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Please do your part.

The millennium campaign was created in 2000 by the United Nations to eradicate extreme poverty & hunger by 2015.

Please help. Please read on to help and wear a white band to show your support. White bands are available for \$1 from www.millenniumcampaign.org or by emailing childrenwithoutpoverty@yahoo.ca.

- " Wherever men and women are condemned to live in extreme poverty, human rights are violated. To come together to ensure that these rights be respected is our solemn duty. " (F. Joseph Wresinski).
- **Did you know?** At the Monterrey Financing for Development Conference in 2002, world leaders pledged "to make concrete efforts towards the target of 0.7%" of their national income in international aid. In today's dollars, that would amount to almost \$200 billion each year. In 2005, total aid from the 22 richest countries to the world's developing countries was just **\$106 billion**—a **shortfall of \$119 billion dollars** from the 0.7% promise. On average, the world's richest countries provided just 0.33% of their GNP in official development assistance (ODA). The United States provided just 0.22%. **Five countries** have already met or surpassed the 0.7% target: Denmark, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway and Sweden. Where is Canada? We are not yet committed.
- **Did you Know?** 3 million people die every year from Malaria. Solution: \$10 mosquito net. Get yours at www.oxfam.com, <http://www.tear.org.au/giftcatalogue/index.shtml>, or many other organizations that accept donations. We can help facilitate your requirements.
- Want to help and do not know how? Hire Richelle as your Personal/Executive Coach to **uncover what you are passionate about and how you can help the cause**. My Coaching business is setup in such a way to honor 'CHILDREN WITHOUT POVERTY'. Call me to discuss how you might want to help, or hire me to coach you. In exchange, help me pay my path (in other words, support the cause). Call the office: (403) 240-1266. Richelle can also assist with your research / assist you with planned giving or legacy donation decisions.
- **Carla Mohler-Specht** is working with teachers in Calgary schools to integrate the grade 3 curriculum, where children in Alberta are already discussing geopolitics around Poverty, with the United Nations Millennium Campaign. If you know a teacher interested, get them in touch with Carla: childrenwithoutpoverty@yahoo.ca.

CHILDREN WITHOUT POVERTY is not a registered charity. Please donate to the charity of your choice. We recommend: www.millenniumpromise.org (not a registered Canadian charity), www.tear.org (not a registered Canadian charity), www.calgaryfoodbank.com.

- **Tired, just plain tired of the ‘hands in your pockets’ wanting your money, and the people at your door wanting your time!** A friend of mine has a great idea for when you go to the bottle return. When she goes to the bottle depot, she gives her money to the Food Bank. There is always a line up so she goes to the cashier, gives them the bag of bottles and tells them to put the money in the food bank jar that they have sitting on their counter. That way she doesn't have to wait in line and the money is going to a good cause. These are the participating bottle depots:

Location

- Uptown Bottle Depot 629 10th Ave. SW
- Airdrie Bottle Depot 26 East Lake Green NE
- Fish Creek Bottle Depot 15216 Shaw Rd SE
- Bowness Bottle Depot 4708 16 Ave NW
- Northeast Bottle Depot 5497 Falsbridge Dr. NE
- Money Back Bottle Depot 37 St & 26 Ave SW
- Beddington Heights Bottle Depot Bay 111 20 Country Hills Landing NW
- Deerfoot Bottle Depot Ltd 11440 29 St. SE
- Langdon Bottle Depot 8 2 Ave NE Langdon
- North Hill Bottle Depot 3915 3A St NE

Charity & procedure

- Food Bank, skip the line and go to the till.
- Food Bank, just ask them to donate there.
- Food Bank, skip the line and go to the till.
- Food Bank, just ask, there is a jar at the till.
- Food Bank or where you want, get receipt.
- Children's hospital, just ask.
- Scouts/Soccer—whoever is their next bottle drive.
- Scouts – or whoever is the next bottle drive.
- Scouts/Langdon Preschool or Langdon Park.
- Scouts – ask Russ the manager or person at till.

If you have a bottle depot you prefer, ask them if they will donate to the Food Bank and give back into the community.

Annun Accuses Sudan of Rights Violations

By **NICK WADHAMS**, *Associated Press Writer*

Sudan's government is violating international humanitarian law by barring fuel, food and relief aid to civilians in Darfur, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annun said in a report released Monday.

The report to the U.N. Security Council described in frank terms how the people of Darfur have been exposed to more violence in recent months, even as aid groups are cutting the programs because of insufficient funding.

"Civilians in Darfur continued to suffer the consequences of persistent violence and insecurity," Annun said in the report, which was sent to the Security Council and was to be made public in the coming days.

Government embargoes on goods entering areas of Darfur held by the rebel Sudanese Liberation Army "have prevented the access of civilians to vital goods and constitute a violation of international humanitarian law," Annun wrote.

The report covered March and April but made clear that a May 5 peace deal signed between Sudan's government and a main rebel faction has done little to bring solace to civilians in Darfur, where fighting has killed nearly 200,000 people and displaced 2.5 million since 2003.

Annun accused all parties in the conflict of also violating humanitarian law with "totally unacceptable levels of violence and despicable attacks against civilians," even as final negotiations for the peace deal took place.

He demanded that splinter rebel factions which have refused to sign the peace deal be urged to join in efforts toward peace.

Annun's assessment came just days after the top U.N humanitarian official, Jan Egeland, warned that relief efforts in Darfur could collapse within weeks unless the government makes good on the peace deal and donors fund aid work there.



Despite the peace deal, Annan said women still faced rape and other abuses as they went to collect firewood. Local government officials have denied the U.N. access to detention facilities, and humanitarian workers have come under increased attack.

Annan also accused Sudan of failing to punish top state officials and armed leaders for attacks against civilians. That reinforces "a widely shared sense of impunity," he said.

Sudan has opposed an investigation by the U.N. war crimes tribunal into atrocities in Darfur, and instead set up its own investigation and a Special Court for Darfur. Annan said the Sudanese body has only heard one case so far, dating from October, 2005.

When he spoke before the council last week, Egeland warned there was a shortfall of hundreds of millions of dollars in aid.

Annan took up the call, warning that every day mattered for Darfur's civilians.

"I therefore repeat my urgent appeal for the international community to continue supporting the humanitarian effort for Darfur in this critical phase," he said.



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