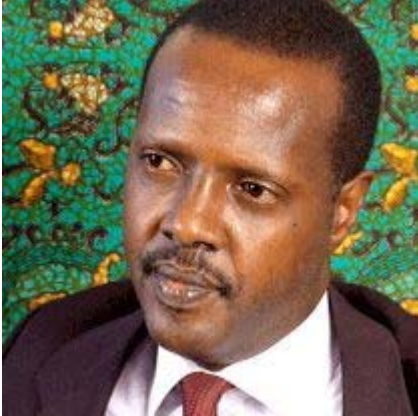




Voices from the Rwanda Tribunal

Official Transcript: Richard Karegyesa (Highlight)



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In this highlight, Richard Karegyesa speaks on...
the challenge of investigating crimes of genocide

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- 00:00 So from a pre-war, pre-genocide population of 8,000,000, you know, you've got about 4,000,000 people in Rwanda. All severely traumatized whether they're perpetrators or, you know, or victim survivors. Y-, and in a highly polarized society.
- 00:24 So yes, I mean investigating such crimes is a big challenge, you know. Where do you start and, and, and how do you, how do you prioritize? Because it was country-wide, you know. You know, so yeah there, there, there were challenges; you had investigators and prosecutors. Nobody had ever, you know, prosecuted or investigated genocide, you know, since Nuremburg. And even in Nuremburg it was crimes against humanity and war crimes rather than genocide.
- 01:00 So yes it, it, it was very difficult; there were challenges. There's linguistic, cultural – because we didn't have Rwandan investigators. You know, the judiciary, members of the judiciary, i.e., judges, prosecutors and judicial police were either dead or in flight, you know. So, you know, we basically started from scratch.