

# Who Triggered the Rwandan Genocide? UN Investigator Michael Hourigan, the Key Testimony

Michael Hourigan speaks about Louise Arbour and April 6, '94 Assassination of Rwandan President Habyarimana

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Late Rwandan President Juvénal Habyarimana

*Shortly before Michael Hourigan passed away in December 2103, Julien Teil interviewed him about the assassination of Rwandan President Juvénal Habyarimana and Burundian President Cyprien Ntaryamira on April 6, 1994. That was the crime that triggered the massacres in Rwanda in 1994. But nobody wants to talk about that crime.*



Michael Hourigan (1958-2013) was the UN investigator whom Chief Prosecutor mandated to investigate the shooting down of the presidential plane. When Michael Hourigan and his team established beyond doubt that Paul Kagame and the RPF, who now rule Rwanda, ordered and carried out that assassination, Louise Arbour quashed the investigation.

No official international investigation into that crime has been conducted ever since. As Colonel Luc Marchal, who commanded Belgian troops in Kigali in 1994, put it:

*“Who is powerful enough to have prevented a real international inquiry from casting light upon the events that occurred when President Habyarimana was flying home from a regional summit in Dar Es-Salaam?”*

Video

*Global Research pays tribute to the late Michael Hourigan, who courageously revealed the truth regarding the Rwanda genocide.*

For more information about the Rwandan tragedy read Robin Philpot [Rwanda and the New Scramble for Africa](#). Also available from [Global Research](#)

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