

VIGIL FOR DARFUR AT THE SUDANESE EMBASSY

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All Sudanese wanting justice & peace in Darfur are invited to Co-Sponsor the Vigil - Including: Darfuri, Nubia, Southern Sudanese, and all others sharing our goals. Contact: TOHvigil@gmail.com

LOCATION This Vigil for Darfur is at the Embassy for the Republic of Sudan (2210 Massachusetts Avenue N.W., Washington, DC 20008)

DATE Friday November 7th from 2 PM – 7 PM 2008

PURPOSE:

The vigil unites Sudanese and Americans around one clear purpose: to deliver a people's arrest warrant for President Omar Al-Bashir before he kills more people in Darfur. Vigilers will mourn the dead by telling their stories in public recognition of the oppression and suffering the government of Sudan has caused throughout all Sudan – culminating in issuing a long-overdue people's arrest warrant for President Omar Al-Bashir.

PROGRAM The vigil will be divided into five segments - each honoring a different aspect of the brutal wars in Sudan, yet representing the last 5 years of genocide in Darfur.

1. The Human Cost
2. The Villages Lost
3. IDP Camps & Humanitarian Aid Workers Attacked
4. The Peace Process Obstructed
5. Justice is our Hope - Deliver an Arrest Warrant for Bashir to the Sudan Embassy.

Vigil begins at 2 PM so Sudan Embassy employees will hear our message and receive the people's arrest warrant for Omer Al-Bashir. Vigil ends at 7 PM so that students & working people have time to join us. Taking 5 hours to focus attention on the war crimes of the government of Sudan and their crimes against humanity will add weight intensity to our message. It will allow our Darfur advocacy

community to expand the recognition of the suffering to include all Sudan as we touch on the enormity of the human catastrophe that's been devastating Darfur for 5 years and ravaging Sudan for decades.

Sudanese and Americans will tell stories of people who've been killed, maimed, imprisoned, tortured, raped, forcibly displaced and exiled.

All Sudanese & Americans wanting justice & peace in Darfur are invited to participate:

1. The Human Cost – Remembering family & friends

- Provide names of people who have been killed - Names of the dead will be read in a ceremony honoring the dead.
- Provide stories of people who've been killed, maimed, imprisoned, tortured, raped or exiled - Sudanese will be invited to tell stories of their lives during vigil "open mike"
- Names of the dead can be delivered with the arrest warrant

2. The Villages Lost

- Provide names of villages that have been destroyed
- Sudanese will tell stories of the villages during vigil "open mike"
- Names of the villages will be displayed on signs and can be delivered with the arrest warrant

3. IDP Camps & Humanitarian Aid Workers Attacked

- Provide a list of Camps attacked – with the names and stories of those who've been killed or wounded
- Vigilers will tell stories of the attack on specific camps
- Reference attacks on humanitarian orgs – no names listed or spoken
- Names of the camps attacked will be displayed on signs and can be delivered with the arrest warrant

4. The Peace Process Obstructed

- Provide list of Bashir's obstruction of justice –
 - - UNSC resolutions defied, delayed & obstructed
 - - DPA, UNAMID
 - - ICC
- Provide a list of the names of other proven war criminals in the Bashir regime – with their crimes
- Names & crimes of the criminals will be read and can be

included and delivered with the arrest warrant

5. Justice is our Hope - Deliver an Arrest Warrant for Bashir to the Sudan Embassy.

- A small group of leaders representing various organizations and constituencies will sign & deliver the People's Arrest Warrant for Omar Al-Bashir to the Embassy of the Republic of Sudan