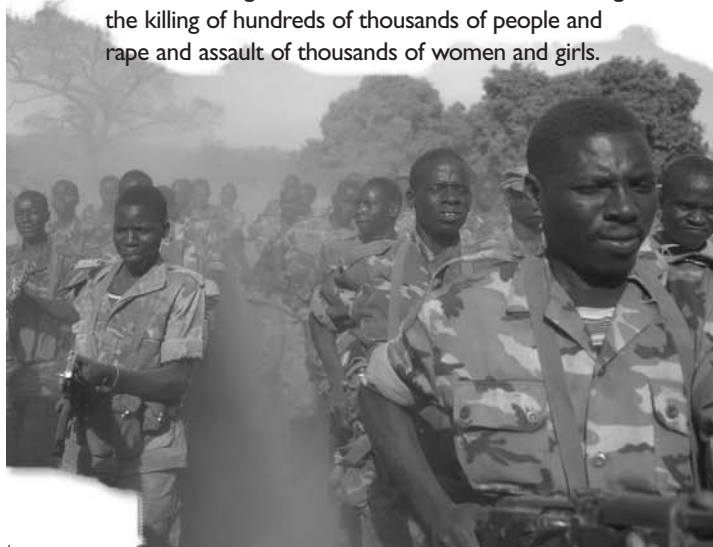




THE CONFLICT:

Since early 2003, Sudanese armed forces and Sudanese government-backed militia known as the "Janjaweed" have been fighting two rebel groups in Darfur, the Sudanese Liberation Army/Movement (SLA/SLM) and the Justice and Equality Movement (JEM), which have since fractured into over a dozen groups. The stated political aim of the rebels has been to compel the government of Sudan to address underdevelopment and the political marginalization of the region. In response, the Sudanese government's regular armed forces and the Janjaweed have targeted civilian populations and ethnic groups from which the rebels primarily draw their support. The Sudanese government and the Janjaweed militias are responsible for the burning and destruction of hundreds of villages, the killing of hundreds of thousands of people and rape and assault of thousands of women and girls.



Photos courtesy Daniel Pepper • 2007 Update



Save Darfur Coalition
2120 L Street, NW, Suite 600
Washington, D.C. 20037
www.SaveDarfur.org

Save Darfur Coalition

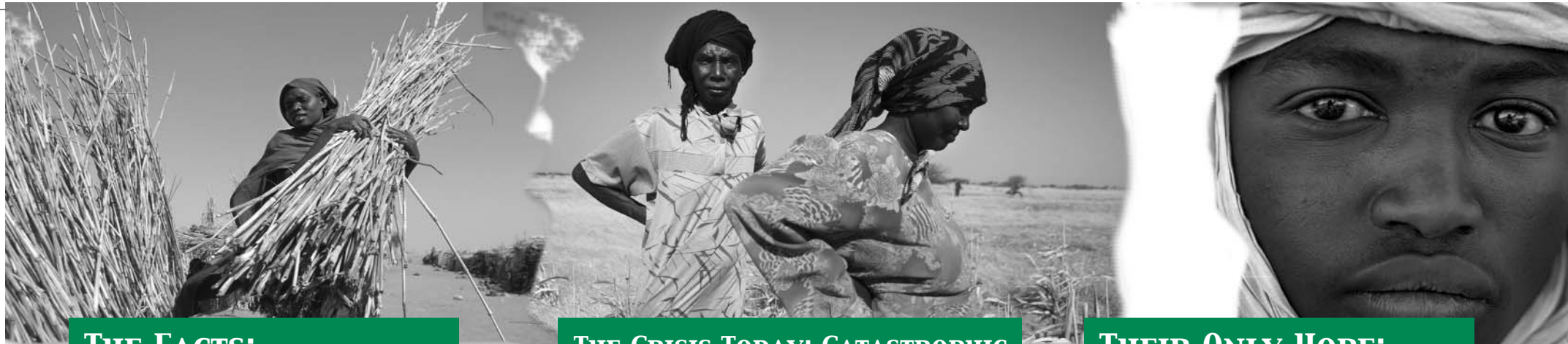
The Save Darfur Coalition is dedicated to opening the world's eyes to the genocide being perpetrated on the people of Darfur. Through effective media outreach, public education, targeted coalition building, and grassroots mobilization, the Save Darfur Coalition is pressuring policy-makers and other decision-makers in the United States and abroad to help the people of Darfur. Please join with us in this vital effort. **We haven't a moment to lose.**



SAVE DARFUR

EMERGENCY BRIEFING





THE FACTS:

- As many as 400,000 people have been killed;
- An estimated 2.5 million innocent civilians have been forced to flee their homes and now live in internally displaced persons (IDP) camps in Sudan or in refugee camps in neighboring Chad;
- Over 3 million men, women, and children are reliant on international aid for survival.

Not since the Rwandan genocide of 1994 has the world seen such a calculated campaign of displacement, starvation, rape, and mass slaughter.



THE CRISIS TODAY: CATASTROPHIC

With much international pressure, the Darfur Peace Agreement was brokered in May 2006 between the government of Sudan and one faction of Darfur rebels. However, deadlines have been ignored and the violence has escalated, with in-fighting among the various rebel groups and factions dramatically increasing and adding a new layer of complexity to the conflict. This violence has made it dangerous, if not impossible, for most of the millions of displaced persons to return to their homes. Humanitarian aid agencies face growing obstacles to bringing widespread relief. In April 2007, the UN's top humanitarian official John Holmes stated that he wondered "how many might yet suffer this horror." Indeed, the violence in Darfur rages on with government-backed militias still attacking civilian populations with impunity.

THEIR ONLY HOPE:

The Bush administration has recognized that these atrocities constitute "genocide" and international experts agree that the United Nations Security Council must deploy a peacekeeping force with a mandate to protect civilians immediately.

Yet the death toll continues to mount unabated.

The **Save Darfur Coalition** needs your help to raise public awareness so that there will be increased pressure on President Bush, Congress, the United Nations, and leaders around the world to act now to save the millions of people whose lives are threatened. Please join us today!



Photos courtesy Daniel Pepper