

INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT, ACTION FOR DARFUR:

A petition from supporters of the Darfur community in Australia

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The Deputy Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, The Hague, Netherlands

On the 31 March 2005 the Prosecutor of ICC after thorough analysis concluded that the statutory requirements for initiating an investigation in regards to crimes committed in Darfur were satisfied. Since then the following individuals have been indicted and warrants sent out for their arrest:

- Ahmad Muhammad Harun ("Ahmad Harun") 27 April 2007
- Ali Muhammad Ali Abd-Al-Rahman ("Ali Kushayb") 27 April 2007
- Omar Hassan Ahmad Al Bashir 14 July 2008
- Abdelrahim Mohamed Hussein 2 December 2011

To date all four individuals continue to serve in the government in North Sudan, continue to commit crimes against the people of Darfur and other parts of Sudan and continue to travel in and out of countries which have ratified the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Meanwhile the humanitarian and economic situation of the people in Darfur continues to deteriorate directly and indirectly from the influence of the men listed above.

We the supporters and people of Darfur living in Australia stand behind the ICC and its critical task to bring justice to perpetrators of crimes against humanity, war crimes and genocide. We are appalled and saddened at the length of time it has taken to arrest these men and request that the ICC:

1. Apply more pressure to the countries which have ratified the Rome Statute to make arrests when these individuals travel to these countries.
2. Put pressure on the UN Security Council to enforce these countries to act.
3. Continue to investigate other cases taken up to ICC on other members of the Sudan regime and individuals who have committed crimes against humanity, murder and rape in Darfur.
4. Act swiftly and ensure these perpetrators are made accountable for their crimes.
5. Continue to speak out on the crimes against humanity in Darfur and Sudan as a whole.
6. Under no circumstances consider revoking these charges against any of them even if it is requested by the African Union or any other body or individual.
7. As members and supporters of the Darfur community in Australia, please advise us of the hurdles you have and let us know what role we can play to bring these criminals to justice.

This petition is endorsed by the following individual supporters of the Darfur community in Australia:

