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We, KAGAME Paul,

President of the Republic;

Pursuant to the Constitution of the Republic of Rwanda of 2003 revised in 2015, especially in Articles 112, 122 and 176;

Pursuant to Law n° 15/2016 of 02/05/2016 governing ceremonies to commemorate Genocide against the Tutsi and organisation and management of memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi, especially in Article 15;

On proposal by the Minister of Justice/Attorney General;

After consideration and approval by the Cabinet, in its session of 28/01/2019;

HAVE ORDERED AND ORDER:

Article One – Purpose of this Order

This Order determines the modalities for consolidation of memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi to ensure better management and sustainable preservation.

Article 2 – Criteria for consolidation of memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi

Consolidation of memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi is based on at least one of the following reasons:

- 1° relocation of all graves of victims of the Genocide against the Tutsi and burial of bodies therein in memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi;
- 2° memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi erected in high-risk zones, which may lead to their destruction or damage by natural hazard-induced disasters, due to the state of the location where they are erected;
- 3° memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi which contain less than one thousand (1,000) of bodies with the exception of memorial sites with particular history to the extent that their preservation may be difficult once consolidated;
- 4° memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi which are erected in areas which do not facilitate visitors to easily reach them and such areas may not be rehabilitated;
- 5° memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi that are in the vicinity of one another and share particularities regarding the preparation and execution of the Genocide against Tutsi;
- 6° memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi located in noisy and uncomfortable environment.

Article 3 – Institutions responsible for consolidation of memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi

Depending on the category of memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi, the National Commission for the Fight against Genocide, the Ministry in charge of foreign affairs and the District where memorial sites are located may take the decision of consolidating memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi, basing on reasons stated in Article 2 of this Order.

In case of the decision to consolidate the memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi, the organs referred to in Paragraph One of this Article do so in collaboration with the Ministry in charge of memorial sites for the Genocide against the Tutsi and the associations for the defense of interests of Genocide survivors.

Article 4 – Repealing provision

All prior provisions contrary to this Order are repealed.

Article 5 – Commencement

This Order comes into force on the date of its publication in the Official *Gazette* of the Republic of Rwanda.