



SAVE DARFUR PETITION



Dear Mr. President,

As a candidate you promised “unstinting resolve” to end the genocide in Darfur. I urge you to keep that promise by making Darfur a priority from day one of your term to achieve:

- Protection of civilians from violence, starvation and disease*
- Sustainable peace for all Sudan*
- Justice for victims and accountability for perpetrators*

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DARFUR by the NUMBERS:

300,000

The death toll from both direct and indirect causes, estimated by the United Nations

2,700,000

The number of Darfuris, estimated by the United Nations, who have lost their homes since the start of the conflict and now live in internally displaced persons (IDP) camps in Sudan or refugee camps in neighboring Chad

3,500,000

The number of people in the Darfur region reliant on humanitarian aid

1994

Not since the Rwandan genocide of 1994 has the world seen such a calculated campaign of displacement, starvation, rape and mass slaughter

What IS THE CONFLICT?

Responding to a rebellion in 2003, the regime of Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir and its allied militia, known as the Janjaweed, launched a campaign of destruction against civilians of similar ethnic background as the rebels. They wiped out entire villages, destroyed food and water supplies, stole livestock and systematically murdered, tortured and raped women and children. **The Sudanese government's genocidal campaign has claimed hundreds of thousands of lives through direct violence, disease and starvation, and continues to destabilize the region.** Millions have fled their homes and live in dangerous camps in Darfur, and hundreds of thousands are refugees in neighboring Chad.

What IS THE CRISIS?

The crisis in Darfur continues unabated. Government-sponsored terror is ongoing, and an increase of in-fighting among the various rebel groups and factions has added a new layer of complexity to the conflict. Resulting violence and instability have made it dangerous, if not impossible, for most of the millions of displaced persons to return to their homes. Humanitarian aid agencies face growing obstacles to bringing widespread relief. **The government-backed militias continue to attack civilian populations with impunity.**

What IS THE SOLUTION?

The U.S. government has recognized these atrocities as “genocide,” and the U.N. Security Council decided in July 2007 to deploy an international force to protect civilians. Unfortunately, the force has yet to be fully deployed, peace remains elusive, and the people of Darfur remain vulnerable. Ultimately, the solution to the Darfur crisis lies in a just and inclusive peace agreement and a strong peacekeeping force.

The **Save Darfur Coalition** needs your help to raise public awareness and increase pressure on the President, Congress, the United Nations, and leaders around the world to act now to save the millions of people whose lives are threatened. **Please join us today!**

Save Darfur Coalition is an alliance of more than 180 faith-based, advocacy and human rights organizations that raises public awareness about the ongoing genocide in Darfur and mobilizes a unified response to the atrocities that threaten the lives of people throughout the Darfur region. The coalition's member organizations represent 130 million people of all ages, races, religions and political affiliations united together to help the people of Darfur.

Join the Movement to End Genocide: Visit SaveDarfur.org today.