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DARFUR – Humanitarian Emergency

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DARFUR EMERGENCY – NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

SOURCE

Conflict-Affected Persons in Darfur and Eastern Chad	2.61 million people	U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in Darfur	1.85 million people	OCHA
Sudanese Refugees in Eastern Chad	193,000 people in camps	U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
Conflict-Affected Persons in Darfur Receiving Food Assistance	1.4 million people during March 1.6 million people during February	U.N. World Food Program (WFP)

Total FY 2005 USG Humanitarian Assistance for the Darfur Emergency (to date)\$357,152,868

Total FY 2003 – 2005 USG Humanitarian Assistance for the Darfur Emergency.....\$615,598,548

CURRENT HUMANITARIAN SITUATION

Security

- According to a joint U.N./African Union (AU) press release, approximately 350 Arab militia attacked the Sudan Liberation Movement/Army (SLM/A)-held village of Khor Abeche in South Darfur on April 7, following months of rising tension. The attack resulted in the looting of all market shops and the burning of an estimated 2,000 huts, according to field reports. One non-governmental organization (NGO) reported the arrival of approximately 95 families in nearby Manawashi, while other displaced persons are likely scattered in surrounding areas. The U.N. released the name of the leader of the offensive, Nasir Al Tijani Abdul Kadir, in an attempt to break the culture of impunity in Darfur.
- Two U.N. World Food Program (WFP) convoys were stopped in SLM/A-held territory in North Darfur. According to the U.N., on April 6, a WFP convoy was stopped in Cindi, while traveling en route from Mellit to Malha. All WFP-marked vehicles in the convoy were allowed to continue; however, a commercial truck hired by a WFP cooperating partner containing 25 metric tons (MT) of food commodities was detained along with the driver. On April 11, the SLM/A stopped a 16-vehicle convoy of WFP and commercial trucks in Mado, between Malha and Mellit.
- According to the USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team (USAID/DART), an estimated 15,000 to 25,000 people who had been located in Tawilah, North Darfur, have fled south following a security incident in Tawilah on March 31 where one policeman was killed and one woman was seriously injured in the crossfire. The humanitarian community has encouraged the AU to conduct a fly-over of the Tawilah area to locate this population.

Food Assistance

- According to WFP, the overall caseload of food assistance beneficiaries for April has been adjusted to 2.1 million people. WFP’s target caseload for March was 1.9 million beneficiaries. To meet the new target, 40,000 metric tons (MT) of food will need to be dispatched to the 206 current distribution points. In addition, WFP plans to pre-position another 6,000 MT in West Darfur this month, bringing the overall food deliveries in April for Darfur to more than 46,000 MT.
- In response to anticipated pipeline breaks, WFP reported that non-cereals rations (sugar, pulses, vegetable oil, and salt) will be halved starting in May to stretch out supplies until at least September. Supplementary and therapeutic feeding programs will continue to receive normal rations.

- According to WFP, ongoing beneficiary re-registration exercises continue in all three Darfur states despite cancellations due to security alerts in Gobe, Mangarsa and Tundusa in West Darfur, and Abu Shouk in North Darfur. To date, headcounts are complete in 58 percent of IDP camps/locations.

Food Security

- The Italian NGO Cooperazione e Sviluppo (CESVI) reported that the food security situation for IDPs between Nyala and Kass in South Darfur remains extremely vulnerable. According to an agricultural and livestock survey conducted by CESVI from October 2004 to February 2005 in thirteen conflict-affected communities hosting IDPs, just two of the assessed villages receive food assistance and the others are not supported by any food or medical international relief. CESVI reported a significant increase in commodity prices at the different market levels from the 2003 to the 2004 season, with the exception of groundnuts and onion crops.

Protection

- Despite the need for a decreased amount of wood due to fuel efficient stove use, IDPs in West Darfur report continuing to gather additional firewood to generate income. Preliminary reports indicate that despite a 20 to 50 percent increase in fuel efficiency and decreased time spent cooking, women continue to gather the same amount of firewood. In some cases, women with fuel efficient stoves are making the same number of trips to gather wood as they were previously. The behavior of individuals risking personal safety to generate income to supplement humanitarian assistance is often observed in refugee or IDP communities.

Health

- Following the declaration of a meningitis epidemic in Saraf Omra, North Darfur, a mass vaccination campaign in Saraf Omra urban and rural areas occurred from April 2 to 7. Out of an estimated urban population of 35,842 people, 25,089 were targeted and 21,040 were vaccinated, yielding an 83.9 percent vaccination coverage rate. Out of an estimated rural population of 17,243, 12,070 people were targeted, yielding an estimated coverage rate of 75.3 percent for the targeted population. The rural population vaccinated also included 2,512 people located in West Darfur.
- From April 2 to 8, there were three suspected meningitis cases in Zam Zam camp and two suspected cases and one death in Abu Shouk camp. The North Darfur State Ministry of Health (MOH) has conducted meningitis training courses for 48 medical assistants and 19 medical doctors on surveillance, case management, and outbreak investigation.
- According to the USAID/DART, bloody diarrhea remains a prevalent cause of morbidity and mortality in the under 5 population in Darfur, resulting in 7.5 percent of all reported deaths for this category during the past month (epidemiological weeks 11 -14). In particular, bloody diarrhea remains a concern in the Zam Zam and Abu Shouk IDP camps.

International Donors' Conference

- A two-day International Donors' Conference was held in Oslo, Norway, on April 11 and 12 to raise funds for implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement signed on January 9, 2005 between the Sudan People's Liberation Movement/Army and the Government of Sudan (GOS). Media sources report that donors pledged over \$4.5 billion in support to Sudan for 2005 to 2007.

Eastern Chad

- UNHCR, WFP, and NGOs are investigating the causes of Kwashiorkor, a nutritional disease arising from protein deficiency that mainly affects children, which has been reported in Touloum camp, 200 km east of Abeche. Preliminary reports indicate that the causes are inadequate food quality and quantity, sanitation, as well as cultural practices concerning children who are ill. Additional feeding and improved monitoring of children appear to be successfully addressing the problem. Touloum is one of four camps in eastern Chad (along with Iridimi, Oure Cassoni, and Djabal) where malnutrition rates have not continued to decline over time.
- International media sources report that existing tensions between Chad and Sudan may be compounded by the April 15 shooting of a Chadian diplomat in West Darfur.

U.S. GOVERNMENT HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR EMERGENCY IN FY 2005

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
DARFUR, SUDAN			
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE			
ACF	Food Security/Agriculture, Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	South Darfur	\$2,375,000
ACTED	Road Rehabilitation in support of food distribution	West Darfur	\$1,843,946
CARE	Logistics	Darfur-wide	\$1,041,284
ICRC	Primary health and water and sanitation	Darfur-wide	\$6,500,000
IRC	Health, Shelter, Camp Management, Water and Sanitation, Camp Management, and Prevention of Sexual Violence	South Darfur	\$7,355,409
WFP	Food Security, Logistics, Coordination, Communications, Road Rehabilitation, Flight Operations	Darfur-wide	\$8,820,000
OCHA	Coordination, Information Management	Darfur-wide	\$1,600,000
UN FAO	Emergency Agriculture, Livestock, Coordination	Darfur-wide	\$1,800,000
Various	Emergency Relief Supplies	Darfur-wide	\$2,415,160
Various	Airlift of Emergency Relief Supplies	Darfur-wide	\$1,345,282
	Administrative/DART Support	Darfur-wide	\$6,367,829
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$41,463,910
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE			
WFP	120,740 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Darfur-wide	\$101,283,200
WFP	200,000 MT of Bill Emerson Trust Food Assistance	Darfur-wide	\$172,039,200
ICRC	7,710 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Darfur-wide	\$6,297,200
TOTAL USAID/FFP			\$279,619,600
USAID/OTI ASSISTANCE			
Coalition for International Justice	Produce two documentaries on the reports of atrocities in Darfur		\$65,635
TOTAL USAID/OTI.....			\$65,635
TOTAL FY 2005 USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR			\$321,149,145
TOTAL FY 2005 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR			\$321,149,145
EASTERN CHAD			
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE			
ACTED	Environmental Protection, Water/Sanitation for affected Chadians	Eastern Chad	\$50,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$50,000
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE			
WFP	16,880 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Eastern Chad	\$14,064,400
TOTAL USAID/FFP			\$14,064,400
STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE¹			
UNHCR	Refugee Assistance and Protection	Eastern Chad	\$17,850,000
International Medical Corps	Refugee Assistance	Eastern Chad	\$1,853,877
AirServ	Transport Services	Eastern Chad	\$2,185,446
TOTAL FY 2005 USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD.....			\$14,114,400
TOTAL FY 2005 STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD			\$21,889,323
TOTAL FY 2005 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD			\$36,003,723
TOTAL FY 2005 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR AND EASTERN CHAD			\$357,152,868

¹ State/PRM figures do not include un-earmarked Africa-wide contributions to ICRC and UNHCR.

U.S. GOVERNMENT HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR EMERGENCY IN FY 2004

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
DARFUR, SUDAN			
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE			
ARC	Health, Water/Sanitation	South and West Darfur	\$1,647,414
ACF	Food Security/Agriculture, Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	South Darfur	\$1,500,000
CRS	Food Security/Agriculture, Health, Shelter, Water/Sanitation	South and West Darfur	\$3,034,357
CARE	Health, Water/Sanitation; Logistics	South Darfur; Darfur-Wide	\$2,667,895
Center for Humanitarian Dialogue	Coordination	Darfur-wide	\$267,709
Concern	Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	West Darfur	\$1,500,000
CHF	Capacity Building, Food Security/Agriculture, Shelter	North and South Darfur	\$2,445,182
GOAL	Food Security/Agriculture, Health, Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	West Darfur	\$2,000,000
IMC	Health, Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	North, South, and West Darfur	\$3,199,910
IRC	Coordination, Health, Shelter, Water/Sanitation	North, South, and West Darfur	\$4,173,318
Medair	Emergency Relief Supplies	West Darfur	\$500,000
MCI	Emergency Relief Supplies, Shelter, Water/Sanitation	South Darfur	\$2,901,076
SC/UK	Health, Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	North Darfur	\$770,370
SC/US	Health, Nutrition, Shelter, Water/Sanitation	West Darfur	\$3,795,804
Tufts University	Research Studies	Darfur-wide	\$105,120
UNDP	Capacity Building	Darfur-wide	\$300,000
UN FAO	Food Security/Agriculture	Darfur-wide	\$1,215,000
UNICEF	Coordination, Health, Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	Darfur-wide	\$6,574,830
UNJLC	Coordination, Logistics	Darfur-wide	\$650,000
OCHA	Coordination, Information Management	Darfur-wide	\$1,250,000
UNSECOORD	Security Officers	Darfur-wide	\$900,000
WFP	Flight Operations, Communications, Coordination, Logistics	Darfur-wide	\$14,835,000
WHO	Health	Darfur-wide	\$500,000
World Vision	Emergency Relief Supplies, Health, Shelter, Water/Sanitation,	South Darfur	\$2,270,812
Various	Emergency Relief Supplies	Darfur-wide	\$5,627,326
Various	Airlift of Emergency Relief Supplies	Darfur-wide	\$4,480,264
	Administrative/DART Support	Darfur-wide	\$2,549,620
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$71,661,007
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE			
WFP	118,400 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Darfur-wide	\$112,912,800
TOTAL USAID/FFP			\$112,912,800
USAID/OTI ASSISTANCE			
IRC	Protection	North Darfur	\$96,205
Halo Partnership	Justice and accountability to Darfuri Diaspora groups		\$24,800
Physicians for Human Rights	Research on Sexual Violence		\$14,000
American Bar Association	Documentation of violence through interviews with refugees	Eastern Chad	\$858,322
OHCHR	Human rights monitors in Darfur	Darfur-wide	\$600,000

TOTAL USAID/OTI.....				\$1,593,327
TOTAL FY 2004 USAID ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR.....				\$186,167,134
STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE				
ICRC	Emergency Humanitarian Operations	Darfur-wide ¹		\$6,891,000
UNHCR	Emergency Appeal – IDP Protection	Darfur-wide		\$1,350,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR.....				\$8,241,000
TOTAL FY 2004 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR				\$194,408,134
EASTERN CHAD				
STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE²				
AirServ	Flight Operations	Eastern Chad		\$2,224,090
CARE	Community Services, Psychosocial Interventions, Capacity Building	Eastern Chad		\$765,162
CRS	Capacity Building, Camp Management	Eastern Chad		\$434,026
IFRC	Camp Management, Transportation	Eastern Chad		\$2,400,000
IMC	Primary Health	Eastern Chad		\$1,877,934
IRC	Protection, Health, Food/Relief Supply Distributions, Children’s Programs	Eastern Chad		\$2,224,811
UNHCR	Refugee Assistance and Protection	Eastern Chad		\$30,348,249
UNICEF	Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	Eastern Chad		\$4,000,000
WFP	Emergency Food Assistance, Flight Operations	Eastern Chad		\$3,000,000
TOTAL FY 2004 STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD				\$47,274,272
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE				
U.S. Embassy Chad	Water Purification and Soap to UNICEF	Eastern Chad		\$114,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA				\$114,000
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE				
WFP	16,780 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Eastern Chad		\$14,577,700
TOTAL USAID/FFP				\$14,577,700
TOTAL FY 2004 USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD.....				\$14,691,700
TOTAL FY 2004 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD.....				\$61,965,972
TOTAL FY 2004 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR AND EASTERN CHAD				\$256,374,106

¹State/PRM’s contribution to ICRC will also fund increased humanitarian operations in eastern Chad.

²State/PRM figures do not include un-earmarked Africa-wide contributions to ICRC and UNHCR.

PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION

- The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that are conducting relief operations. A list of humanitarian organizations that are accepting cash donations for their humanitarian emergency response efforts in Darfur, Sudan can be found at www.interaction.org.
- USAID encourages cash donations because they: allow aid professionals to procure the exact items needed (often in the affected region); reduce the burden on scarce resources (such as transportation routes, staff time, warehouse space, etc); can be transferred very quickly and without transportation costs; support the economy of the disaster-stricken region; ensure culturally, dietary, and environmentally appropriate assistance.
- More information on making donations and volunteering can be found at:
 - U.S. Agency for International Development: www.usaid.gov – keyword: donations
 - The Center for International Disaster Information: www.cidi.org or 703-276-1914
 - InterAction: www.interaction.org -> “How You Can Help”
- Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at www.reliefweb.org

USAID/OFDA bulletins appear on the USAID web site at http://www.usaid.gov/our_work/humanitarian_assistance/disaster_assistance