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**PRESS RELEASE**

**ON THE OCCASION OF THE 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF GENOCIDE IN RWANDA, THE FDU-INKINGI JOINS ALL VICTIMS OF THE RWANDAN TRAGEDY IN THEIR MOURING.**

At this time of painful memories for the entire Rwandan people, the FDU-INKINGI join all the victims of the genocide against the Tutsis and other mass crimes and crimes against humanity, and of other crimes considered to be genocide but not yet officially acknowledged as such, in mourning their loved ones killed a quarter of a century ago. The FDU-Inkingi takes this opportunity to condemn in the strongest terms possible any acts that violates the physical integrity of the human person.

On the other hand, FDU-INKINGI condemns the instrumentalization of the Tutsi genocide for political purposes in order to perpetuate the ruling RPF. The war in Rwanda since October 1, 1990 and the horrors that accompanied it have grieved all Rwandan families without exception. We believe that every Rwandan has the right to mourn his or her loved ones while respecting the pain of others. Discriminatory mourning is serious and dangerous because it hinders genuine national reconciliation. In the interests of equity, and in order to achieve the objective of true reconciliation, further steps must be taken to recognize other mass crimes that have plagued Rwandans, and to allow all Rwandans who have lost their loved ones to mourn them and heal their wounds.

The FDU-INKINGI leitmotiv is *"For a people reconciled in a state of rule of law"*. There is only one Rwanda and no matter what has happened, Hutu, Tutsi, Twa and other categories of Rwandans have no choice but to live together, in equality and mutual respect. This is why the objective pursued by the FDU-INKINGI is to contribute to the construction of a Rwandan society reconciled with its past and history, where each individual, of whatever social strata, feels comforted in his pain and his merits acknowledged and where no one is above the law with regard to his responsibilities in the crimes committed in Rwanda.

This 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary must be an opportunity for Rwandans and friends of Rwandans to reflect and explore all the ways that promote living together in harmony. These ways include an inclusive dialogue between the regime and all stakeholders including the political opposition and civil society forces. They necessarily require the acknowledgement of all the tragedies that have plunged the Rwandan society into mourning.

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