

Dear President Trump,



CC: The Honorable Mike Pence, Vice President
The Honorable Rex Tillerson, Secretary of State
The Honorable Nikki Haley, Ambassador to the United Nations

We ask that the Administration immediately appoint a Special Envoy for Sudan and South Sudan in order to bring urgently needed diplomatic leadership to facilitate efforts to bring peace in and between the two countries. The complex conflicts in both Sudan and South Sudan present unique challenges that require a high-level senior U.S. diplomatic official to lead policy coordination and collaboration with members of the Troika, African Union, European Union, and United Nations.

We also urge the Administration to focus its attention on reintroducing targeted sanctions against key individuals in the Sudanese regime. In January 2017 the U.S. lifted sanctions on Sudan, pending a six-month trial period to determine if the Sudanese government has made progress in resolving the various conflicts and improving humanitarian access across Sudan. With one month to go in the six-month trial period before its expiration in July 2017, it is clear that the government of Sudan is not willing to change its ways.

The Government of Sudan continues to block humanitarian aid from reaching war-affected populations, negotiations between the government and the rebel opposition has remained at a standstill, and attacks, arrests, and displacement continue. The U.S. must respond and make it clear to the Sudanese government that without concrete policy changes, sanctions and other coercive measures will be reinstated.

Finally, we urge the Administration to work to bring justice to the people of Sudan by providing incentives and disincentives to allied nations to help bring indicted President Omar al-Bashir to appear before the International Criminal Court (ICC) to be judged on allegations of war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide in the Darfur region of Sudan.

Sincerely,

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Christian Solidarity International-USA

Coalition of Advocates for South Sudan

Collectif Urgence Darfour - France

Concerned Citizens For Change

Damanga Coalition for Freedom and Democracy

Darfur and Beyond
Euro-African Forum on Rights and Development
Genocide No More--Save Darfur
Global Partnership for Peace in South Sudan
Help Nuba
Human Rights & Advocacy Network for Democracy (HAND)
International Refugee Rights Initiative
Investors Against Genocide
Jewish World Watch
Kol Shalom, Social Action Committee
Massachusetts Coalition to Save Darfur
My Sister's Keeper
Never Again Coalition
Nuba Mountains Advocacy Group
Nuba Now
NYC Genocide Prevention Coalition
Oregon Coalition for Humanity
Presbyterian Church (USA)
Same Difference Interfaith Alliance
San Francisco Bay Area Darfur Coalition
Stop Genocide Now
Sudan Unlimited
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