



Voices from the Rwanda Tribunal

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In this highlight, Roland Adjovi speaks on...
reconciliation in Rwanda and beyond

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- 00:00 So you have a part of this society used to kill the other parts. Reconciliation has an obvious meaning— making sure that these people can still live together tomorrow and forgive to each other. What’s happened in Rwanda, you have neighbors who kill their neighbors with whom they have been in harmony or in s-, a sort of harmony before.
- 00:33 You have family member killing other family member. You have something completely – a destroyed so-, society when one man turn against the other. Reconciliation in such society is making sure that they can still live together and forgive to each other. So to my understanding, that was what reconciliation would have meant for the case of Rwanda; making sure that Rwandan can still live together even if they are Tutsi, Hutu or Twa.
- 01:08 But this is not only a story about Rwanda. This affect everyone not only Rwanda. There are at the heart of the crisis but it affect all human being. When you talk about crime against hu-, humanity, it’s something which affect the human being in its dignity, so all of us are affected and if the tribunal could assist all of us to reconcil-, r-, to reconcile with each other, why not? It will be a good achievement but that’s still part of the ideal of our society.