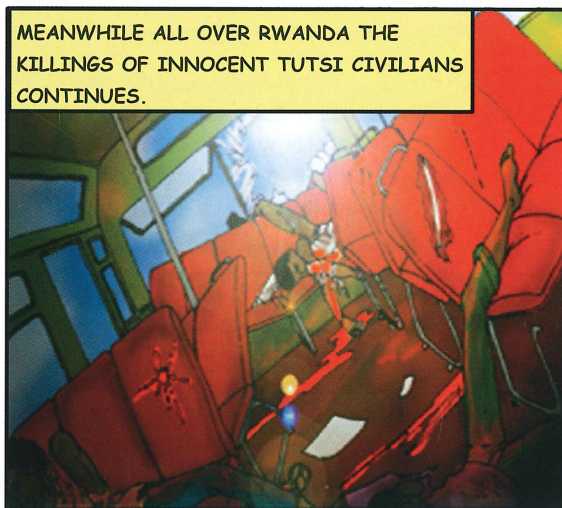
FIRST THEY KILLED EVERY ONE, BABIES WERE SMASHED AGAINST THE WALLS THEN THEY STOLE VALUABLES FROM THE DEAD PEOPLE AND FINALLY BURNED THE HOSPITAL



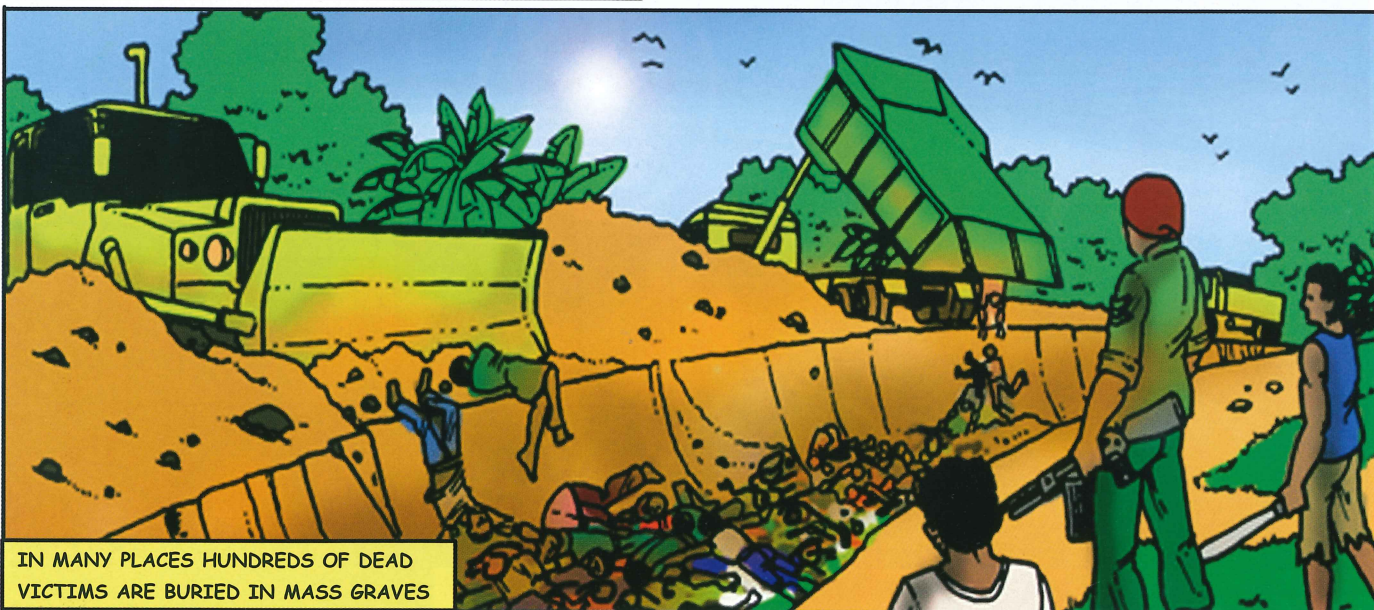
TUTSI REFUGEES IN THE BISESERO HILLS, HAVE BEEN FIGHTING OFF THE ATTACKS FROM THE MILITIA IN KIBUYE. THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR WEEKS.



THE MILITIA CALL FOR REINFORCEMENTS FROM THE ARMY AND POLICE WHO COME WITH SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS COMPARED TO THE ROCKS AND THE STICKS THE REFUGEES ARE USING.



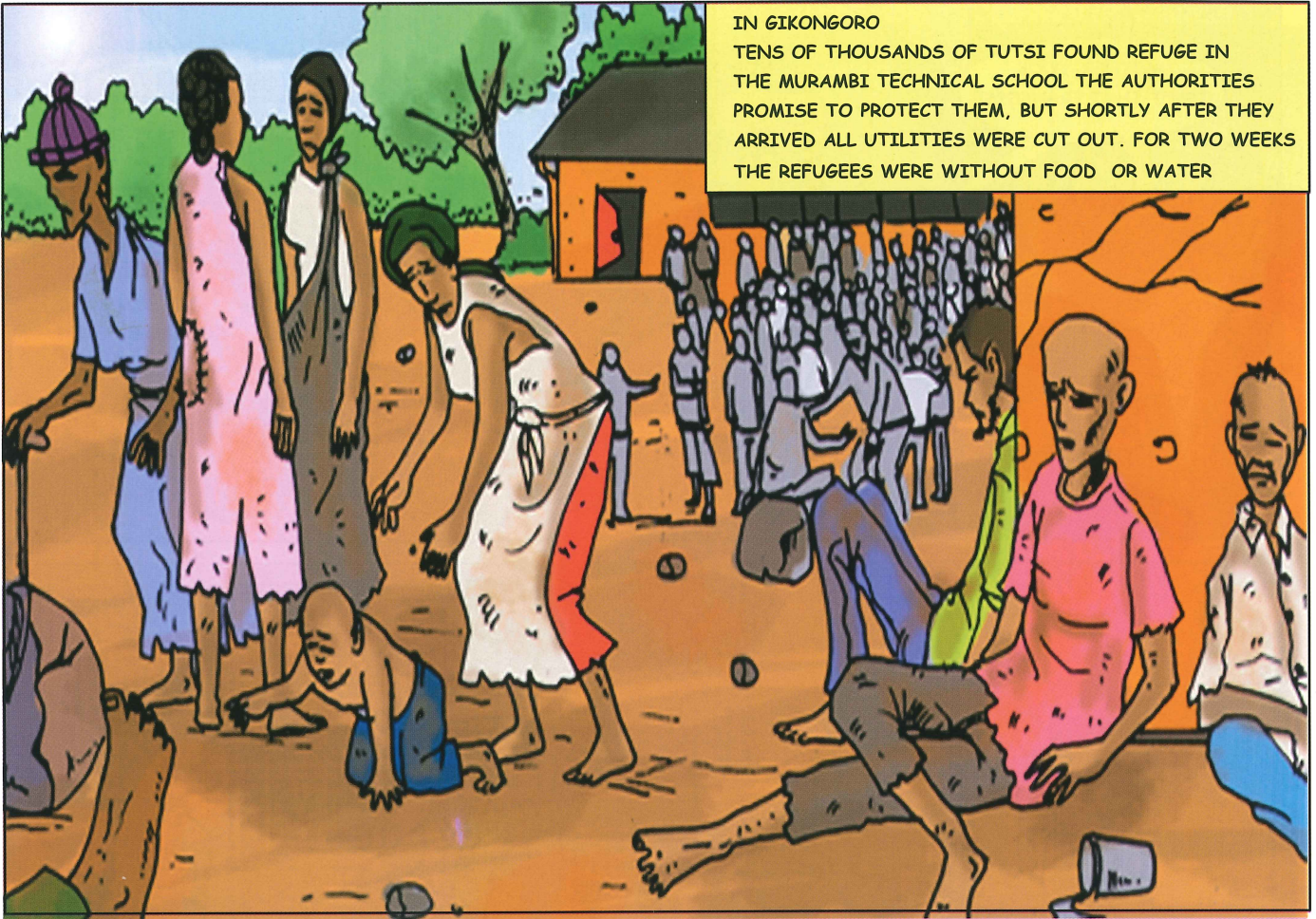
MEANWHILE ALL OVER RWANDA THE KILLINGS OF INNOCENT TUTSI CIVILIANS CONTINUES.



IN MANY PLACES HUNDREDS OF DEAD VICTIMS ARE BURIED IN MASS GRAVES

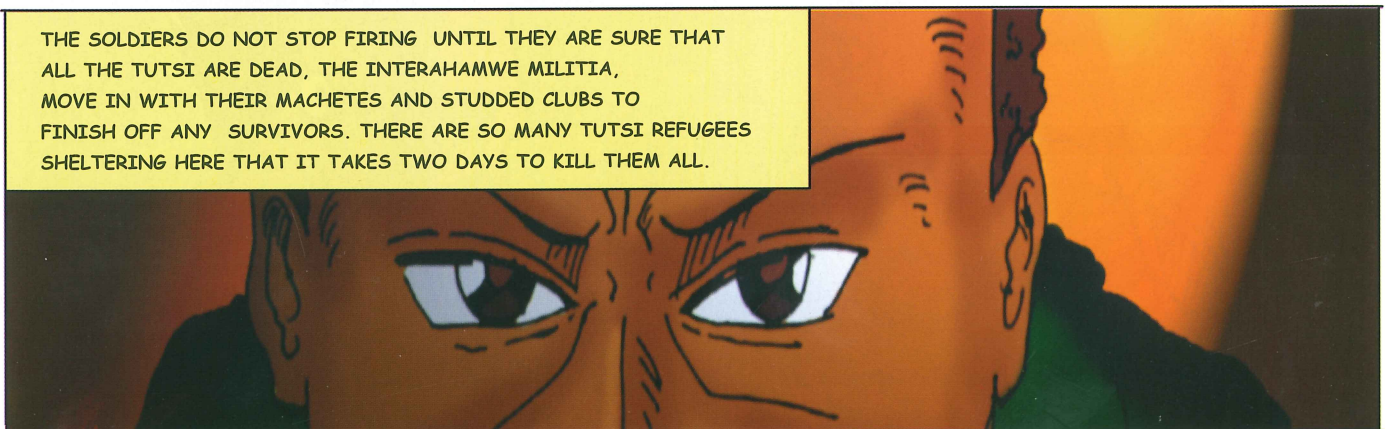
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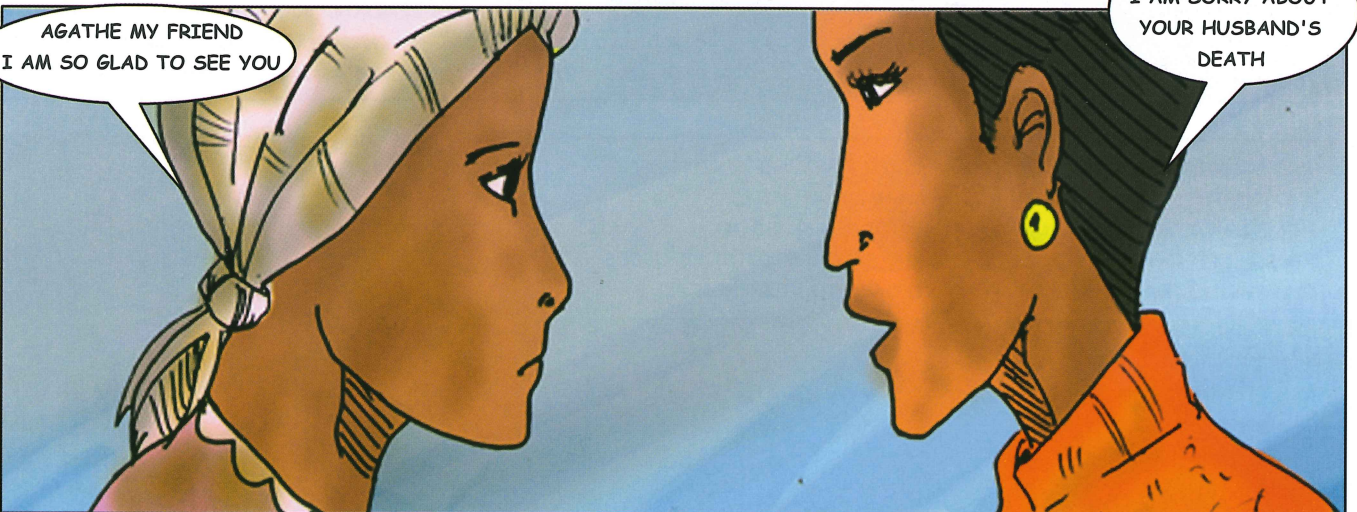
TENS OF THOUSANDS OF TUTSI FOUND REFUGE IN THE MURAMBI TECHNICAL SCHOOL THE AUTHORITIES PROMISE TO PROTECT THEM, BUT SHORTLY AFTER THEY ARRIVED ALL UTILITIES WERE CUT OUT. FOR TWO WEEKS THE REFUGEES WERE WITHOUT FOOD OR WATER



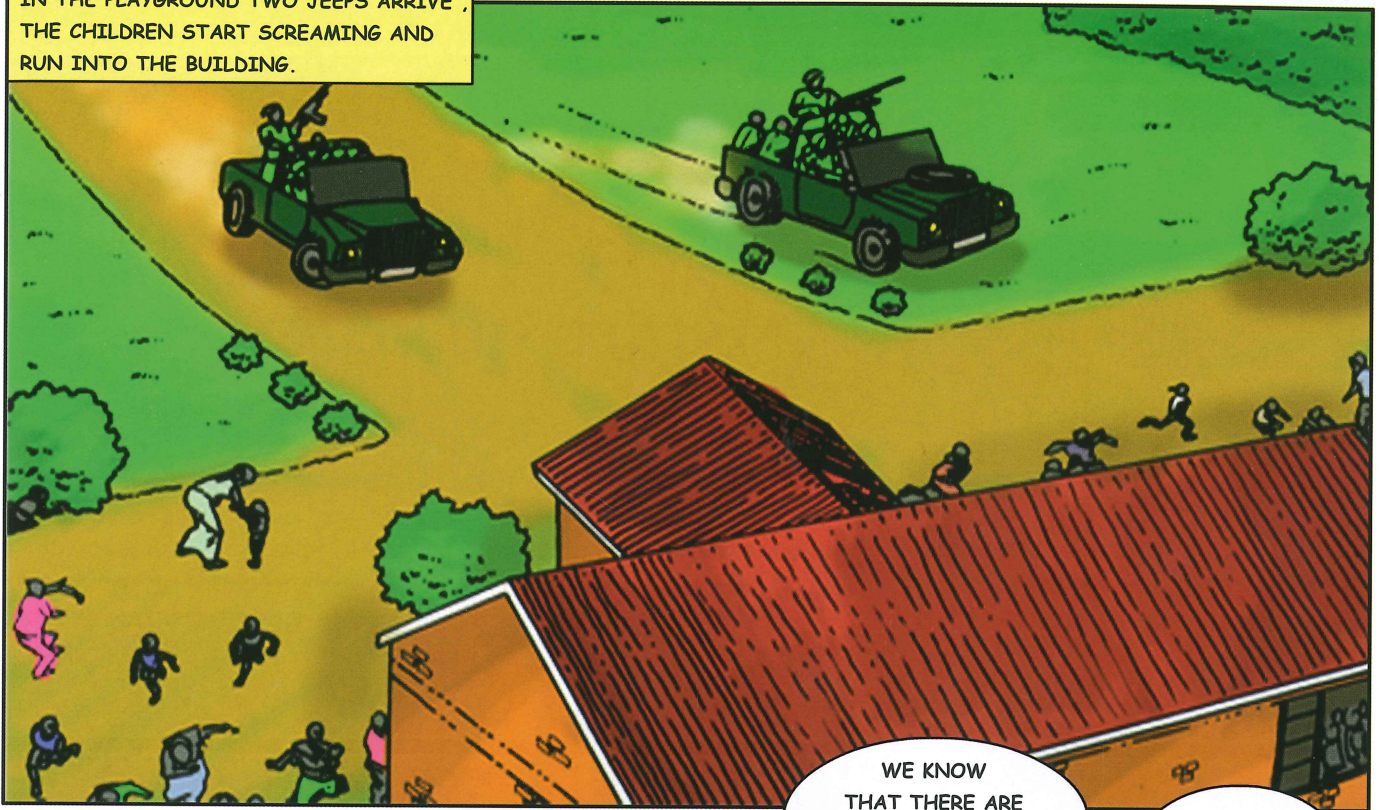
ONE EARLY MORNING BEFORE DAWN BUSES, TRUCKS AND VEHICLES FERRYING SOLDIERS AND INTERAHAMWE ENCIRCLE THE SCHOOL. THE REFUGEES ARE WOKEN UP BY SOUNDS OF GUNFIRE AND GRENADES EXPLOSIONS

THE SOLDIERS DO NOT STOP FIRING UNTIL THEY ARE SURE THAT ALL THE TUTSI ARE DEAD, THE INTERAHAMWE MILITIA, MOVE IN WITH THEIR MACHETES AND STUDED CLUBS TO FINISH OFF ANY SURVIVORS. THERE ARE SO MANY TUTSI REFUGEES SHELTERING HERE THAT IT TAKES TWO DAYS TO KILL THEM ALL.





IN THE PLAYGROUND TWO JEEPS ARRIVE ,
THE CHILDREN START SCREAMING AND
RUN INTO THE BUILDING.



HOW CAN I
HELP YOU GENTLEMEN



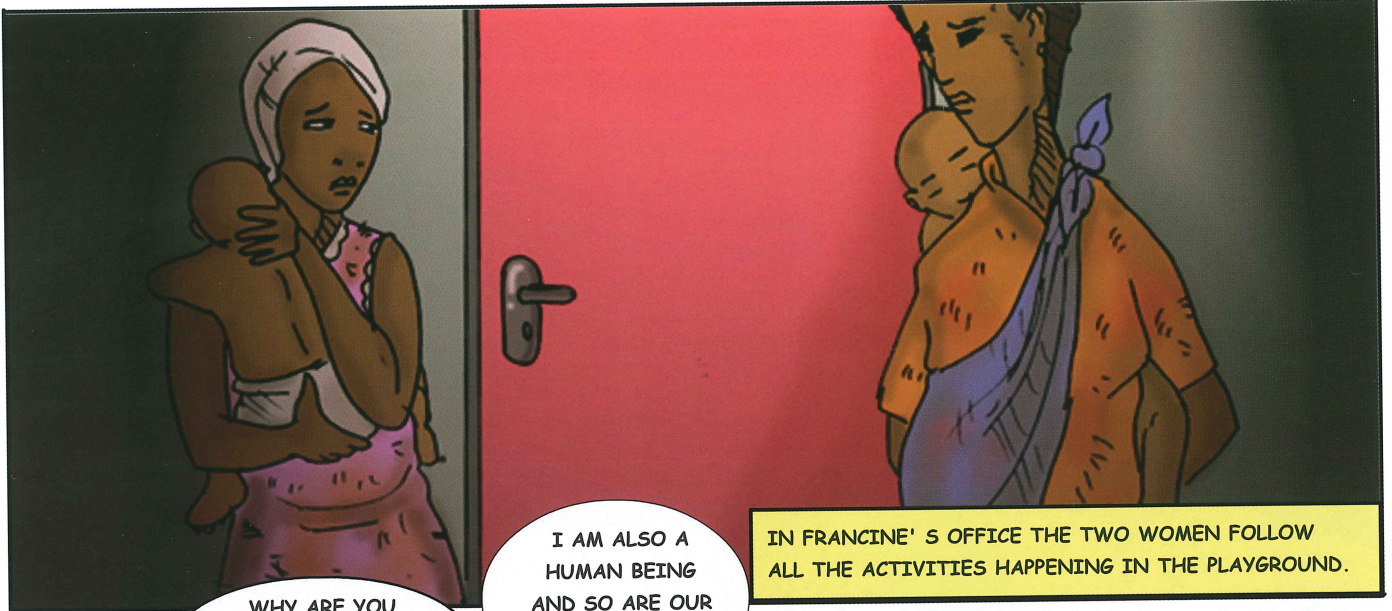
WE KNOW
THAT THERE ARE
COCKROACHES HIDING
IN THIS PLACE



SHOW US THE
TUTSI CHILDREN



THERE ARE NO
COCKROACHES HERE.
ONLY CHILDREN.



WHY ARE YOU BEING DIFFICULT? YOU ARE HUTU.

I AM ALSO A HUMAN BEING AND SO ARE OUR TUTSI BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

IN FRANCINE'S OFFICE THE TWO WOMEN FOLLOW ALL THE ACTIVITIES HAPPENING IN THE PLAYGROUND.



I CAN'T STAND ANY MORE OF THIS NONSENSE EVERYONE SEARCH THE PREMISE FOR ANY COCKROACHES.



HURRY UP THE SOLDIERS ARE COMING

KAGABO MY SON MAKE SURE THAT YOU REMAIN SILENT NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS.

THE TWO WOMEN DECIDE TO HIDE THE CHILDREN ON THE CEILING

AS SOON AS THEY MANAGE TO HIDE THE CHILDREN
THE DOORS ARE VIOLENTLY OPENED .THEY BOTH KNOW
THAT THIS IS THE END OF THE ROAD FOR THEM



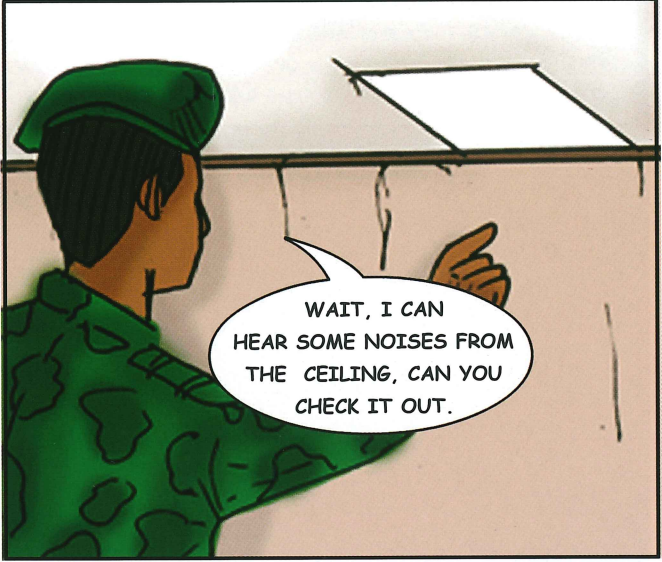
FOR THREE DAYS, THE FOUR CHILDREN STAYED
INSIDE THE CEILING, WITH NO FOOD OR WATER THEY WERE
TOO AFRAID TO GET OUT, PROBABLY FROM IMAGINING
THE SIGHT BELOW .TO FEED THE BABIES THEY GAVE THEM
FINGERS TO SUCK





LOOKS LIKE EVERYONE IS DEAD

ON THE FOURTH DAY VERY EARLY IN THE MORNING, RESCUE SOLDIERS ARRIVE AT THE ORPHANAGE LOOKING FOR SURVIVORS




WAIT, I CAN HEAR SOME NOISES FROM THE CEILING, CAN YOU CHECK IT OUT.



OH MY GOD! DON'T BE AFRAID I AM HERE TO HELP

WE HAVE SURVIVORS. QUICK HELP ME. GET THESE CHILDREN OUT OF THIS PLACE!

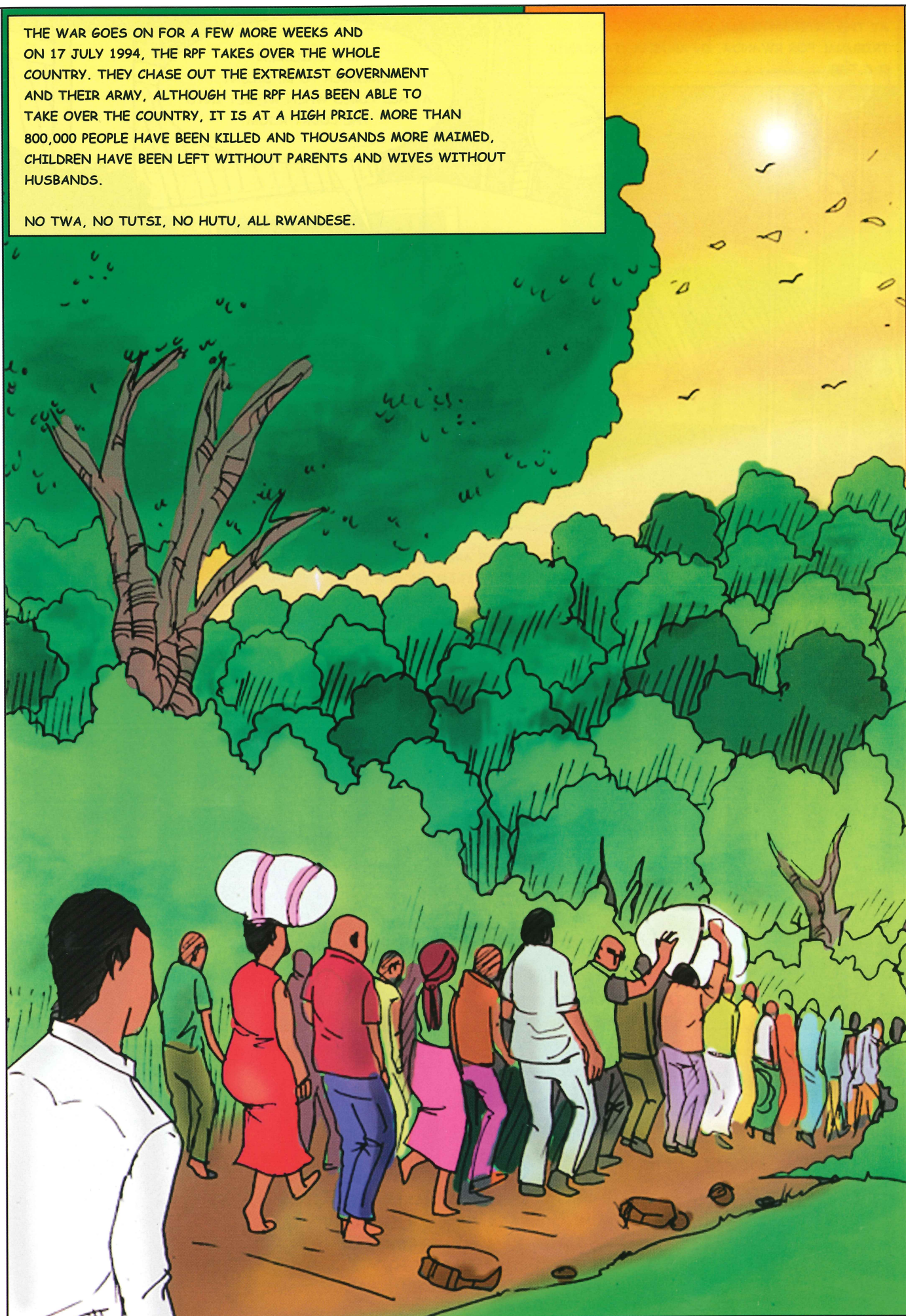


THE CHILDREN WILL BE TAKEN TO ANOTHER ORPHANAGE WHERE THEY WILL GET PROPER CARE AND ATTENTION. THEY BOTH DON'T HAVE PARENTS, BUT THEY HAVE INHERITED TWO BABIES,

THEY ARE TOO YOUNG TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IT MEANS TO BELONG TO AN ETHNIC COMMUNITY. THEY ARE JUST CHILDREN WHO WERE INVOLVED IN A CONFLICT THEY DID NOT UNDERSTAND, THEY ARE JUST CHILDREN WHO ONLY WANTED TO BE HOME WITH THEIR PARENTS AND PLAY WITH THEIR FRIENDS.

THE WAR GOES ON FOR A FEW MORE WEEKS AND ON 17 JULY 1994, THE RPF TAKES OVER THE WHOLE COUNTRY. THEY CHASE OUT THE EXTREMIST GOVERNMENT AND THEIR ARMY, ALTHOUGH THE RPF HAS BEEN ABLE TO TAKE OVER THE COUNTRY, IT IS AT A HIGH PRICE. MORE THAN 800,000 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN KILLED AND THOUSANDS MORE MAIMED, CHILDREN HAVE BEEN LEFT WITHOUT PARENTS AND WIVES WITHOUT HUSBANDS.

NO TWA, NO TUTSI, NO HUTU, ALL RWANDESE.



AT THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA, IN ARUSHA, TANZANIA (I.C.T.R)

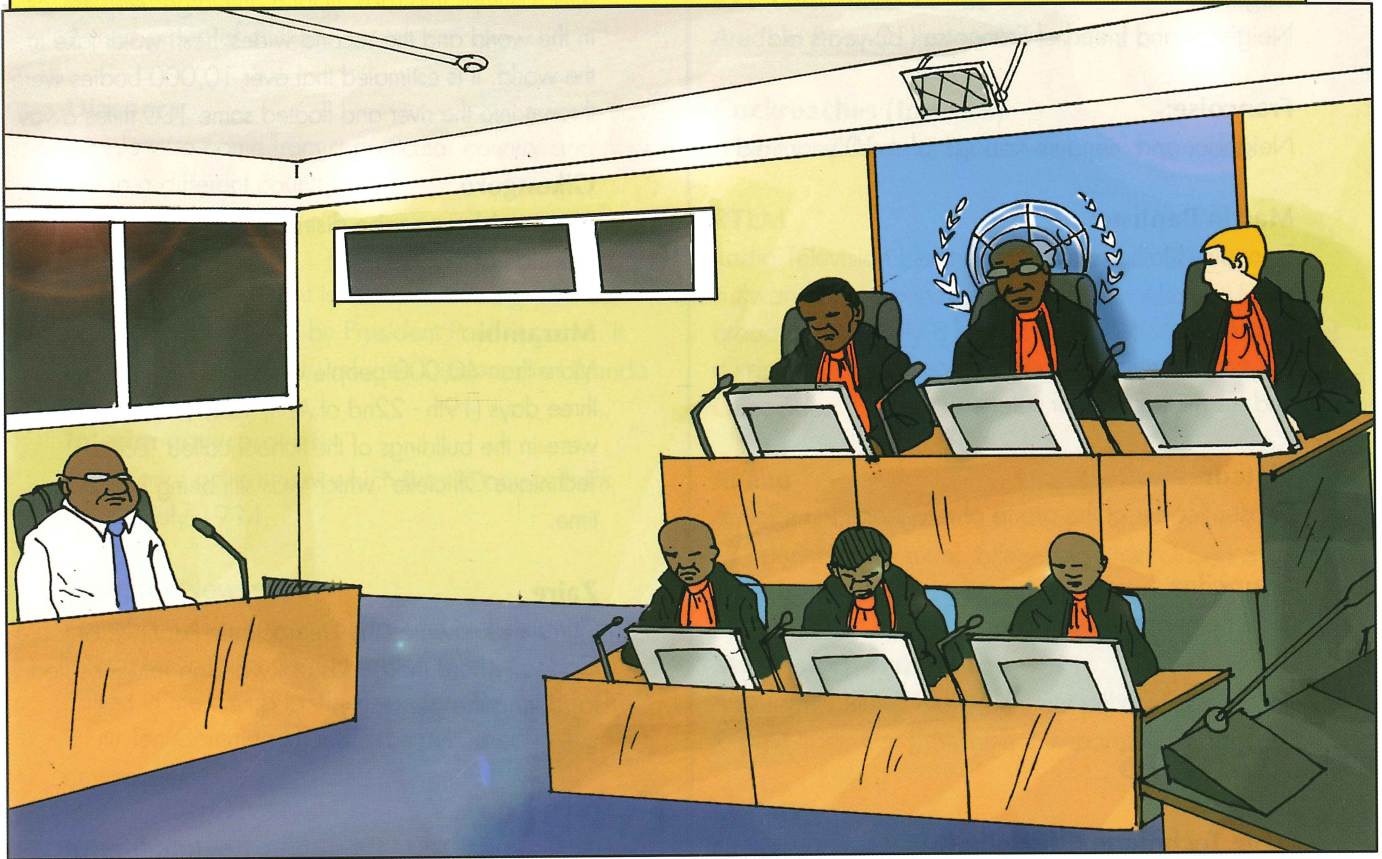
NOW CHILDREN, REMEMBER TO BE SILENT AT ALL TIMES WHEN WE GET INTO THE COURT ROOM

TODAY, WE ARE GOING TO WITNESS THE TRIAL OF ONE OF THE GENERALS ACCUSED OF PLANNING THE GENOCIDE IN RWANDA IN 1994

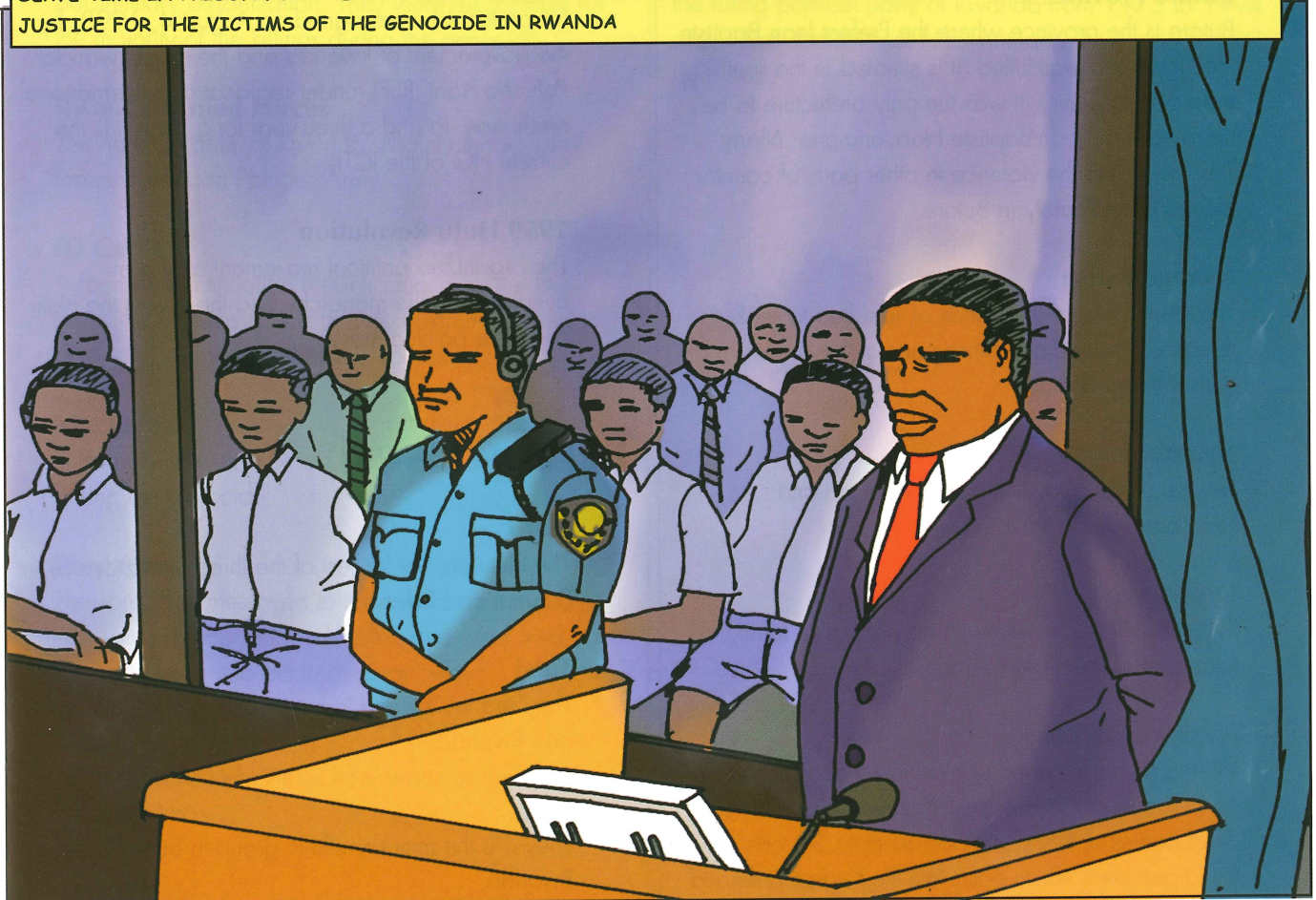
HAS THE COURT TAKEN ANYONE TO JAIL FOR THE CRIME OF GENOCIDE

YES, IT HAS, IN FACT MINISTERS, HEADS OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, ARMY OFFICERS, MILITIA LEADERS, JOURNALISTS, PRIESTS, PASTORS, BUSINESSMEN, AMONG MANY OTHER PROMINENT PERSONALITIES OF THE FORMER RWANDAN GOVERNMENT, HAVE BEEN SENT TO JAIL FOR THE ROLE THEY PLAYED IN THE GENOCIDE

THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA (I.C.T.R) WAS ESTABLISHED SOON AFTER THE RWANDAN GENOCIDE OF 1994 AND IT IS BASED IN ARUSHA, TANZANIA



THE COURT HAS SUCCEEDED IN ARRESTING MANY OF THE MAIN SUSPECTS WHO ARE SAID TO BEAR THE GREATEST RESPONSIBILITY IN TERMS OF PLANNING, FINANCING AND ORGANIZING, AND MANY MORE HAVE BEEN SENTENCED TO SERVE TIME IN PRISON FOR THE ROLE THEY PLAYED IN THE VIOLENCE, THERE CAN BE NO PEACE WITHOUT SOME FORM OF JUSTICE FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE GENOCIDE IN RWANDA



Characters

Kagabo:

Neighbor and friend of Françoise (10 years old)

Françoise:

Neighbor and friend of Kabago also 10 years old

Martin Baptiste:

Françoise's father who was a Hutu.

Francine

A Rwandan nun at the orphanage where Kabago and his mother flee for safety.

Viateur

Chosen leader of the group of refugees.

Councilor

Local neighbor to Françoise.

Locations

Ecole Technique Officielle (ETO)

A secondary school where many sought refuge.

Butare Province

Butare is the province where the Prefect Jean Baptiste Habyarimana was killed. It is situated in the south west of the country. It was the only prefecture to be run by a Tutsi, Jean-Baptiste Habyarimana. Many Tutsis who fled the violence in other parts of country moved to find safety in Butare.

Nyange Parish

The church where thousands of Tutsi fled to seek refuge as many did in other parts of the country during the genocide.

Nyamirambo

The neighborhood where both Kagabo and Françoise lived.

Orphanage

A home where children with no parents or family to take care of them live (orphans).

Nyabarongo River

Where many Tutsi tried to hide in the deep forests on the banks of this river, which carried thousands of dead bodies of Tutsi and moderate Hutu. It is one of the largest rivers which pours into the Kagera River and

which dumps into Lake Victoria, the largest tropical lake in the world and the second widest fresh water lake in the world. It is estimated that over 10,000 bodies were thrown into the river and floated some 100 miles away.

Gikongoro

A city in Nyamagabe district which is in the Southern Province of Rwanda.

Murambi

More than 40,000 people were killed in Murambi in three days (19th - 22nd of April 1994). These victims were in the buildings of the school called "Ecole Technique Officielle" which was still being built at the time.

Zaire

Currently known as the Democratic Republic of Congo, where thousands of Rwandan refugees fled to, during the genocide.

Events

Arusha Peace Talks (Simba Hall)

Peace talks held in Arusha where a set of five accords (or protocols) were signed on August 4, 1993, by the government of Rwanda and the rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF), under regional and international mediation, to end a three-year long War. It is the current HQ of the ICTR.

1959 Hutu Revolution

The organized political movement aimed at overthrowing the monarchy and the giving the Hutu complete political power.

Terms used

Hutu

The Hutu are the largest of the three ethnic groups in Burundi and Rwanda

Tutsi

They are the second largest ethnic group in Burundi and Rwanda.

Twa

They are the minority ethnic group in Burundi and Rwanda.

Militia

Armed group of civilians.

Diaspora

People who come from a particular country and now live in a different country.

RPF

Rwanda Patriotic Front is the current ruling political party of Rwanda, led by President Paul Kagame. It was formed by the Tutsi refugee Diaspora in Uganda.

Interim government

Transitional government which was in power from April to July 1994.

Kangura Newspaper

Kangura was a Kinyarwanda- and French-language magazine in Rwanda that served to stoke ethnic hatred in the run-up to the Rwandan Genocide. The 'Hutu Ten Commandments' was published in this newspaper.

Interahamwe

The Interahamwe (Kinyarwanda meaning "those who stand/work/fight/attack together") is a Hutu paramilitary organization. They were responsible for the majority of the killings during the genocide.

Rwanda Armed Forces

The national army of Rwanda. Mainly made up of former Rwandan Patriotic Army.

ID Cards

A form of identification first introduced by the Belgians, which was issued by the government giving details on ethnicity and other information.

Machetes

A large knife with a broad blade used as a weapon during the genocide.

Propaganda

The spread of messages to the public often including lies, using newspapers, television and other media to influence people to act in a certain way.

Loot

When people steal things from shops or homes during a riot or chaos.

RPF controlled Zones

Areas in Rwanda that were controlled by the RPF.

Cockroaches (Inyenze)

A term used to describe Tutsi during the genocide.

RTLM

Radio Télévision Libre des Mille Collines (RTLM) was a Rwandan radio station set up by the Akazu which broadcast from July 8, 1993 to July 31, 1994. It played a significant role during the April-July 1994 Rwandan Genocide.

Akazu

An informal organization of people close to the former President Habyarimana alleged to have played a key role in the genocide.

Multi-Party democracy

A system in which many different political parties compete to gain control of government, separately or in coalition

MRND

National Republican Movement for Democracy and Development (French: Mouvement républicain national pour la démocratie et le développement, MRND) was the ruling political party of Rwanda from 1975 to 1994 under President Juvénal Habyarimana. It was dominated by Hutus.



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