

Form Letter to Enact Darfur Legislation

Dear:

- Your Congressperson
- Your Senators
- cc: Ambassador John Bolton
- cc: President George W. Bush

Subject: Please Co-sponsor and Support the Darfur Peace and Accountability Act

It has been more than a year since Congress and President Bush declared genocide in Darfur, Sudan, and called for an immediate end to the violence.

Now, a year later, the genocide continues. Hundreds of thousands have died, and 2.5 million people have been forced to flee their homes. Even those who reach the relative safety of camps are at risk of rape and violence. While the 6,000 African Union troops in Darfur have created pockets of protection, the force lacks the size and the appropriate mandate to create security.

I believe that to end the genocide, the international community must establish a mandate for an international force to protect civilians, and deploy such a force in support of existing African Union efforts in Darfur. The United States has a unique capacity and a clear obligation to take immediate action. Passing the Darfur Peace and Accountability Act (H.R. 3127/S. 1462) would represent an important step toward ending the genocide.

As a supporter of American Jewish World Service, I ask you to co-sponsor and support the swift passage this lifesaving legislation. Jews remember all too well the consequences of global indifference. We cannot afford to wait while thousands more perish.

Sincerely,