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# DARFUR – Humanitarian Emergency

#### Fact Sheet #23, Fiscal Year (FY) 2004

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#### **DARFUR EMERGENCY – NUMBERS AT A GLANCE** SOURCE Conflict-Affected Persons in 2.2 million people U.S. Government, European Union, and **Darfur and Eastern Chad** United Nations U.N. Office for the Coordination of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) 1.2 million people in Darfur Humanitarian Affairs (UN OCHA) 200,000 people Sudanese Refugees in Eastern U.N. High Commissioner for Chad Refugees (UNHCR) Conflict-Affected Persons in 940,000 people during August U.N. World Food Program (WFP) Darfur Receiving Food Assistance Preliminary data from the U.N. World Crude Mortality Rates $(CMR)^1$ and North Darfur - 1.5 CMR; 2.5 U5MR Under-five Mortality Rates (U5MR) West Darfur - 2.9 CMR; 3.1 U5MR Health Organization (WHO) for **Darfur** (measured in deaths per Kalma Camp (South Darfur) - 3.8 10,000 persons per day) CMR; 11.7 U5MR

## Total FY 2003 – 2004 USG Humanitarian Assistance for the Darfur Emergency ...... \$220,156,282

## **CURRENT HUMANITARIAN SITUATION**

USAID Administrator Travels to Darfur

To conclude a two-week trip to Africa, USAID Administrator Andrew S. Natsios and several senior USAID staff traveled to Khartoum and to the three states of Darfur. Administrator Natsios arrived in Khartoum on September 13 and met with USAID staff, Government of Sudan (GOS) officials, U.N. agencies, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) on September 14. From September 15 to 17, the delegation visited settlements for internally displaced persons (IDPs) in the three states of Darfur and spoke with IDPs, the USAID/Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART), and USAID implementing partners to assess the situation. The delegation plans to depart Sudan on September 18. This is Administrator Natsios' third trip to Darfur since October 2003. Mortality Rates

On September 13, the U.N. World Health Organization (WHO) released preliminary data from a

joint WHO and the Sudanese Ministry of Health (MOH) mortality survey. During the survey, WHO and the MOH interviewed members of approximately 1,290 households in each of North and West Darfur and 558 households in Kalma IDP camp in South Darfur (the WHO/MOH team was unable to complete the survey in South Darfur due to insecurity) to determine overall deaths and their causes during the two-month period from June 15 to August 15. The data indicate that crude mortality rates (CMR) and under-five mortality rates (U5MR) in Darfur are significantly higher than the emergency thresholds (see table above). Diarrhea is the major killer in children and ongoing violence is a major cause of death in adults. For persons 15 to 49 years of age, approximately 40 percent of deaths resulted from violence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> According to the U.N. World Health Organization (WHO), the emergency threshold for crude mortality is 1 death per 10,000 people per day, and the emergency threshold for under-five mortality is 2 deaths per 10,000 children under five per day.

# Armed Conflict and Violence against Civilians Continue

- According to U.N. reports, recent clashes in rural areas of South Darfur between GOS forces and opposition forces have caused further displacement of civilian populations. Relief workers in South Darfur reportedly told the U.N. that the population of Gereida camp, 100 km south of Nyala, increased from 10,000 to 40,000 during a one-week period. The 30,000 new arrivals have reportedly overwhelmed relief agencies, and many people have yet to receive plastic sheeting to protect them from the rains.
- The U.N reported several hours of fighting on September 12 between GOS forces and the opposition Sudan Liberation Movement/Army (SLM/A) in the Medo area, approximately 30 km north of Mellit in North Darfur. The U.N. cited reports that six police officers were killed and an unknown number injured in the fighting.
- According to the field reports, approximately 1,800 people fleeing violence in Galab, south of El Fasher, have arrived during the past two weeks in Zam Zam Camp, North Darfur. The IDPs told the U.N. that GOS security personnel have restricted their movements and denied them the opportunity to return home and collect what remains of their belongings. According to an NGO operating in Galab, 3,000 to 4,000 people fled the violence, and the persons who have not sought assistance in Zam Zam have likely dispersed into surrounding areas.
- According to a U.N. report, two girls were reportedly raped on September 11 near the village of Nisi, outside of Geneina in West Darfur. In a separate incident, *Jingaweit* forces attacked the village of Axerni in West Darfur. Two men were killed during the attack and two wounded women are receiving treatment at the hospital in Geneina. The U.N. reported that local police were informed of both attacks but have not yet taken any action.

## Health

- According to the USAID/DART, health services to IDPs in Darfur have expanded notably in the past months. For primary health care, secondary health care, and basic drug supplies, the percentage assisted of a target population of more than 1.5 million people rose from under 40 percent in June to over 50 percent in July. However, the WHO mortality survey clearly indicates that the general public health situation remains extremely poor. Hospitals and clinics are not sufficiently equipped to meet the overwhelming needs of war-affected populations in Darfur.
- The temporary assignment of qualified health personnel from other parts of the country is being encouraged by the GOS, but these personnel demand high incentive payments to work in a wartorn region. Additionally, the GOS has shown reluctance to fast-track expatriate international health professionals into Sudan, hindering the health-sector response of some relief agencies. *Food Assistance*
- The U.N. World Food Program (WFP), with technical support from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), plans to complete a food and nutrition security assessment of Darfur during the coming weeks. The findings should help the humanitarian community forecast food and nutritional needs of IDPs and host communities. According to WFP, the number of beneficiaries may increase to more than two million until the harvest in October/November 2005.
- WFP has begun to monitor food distributions in Darfur by tracking the transport of food from major distribution hubs in the three states to outlying distribution points. Based on this reporting, as of September 12 WFP had provided 8,258 MT metric tons for 471,886 beneficiaries in Darfur, or approximately 39 percent of its September distribution target of 1.2 million people.
- Forecasting through the end of 2004, WFP's pipeline updates indicate the following food pipeline breaks for Darfur: a partial break in pulses in October due to delivery schedules and a significant break in cereals in December due to insufficient resources. For the refugee camps in eastern Chad, WFP predicts partial breaks in December for cereals, pulses, and oils, and a significant break for corn-soya blend (CSB) in October. Rations include an increased amount of CSB because of a blanket supplementary feeding program through November for children under five years old.

Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
DARFUR, SUDAN			
USAID/OFDA ASSIST.	ANCE		
ARC	Health, Water/Sanitation	South and West Darfur	\$1,647,41
	Food Security/Agriculture, Nutrition,		
ACF	Water/Sanitation	South Darfur	\$1,500,00
CRS	Food Security/Agriculture, Health, Shelter, Water/Sanitation	South and West Darfur	\$3,034,35
CARE	Health, Water/Sanitation; Logistics	South Darfur; Darfur-Wide	\$2,667,89
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Humanitarian	Monitoring	Darfur-wide	\$267,70
Dialogue	6		. ,
Concern	Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	West Darfur	\$1,500,00
COAL	Food Security/Agriculture, Health,	West Dorfur	\$2,000,00
GOAL	Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	West Darfur	
IRC	Coordination, Health, Shelter, Water/Sanitation	North, South, and West Darfur	\$4,173,31
Medair	Emergency Relief Supplies	West Darfur	\$500,00
SC-UK	Health, Nutrition, Water/Sanitation	North Darfur	\$776,37
SC-US	Health, Nutrition, Shelter	West Darfur	\$1,794,79
Tufts University	Research Studies	Darfur-wide	\$105,12
UN FAO	Food Security/Agriculture	Darfur-wide	\$1,215,00
	Coordination, Health, Nutrition,		\$4,574,83
UNICEF	Water/Sanitation	Darfur-wide	
UNJLC	Coordination, Logistics	Darfur-wide	\$650,00
UN OCHA	Coordination, Information Management	Darfur-wide	\$750,00
UNSECOORD	Security Officers	Darfur-wide	\$900,00
WFP	Flight Operations, Communications, Coordination, Logistics	Darfur-wide	\$14,335,00
WHO	Health	Darfur-wide	\$500,00
WIIO	Health, Emergency Relief Supplies,	Darrur-wide	\$500,00
World Vision	Shelter, Water/Sanitation,	South Darfur	\$2,270,81
Various	Emergency Relief Supplies	Darfur-wide	\$4,276,38
Various	Airlift of Emergency Relief Supplies	Darfur-wide	\$4,127,43
	Administrative/Logistics	Darfur-wide	\$2,394,14
			\$55,960,59
USAID/FFP ASSISTAN	NCE		
WFP	118,400 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Darfur-wide	\$112,912,80
TOTAL USAID/FFP	Emergency Food Assistance		\$112 912 80
USAID/OTI ASSISTAN		•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	······ψ11 <i>4</i> ,714,00
IRC	IDP Assistance	North Darfur	\$96,20
Halo Partnership	Justice and accountability to Darfuri		\$24,80
Physicians for Human	Diaspora groups		
Rights	Research on Sexual Violence		\$14,00
American Bar	Documentation of violence through	Eastern Chad	\$858,32
Association	interviews with refugees		
	D ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR		\$169,866,72
STATE/PRM ASSISTA			

TOTAL STATE/PR	M HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO D	ARFUR	
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EASTERN CHAD			
STATE/PRM ASSIS	STANCE <sup>2</sup>		
AirServ	Flight Operations	Eastern Chad	\$1,590,350
CRS	Capacity Building, Camp Management	Eastern Chad	\$434,026
IFRC	Camp Management, Transportation	Eastern Chad	\$2,400,000
IMC	Primary Health	Eastern Chad	\$877,098
IRC	Protection, Health, Food/Relief Supply Distributions, Children's Programs	Eastern Chad	\$2,224,812
UNHCR	Refugee Assistance and Protection	Eastern Chad	\$18,000,000
WFP	Emergency Food Assistance, Flight Operations	Eastern Chad	\$3,000,000
TOTAL FY 2004 ST	TATE/PRM ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN (	СНАД	\$28,526,286
<b>USAID/OFDA ASSI</b>	STANCE		
U.S. Embassy Chad	Water Purification and Soap to UNICEF	Eastern Chad	\$114,000
TOTAL USAID/OF	DA	•••••••	\$114,000
<b>USAID/FFP ASSIST</b>	TANCE		
WFP	16,780 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Eastern Chad	\$14,577,700
TOTAL USAID/FFI			\$14,577,700
	SAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO		
<b>TOTAL FY 2004 US</b>	<b>SG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO E</b>	ASTERN CHAD	\$43.217.986

#### TOTAL FY 2004 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO DARFUR AND EASTERN CHAD......\$218,084,708

<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 <u>www.interaction.org</u>.
- 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:
  - o U.S. Agency for International Development: <u>www.usaid.gov</u> keyword: donations
  - The Center for International Disaster Information: <u>www.cidi.org</u> or 703-276-1914
  - o InterAction: <u>www.interaction.org</u> -> "How You Can Help"
- Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at <u>www.reliefweb.org</u>