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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	2.39 million people	U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in Darfur	1.66 million people	OCHA
Sudanese Refugees in Eastern Chad	203,326 people in camps	U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
Conflict-Affected Persons in Darfur Receiving Food Assistance	1.16 million people during October 1.3 million people during November	U.N. World Food Program (WFP)
Crude Mortality Rates (CMR) ¹ and Under-five Mortality Rates (U5MR) ² for Darfur	North Darfur – 1.5 CMR; 2.5 U5MR West Darfur – 2.9 CMR; 3.1 U5MR Kalma Camp (South Darfur) – 3.8 CMR; 11.7 U5MR	Preliminary data from the U.N. World Health Organization (WHO)

Total FY 2005 USG Humanitarian Assistance for the Darfur Emergency (to date)\$287,155,198

Total FY 2003 – 2005 USG Humanitarian Assistance for the Darfur Emergency.....\$545,600,878

CURRENT HUMANITARIAN SITUATION

Peace Negotiations

- The Government of Sudan (GOS) and the National Democratic Alliance (NDA)--a coalition of opposition groups primarily from the north--signed a political agreement on January 16. The two parties reportedly agreed to a set of common steps toward democratic change, including lifting the state of emergency in place since 1989 and setting up a joint commission to reintegrate the NDA into national politics. The GOS and NDA also intend to establish a commission to reintegrate 3,000 opposition forces from eastern Sudan back into the regular Sudanese military. A final GOS-NDA accord is scheduled to be signed on February 12 in Cairo, Egypt. Building on the momentum of the North/South peace accord of January 9, Vice President Ali Osman Taha led the GOS negotiation team with the NDA. Taha was recently appointed chief negotiator for Darfur.

Food Assistance

- In anticipation of an increasing caseload, the U.N. World Food Program (WFP) is coordinating with USAID to accelerate shipment of USG cereals contributions to Sudan. Despite several P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance and Bill Emerson Trust food shipments scheduled for delivery between the end of January and April, WFP will have to obtain additional resources if beneficiary numbers increase. WFP expects a major break for pulses in April, but the pipelines of other processed commodities including oil and corn-soya blend (CSB) will be healthy through May. The current pipeline shows major breaks in all commodities in June, though the second tranche of Bill Emerson Trust food should address rainy season requirements, starting in June.
- Through January 17, WFP reported dispatching emergency food assistance to 696,828 beneficiaries, or 39 percent of total planned caseload for January. WFP is increasing its transportation and warehouse capacity to allow the location of food stocks closer to key distribution sites. The primary impediment to distribution continues to be insecurity. Recent security incidences included the looting and hijacking of trucks, the killing of a driver, ongoing fighting between the GOS and opposition forces, and U.N. Office of the Security Coordinator (UNSECOORD) “no-go” determinations.

¹According to WHO, the emergency threshold for crude mortality is 1 death per 10,000 people per day.

²According to WHO, the emergency threshold for under-five mortality is 2 deaths per 10,000 children under five per day.

- WFP reports that the overall food pipeline for eastern Chad is healthy through June. Slow clearance of food commodities at the Libyan-Chad border, however, has necessitated that WFP and the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) continue with short rations through the end of January for Darfur refugees.

Health

- The U.N. World Health Organization (WHO) and UNICEF announced preliminary results indicating that the three-day nationwide polio vaccination campaign reached more 5 million children under age five. Targeting 5.9 million, or all children in Sudan under five years old, the campaign was jointly organized and conducted in 23 states by the Sudanese Ministry of Health, WHO, UNICEF, and nongovernmental organizations (NGOs). Polio vaccination teams reported that the campaign generally proceeded in Darfur without difficulty in either GOS or Sudan Liberation Movement/Army (SLM/A) areas. One key exception involved the disruption of the campaign in Buram, South Darfur due to SLM/A attacks on nearby Ragaye village. An estimated 87,000 children are affected by this disruption, but the vaccination team plans a return visit in the near future. The January campaign will be followed by two other rounds of polio vaccination to be conducted in February and April 2005.

Logistics

- The U.N. Joint Logistics Center (UNJLC) announced at an interagency coordination meeting on January 17 that 1.8 million people will be targeted for emergency relief supply distributions in 2005—100 percent of the new and old caseload of internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Darfur.
- To reduce the overall air cargo requirement, UNJLC and implementing partner CARE have established a no-charge surface transportation operation from Khartoum to Darfur for common pipeline emergency relief supplies. The surface shipments will handle lower priority and lower value commodities. The UNJLC reported that as of January 20, there was no backlog of emergency relief supplies or vehicles destined for Darfur via the UNJLC common pipeline; a dedicated emergency relief supply plane has been making daily flights during the last week, eliminating a previous backlog. UNJLC is working with the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), and NGOs to improve monitoring of commodity distribution.

Humanitarian Assistance

- According to the USAID/Disaster assistance Response Team (DART), OCHA reported that an interagency assessment team travelled to the towns of Tina and Kornoï in North Darfur on January 12 to verify GOS claims of a recent influx of people crossing the border into Sudan from Chad. The Tina-Kornoï-Um Baru corridor had not been accessed since October 2004 when a Save the Children/U.K. vehicle struck a landmine 20 km from Um Baru. The team found Tina and Kornoï almost completely deserted, although structures remained intact. The African Union (AU) reported that no original residents remained in Tina; the only inhabitants were 234 ethnic Tama living in two warehouses. In Kornoï, the AU reported the presence of shepherds and nomads, as well as an estimated 100 people with camels living in a *wadi* (dry river bed).
- OCHA reported that on January 13, a U.N. team observed no immediate humanitarian needs in the previously un-assessed villages of Al Lait and Al Tawisha, located along the West Kordofan border. Following recent fighting in both villages, the team found almost no residents in Al Lait town and observed that about 15 percent of the town was burnt to the ground. However, the team reported that the situation in Al Tawisha appeared peaceful and a significant number of people remained in the town.

Protection

- The USAID/DART reports that the International Organization for Migration (IOM) deployed a Verification and Monitoring Unit (VMU) to Geneina on January 13 and 14 to determine whether the proposed movement of IDPs from Abuzar School and Zalingei University to the Madrassa camp would be appropriate and voluntary. The VMU is a component of the Management and Coordination Mechanism of the Memorandum of Understanding between the IOM, GOS, and U.N. on return and relocation issues.

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			
CARE	Logistics	Darfur-wide	\$1,041,284
WFP	Food Security, Logistics, Coordination, Communications	Darfur-wide	\$800,000
Various	Emergency Relief Supplies	Darfur-wide	\$990,000
Various	Airlift of Emergency Relief Supplies	Darfur-wide	\$561,276
	Administrative/Logistics	Darfur-wide	\$1,847,603
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$5,240,163
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE			
WFP	114,170 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Darfur-wide	\$96,093,300
WFP	200,000 MT of Bill Emerson Trust Food Assistance	Darfur-wide	\$172,000,000
TOTAL USAID/FFP			\$268,093,300
USAID/OTI ASSISTANCE			
Coalition for International Justice	Produce two documentaries on the reports of atrocities in Darfur	Darfur-wide	\$65,635
TOTAL USAID/OTI			\$65,635
TOTAL FY 2005 USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR			\$273,399,098
TOTAL FY 2005 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR			\$273,399,098
EASTERN CHAD			
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE			
ACTED	Environmental Protection, Water/Sanitation	Eastern Chad	\$50,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$50,000
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE			
WFP	14,550 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Eastern Chad	\$13,706,100
TOTAL USAID/FFP			\$13,706,100
TOTAL FY 2005 USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD.....			\$13,756,100
TOTAL FY 2005 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD			\$13,756,100
TOTAL FY 2005 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR AND EASTERN CHAD			\$287,155,198

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	Monitoring	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/Logistics	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