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To: Honorable Antonio Guterres, Secretary General of the United Nations, in New York City, USA

CC:- D.R.C Missions in United Nations in New York City, USA

- UN Security Council Permanent Members in New York City, USA
- All UN Missions Representatives in New York City, USA

Subject: Alert on ongoing Genocide Against Congolese Tutsi/Banyamulenge in Eastern DRC

We, the survivors and victims of massacres in Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), are urgently sounding the alarm about the ongoing genocide targeting the Tutsi and Banyamulenge communities. Despite ongoing negotiations involving AFC/M23 with the current government with the mediation of the Qatari government, and the U.S. government delegation, the violence continues unabated.

The Tutsi and Banyamulenge population in Kivu and the Hema people in Ituri Province, are being selectively targeted killed, displaced, and having their homes, property, and livelihoods looted and destroyed solely because of their ethnicity.

We are raising big concerns of Banyamulenge villages of Minembwe and surrounding areas that have been put under siege with no access to any essential humanitarian assistance since 2017.

These atrocities are being perpetrated by extremist militia groups, known as “Wazalendo,” which are armed, financed, and coordinated by the government of President Félix Tshisekedi.

We are particularly concerned about the participation of officials, public figures, human rights activists and media at the event titled **“Thirty Years of Armed Conflicts in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: Call for the Recognition of Forgotten or Ignored Genocides, for Truth and Justice,”** scheduled for September 22, 2025, in New York City. This event is organized by the DRC government, which bears full responsibility for the crimes committed against the



Congolese Tutsi/Banyamulenge for since the 1990's as described in many reports such as the recent Human Right Watch report of September 15, 2025.

On September 19th, 2025, we urged the New York City Mayor Eric Adams to reconsider his participation in this event, as such involvement could be interpreted as endorsing the DRC government's inflammatory rhetoric, hate speech, and campaigns of targeting against the Congolese Tutsi.

His Participation risks exacerbating the ongoing dangers faced by our community in Eastern DRC such the endangered Tutsi/Banyamulenge population in South Kivu Province especially in the City of Uvira that are besieged by militia "Wazalendo" armed and financed by the government in Kinshasa.

We are alerting the U.S. administration, the Qatar government, the UN Security council members and international partners to press the government of Kinshasa to stop arming, financing extremist militia against its own citizens and seek for a lasting resolution to the conflict through dialogue.

As survivors of atrocities committed against us because of our ethnic identity, we have fled systemic persecution and killings without protection from the DRC government.

We call upon the international community to take immediate action to protect our community and hold the DRC government accountable for these crimes.

Sincerely,

On Behalf of the Congolese Tutsi/Banyamulenge diaspora in the USA

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