

The White House
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Dear President Bush,

I thank you for your generosity in providing humanitarian assistance for the people of Darfur, and the leadership of the United States in the recent passage of Resolution 1796 which promises 26,000 peacekeepers for Darfur. One area where the United States could do more, however, is by helping to ensure justice for the people of Darfur and accountability for the perpetrators of these horrific crimes. So I ask you, Mr. President, *please share all relevant materials and intelligence with the International Criminal Court so that it can bring the strongest possible case against the war criminals.*

The United Nations Commission of Inquiry determined in 2005 that Sudanese courts were unable and unwilling to prosecute and try the alleged offenders in Darfur. They recommended the referral of the cases to the International Criminal Court (ICC), the first international permanent court capable of trying individuals accused of serious violations of international humanitarian law and human rights law, namely war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide.

While the United States did not veto the referral to the ICC, it has not been of assistance to the Court's efforts to gather evidence in order to present the strongest case possible against the perpetrators of mass killing and rape. The United States has vast amounts of intelligence and information; we ask that you give the ICC full access to this information. As there are no U.S. citizens who would be at risk for prosecution for genocide, war crimes, or crimes against humanity in Darfur, US fears of politically motivated prosecutions of Americans would not be an issue in Darfur.

The ICC represents the best (and in most cases, the only) hope for survivors of the genocide in Darfur who have had their family members, their dignity, their possessions, etc., brutally taken from them. Though they may know little about international law, many of the refugees and internally displaced persons know about the ICC and hope that they will see members of the Janjaweed and Sudanese Armed Forces held to account by this court. Therefore, we ask you, in the interest of justice, to cooperate fully with the ICC.

Sincerely,