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Position: China should pressure the Sudan to end the conflict

This position addresses the topic Darfur conflict.

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“ China needs to push Khartoum to accept the U.N.-authorized force. This calls for another strong message from Mr. Spielberg, suspending his participation in the Beijing Olympics until the U.N.-authorized force is deployed in Darfur. It is also time for the principal corporate sponsors of the Beijing games to speak out.”

From Moving China on Darfur, by R. Scott Greathead (*The Wall Street Journal*, November 6, 2007) (view)

“ In a just-concluded tour of the region, Chinese ambassador Liu Guijin said he "didn't see a desperate scenario of people dying of hunger." He couldn't have been looking very hard: The United Nations says 250,000 people have been displaced in Darfur since last fall, adding to more than 2 million already crammed into miserable and insecure camps.”

From Mixed Message, by The Washington Post editorial board (*The Washington Post*, May 30, 2007) (view)

“ Beijing is uniquely positioned to put a stop to the slaughter, yet they have so far been unabashed in their refusal to do so. But there is now one thing that China may hold more dear than their unfettered access to Sudanese oil: their successful staging of the 2008 Summer Olympics. That desire may provide a lone point of leverage with a country that has otherwise been impervious to all criticism.”

From The 'Genocide Olympics', by Ronan Farrow, Mia Farrow (*The Wall Street Journal*, March 28, 2007) (view)

“ Speaking for China, to which Sudan sells 60 percent of its oil and 40 percent of its total exports, Liu Guijin, China's special representative in Darfur, said on the same day: "These willful sanctions and simply applying pressure is not conducive to solving the problem... It will only make achieving a solution more complicated." With China the world's chief protector of Sudan, it is increasingly evident that a worldwide boycott of the 2008 Olympics in Beijing will be much more effective than sanctions against Sudan.”

From Beijing's role in Darfur genocide, by Nat Hentoff (*The Washington Times*, June 11, 2007) (view)

“ “Other countries also must do much more, but China is crucial. If Beijing were to suspend all transfers of arms and spare parts to Sudan until a peace deal is reached in Darfur, then that would change the dynamic. President Omar al-Bashir of Sudan would be terrified — especially since he is now preparing to resume war with South Sudan — and would realize that China is no longer willing to let its Olympics be stained by Darfuri blood.” ”

From China's Genocide Olympics, by Nicholas D. Kristof (*The New York Times*, January 24, 2008) (view)

“ “China recently demonstrated its leverage over Sudan, prevailing upon the regime to allow the embattled African Union force in Darfur to be supplied with better equipment. But China should join with the United States and others to broker a cease-fire in Darfur, without which even a beefed-up peace monitoring force cannot save civilians.” ”

From China and Darfur, by The Washington Post editorial board (*The Washington Post*, December 14, 2006) (view)

“ “Without a lot more international pressure, Sudan will continue to obstruct the peacekeeping mission and spread ever more suffering and mayhem. China, one of Sudan's major trading partners, and the Arab League must bring on that pressure. And the U.N. and other envoys must work full time for the resumption of peace talks. The credibility of the Security Council is on the line. So are the lives of 2.5 million Darfuris.” ”

From Delay, Obstruction and Darfur, by The New York Times editorial board (*The New York Times*, December 10, 2007) (view)

“ “But there's nothing unanimous about the intended message: In for-the-record statements, the U.S. said it would call for "unilateral and multilateral action" if Sudan fails to cooperate with the arrival of peacekeepers, while China praised the Sudanese government's "vigorous efforts" to address the crisis -- and stressed that the resolution was not meant to pressure Khartoum. Whatever.” ”

From UN 'resolve' on Darfur, by Chicago Tribune editorial board (*Chicago Tribune*, August 8, 2007) (view)

“ “The bullet that shattered Mr. Adam's leg and the gun that fired it were almost certainly manufactured in China. The militiaman who pulled the trigger was likely compensated with revenues from Chinese oil purchases, which fund a majority of Khartoum's military actions. And the reason no help has come to Darfur is, in large part, because China has blocked every attempt to deploy a United Nations peacekeeping force.” ”

From China's Crude Conscience, by Ronan Farrow (*The Wall Street Journal*, August 10, 2006) (view)

“ “Beijing runs interference for Sudan's repressive regime, whose armed forces and Arab-Muslim Janjaweed militias are responsible for more than 200,000 deaths and for creating 2 million refugees. If Beijing doesn't use its influence to curb Khartoum's "ethnic cleansing" of Darfur's African Muslims, there may be little others, including the United Nations, can do to end what many are calling the 21st century's first genocide.” ”

From Empowering Evil, by Peter Brookes (*New York Post*, April 9, 2007) (view)

“ Economic sanctions -- or travel curbs on Sudanese dignitaries -- have not and will not work so long as the Khartoum regime has Big Brother China as its vital economic partner -- sitting with veto power in the U.N. Security Council. China imports more than 60 percent of Sudan's bountiful oil output and has otherwise heavily invested in that nation's genocidal economy.”

From Khartoum's enablers in Beijing, by Nat Hentoff (*The Washington Times*, April 16, 2007) (view)

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