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***DARFUR – Humanitarian Emergency***

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**DARFUR EMERGENCY – NUMBERS AT A GLANCE**

**SOURCE**

Conflict-Affected Persons in <b>Darfur and Eastern Chad</b>	2.61 million people	U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in <b>Darfur</b>	1.85 million people	OCHA
Sudanese Refugees in <b>Eastern Chad</b>	193,000 people in camps	U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
Conflict-Affected Persons in <b>Darfur</b> Receiving Food Assistance	1.6 million people during February 1.2 million people during January	U.N. World Food Program (WFP)

**Total FY 2005 USG Humanitarian Assistance for the Darfur Emergency (to date) .....\$333,249,865**

**Total FY 2003 – 2005 USG Humanitarian Assistance for the Darfur Emergency.....\$591,695,545**

**CURRENT HUMANITARIAN SITUATION**

*USG Site Visit*

- On March 13 and 14, U.S. Chargé d’Affaires to Sudan David Kaeuper traveled to El Fasher, North Darfur, to witness firsthand the humanitarian situation. The Chargé visited Abu Shouk and Zam Zam internally displaced person (IDP) camps, met with USAID/OFDA partners CHF International and the International Rescue Committee (IRC), and observed a milling program and a primary health care facility. In addition, the Chargé met with the *wali* (governor) and local government officials.

*Security*

- According to the USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team (USAID/DART), due to a recent increase in banditry and attacks on humanitarian vehicles in West Darfur, U.N. and most non-governmental organization (NGO) staff have withdrawn from areas of operation in West Darfur to the state capital of Geneina pending U.N. security assessments of the major surrounding roads. The U.N. reported on March 17 that some international NGOs have started to return to areas outside of the town, but have not yet returned to locations north of Geneina.
- The U.N. reported on March 13 that it is requiring its staff to travel in three-vehicle convoys instead of the normal requirement of two vehicles along the Nyala to Zalingei road as an additional precautionary measure. The route had been declared a ‘no go’ area but was cleared for U.N. movement on March 9.

*Humanitarian Access*

- According to the USAID/DART, the Sudan Liberation Movement/Army (SLM/A) humanitarian interlocutor in North Darfur has been unreachable since March 7. As a result, the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and relief agencies have been unable to notify SLM/A forces of relief missions scheduled in SLM/A territory. The U.N. reported on March 17 that food distribution in Malha was delayed due to the absence of the SLM/A interlocutor.

*IDP Relocations*

- According to the USAID/DART, humanitarian agencies continue to work with the Government of Sudan (GOS) Humanitarian Aid Commission (HAC) to assess potential sites for the voluntary relocation of IDPs from the overcrowded camps in Abu Shouk, North Darfur, and Kalma, South Darfur.

- At Abu Shouk camp, the U.N. reported that humanitarian agencies have abandoned Bisharia as a possible site for the relocation of the approximately 25,000 IDPs currently located in the camp. Water quality tests conducted by UNICEF at Bisharia revealed high percentages of nitrate, making the water unfit for human consumption. The U.N. reported on March 13 that humanitarian organizations are reconsidering Sawalinga, a site that had been rejected due to lack of water. Humanitarian agencies are installing pipes and pumps to transport water from the *wadi* (river bed) that serves Abu Shouk camp.

#### *Health*

- According to the U.N. World Health Organization (WHO), a field assessment is currently underway in Kalma camp to investigate the source of a bloody diarrhea outbreak that continues in Kalma camp despite efforts to improve water and sanitation services and regular hygiene promotion campaigns. According to the U.N., rising temperatures and water shortages in Kalma camp due to insufficient trucking capacity may have contributed to recent increases in diarrhea and Hepatitis E, as well as increases in therapeutic feeding center admissions.
- The USAID/DART reported on March 17 that there were seven suspected meningitis cases in North Darfur State during the past week—six in Saraf Omra and one in El Fasher—including three cases of W135 strain and one Group A. As three cases were confirmed in one locality, it is the first time the GOS Ministry of Health (MOH) alert level has been reached during this meningitis season. In response, the MOH is developing a vaccination response plan for North Darfur in coordination with WHO. In 1999, Saraf Omra was the epicenter of a meningitis outbreak that caused 30,000 deaths and led to a mass vaccination across the entire country.

#### *Water and Sanitation*

- According to the U.N., water shortages in Abu Shouk camp, North Darfur, are of increasing concern. Over the past few weeks humanitarian agencies have reported higher concentrations of IDPs at water points in the camp. Some individuals in the camp are reportedly engaged in brick-making activities, further depleting the already limited water sources.

#### *USG Assistance*

- On March 13, the USAID/DART visited Kalma camp to assess USAID/OFDA programs implemented by CHF. CHF operates a mat-making program at the center that provides mats for their USAID-supported shelter program in Zam Zam camp, North Darfur. The mat-making activity currently employs 150 women, each of whom make between 2 and 3 mats per day. CHF also has mat-making operations in Kalma and Otash camps, and a total of 450 women are registered in the three locations. CHF aims to produce up to 4,000 mats per week when all centers are fully operational. According to CHF, they are unable to meet the demand for participation in this income-generating activity.

#### *Eastern Chad*

- No major new refugee influxes from, or returns to, Darfur have been reported. As expected, the preliminary results of the recent UNHCR/WFP/implementing partners re-registration exercise indicate a drop of approximately 10 percent in the caseload of registered refugees in camps. The revised number is 193,100 (down from 213,314). An additional estimated 16,000 refugees (down from 18,000) remain in border areas.
- As a result of these findings, WFP and partners have revised downward the food distribution plan for the month of March to target 193,100 refugees. For the first time in five months, complete rations will be provided. According to WFP, the drop in the caseload is attributed primarily to Chadians posing as refugees and refugees possessing multiple ration cards.

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

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>DARFUR, SUDAN</b>			
<b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE</b>			
ACF	Food Security/Agriculture, Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	South Darfur	\$2,375,000
CARE	Logistics	Darfur-wide	\$1,041,284
WFP	Food Security, Logistics, Coordination, Communications, Road Rehabilitation, Flight Operations	Darfur-wide	\$8,820,000
IRC	Health, Shelter, Camp Management, Water and Sanitation, Camp Management, and Prevention of Sexual Violence	South Darfur	\$7,355,409
Various	Emergency Relief Supplies	Darfur-wide	\$2,146,250
Various	Airlift of Emergency Relief Supplies	Darfur-wide	\$1,122,626
	Administrative/DART Support	Darfur-wide	\$5,004,961
<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA .....</b>			<b>\$27,865,530</b>
<b>USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE</b>			
WFP	114,170 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Darfur-wide	\$93,352,700
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
<b>TOTAL USAID/FFP .....</b>			<b>\$271,689,100</b>
<b>USAID/OTI ASSISTANCE</b>			
Coalition for International Justice	Produce two documentaries on the reports of atrocities in Darfur		\$65,635
<b>TOTAL USAID/OTI .....</b>			<b>\$65,635</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 2005 USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR .....</b>			<b>\$299,620,265</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 2005 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR .....</b>			<b>\$299,620,265</b>
<b>EASTERN CHAD</b>			
<b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE</b>			
ACTED	Environmental Protection, Water/Sanitation for affected Chadians	Eastern Chad	\$50,000
<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA .....</b>			<b>\$50,000</b>
<b>USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE</b>			
WFP	16,880 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Eastern Chad	\$15,729,600
<b>TOTAL USAID/FFP .....</b>			<b>\$15,729,600</b>
<b>STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE<sup>1</sup></b>			
UNHCR	Refugee Assistance and Protection	Eastern Chad	\$17,850,000
<b>TOTAL FY 2005 USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD.....</b>			<b>\$15,779,600</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 2005 STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD .....</b>			<b>\$17,850,000</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 2005 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD .....</b>			<b>\$33,629,600</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 2005 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR AND EASTERN CHAD .....</b>			<b>\$333,249,865</b>

<sup>1</sup> 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>
<b>DARFUR, SUDAN</b>			
<b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE</b>			
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
<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA .....</b>			<b>\$71,661,007</b>
<b>USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE</b>			
WFP	118,400 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Darfur-wide	\$112,912,800
<b>TOTAL USAID/FFP .....</b>			<b>\$112,912,800</b>
<b>USAID/OTI ASSISTANCE</b>			
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
<b>TOTAL USAID/OTI.....</b>			<b>\$1,593,327</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 2004 USAID ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR.....</b>			<b>\$186,167,134</b>
<b>STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE</b>			
ICRC	Emergency Humanitarian Operations	Darfur-wide <sup>1</sup>	\$6,891,000
UNHCR	Emergency Appeal – IDP Protection	Darfur-wide	\$1,350,000
<b>TOTAL STATE/PRM HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR.....</b>			<b>\$8,241,000</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 2004 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR .....</b>			<b>\$194,408,134</b>
<b>EASTERN CHAD</b>			
<b>STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE<sup>2</sup></b>			
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
<b>TOTAL FY 2004 STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD .....</b>			<b>\$47,274,272</b>
<b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE</b>			
U.S. Embassy Chad	Water Purification and Soap to UNICEF	Eastern Chad	\$114,000
<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA .....</b>			<b>\$114,000</b>
<b>USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE</b>			
WFP	16,780 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Eastern Chad	\$14,577,700
<b>TOTAL USAID/FFP.....</b>			<b>\$14,577,700</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 2004 USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD.....</b>			<b>\$14,691,700</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 2004 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN CHAD.....</b>			<b>\$61,965,972</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 2004 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR AND EASTERN CHAD .....</b>			<b>\$256,374,106</b>

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

<sup>2</sup>State/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](http://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](http://www.usaid.gov) – keyword: donations
  - The Center for International Disaster Information: [www.cidi.org](http://www.cidi.org) or 703-276-1914
  - InterAction: [www.interaction.org](http://www.interaction.org) -> “How You Can Help”
- Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at [www.reliefweb.org](http://www.reliefweb.org)

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