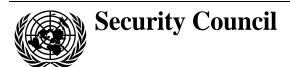
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In accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the following communiqué was issued through the Secretary-General in place of a verbatim record:

"At its 4609th meeting, held in private on 17 September 2002, the Security Council considered the item entitled 'The situation in Burundi'.

"The President, with the consent of the Council, invited His Excellency Mr. Tèrence Sinunguruza, Minister for External Relations and Cooperation of Burundi to participate in the discussion in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

"The Minister for External Relations and Cooperation of Burundi and the members of the Council had a constructive discussion."

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