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Hearing: One Year After the Fall of El-Fasher:
How Transnational Networks Finance Crimes in Sudan

Submission for the Record by Sudanese Advocate from El Fasher

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The Time to Act Is Now.

As a woman from El Fasher who follows U.S. policy towards Sudan, but also as a family member still waiting for answers. I do not know the fate of more than 50 members of my extended family. Are they dead, detained, or forcibly disappeared? El Fasher has become a mass grave, but for families like mine, it remains a vast prison of unanswered questions.

The atrocities have not ended. The US government has recognised that the RSF committed genocide, and reports have documented the UAE's support for the RSF and its role in arms supply networks. Recognition without action will not stop the killing.

I call on Congress to act urgently, Enforce the UN arms embargo of Darfur, disrupt the networks supplying and financing the RSF, hold accountable those facilitating atrocities, and scrutinise U.S. security cooperation with the UAE in light of the documented evidence of baking the apartheidal genocidal militia (RSF).

Congress must also press for the protection of detainees and answers about the fate of thousands missing people.

How many more Masalit, Fur, Zaghawa, and other Sudanese lives must be lost before strategic interests give way to the responsibility to prevent genocide?

My family is still waiting. Sudanese civilians are still suffering.

Congress has the power to act. Use it now, before more lives are lost, Sudan will not achieve lasting peace without accountability, atrocities recognition and prevention.

Finally, I encourage the U.S. government to listen to the people on the ground and to act urgently to protect the civilians.