DARFUR REGION: INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST CIVILIANS REPORTED TO THE UNITED NATIONS 1 – 29 FEBRUARY 2004

During February 2004, the UN has received reports of 196 civilians killed in the Darfur region. Of these, 192 killings were attributed to Janjaweed and associated forces. Reported incidents include the following:

- On 6 February, Janjaweed militia and associated forces attacked Miha, El Syah, Medo, Sendi, Medoud and Ushara in Millit, Malha localities, north Darfur and killed 30 civilians. A total of 100 cattle were stolen.
- On 7 February, several women were killed in an air bombardment while fleeing from Tabra, west of Tawila (North Darfur) to other places.
- On 10 February, Janjaweed militia attacked an administration unit in Shataya (100 Km south west of Kass, south Darfur, and reportedly killed 88 civilians. Many civilians fled from Shataya and 13 other surrounding villages to Kass, Habiba, Boronga and Kailiak in south Darfur.
- On 11 February, Janjaweed militia reportedly attacked five villages, Shattaya, Derlewiya, Magara, Kaleik and Romalya, situated south of the town of Kass, in South Darfur. Reportedly, 74 civilians were killed in these attacks.
- On 11 February, a passenger bus on its way to Nyala-Idd El Firsan road (Daywanya village), 30 km west of Idd El Firsan, south Darfur, was attacked during which 4 passengers were killed.
- On 12-13 February, an international mission witnessed some ten villages set ablaze. In Kutum hospital, they visited male patients who had recently sustained gunshot injury while they were attending their livestock; IDPs claimed that the perpetrators were Janjaweed militias.
- IDPs in Ardamata camp near Geneina reported that Janjaweed had raped their women (as these were fetching water nearby) and had attacked the camp on several occasions, killing many civilians and looting cattle. Janjaweed riders were seen in Geneina town, with no evidence of efforts to control them.
- On 18 February, Janjaweed militia groups and associated forces coming from Jabal Marra area attacked IDP camps at Nertiti (147 Km north west from Nyala, south Darfur and looted WFP donated food and non-food items, including blankets.

- On 23 February, Janjaweed militia attacked Morni, south Darfur and looted food and non-food items. Janjaweed militias also looted a nearby IDP camp.
- On 23 February, Janjaweed militia looted and burned Digain Karro, 2 Km west of Thor, 132 Km north-west of Nyala.
- On 24 February, humanitarian staff witnessed a village burning in Nabagaya, 7 Km southwest of Kolokuting, 124 Km north-west of Nyala.
- On 27 February, Janjaweed militia attacked a village in Gemeiza Korongo,
 19 Km north-west of Kass, south Darfur by looting IDPs belongings.
- On 27 February, humanitarian staff travelling through Tawila, 62 Km west of El Fashir, observed Janjaweed militia looting and burning a village. Local residents and IDPs indicated the following:
 - (a) 17 people had been killed in the town and an additional 68 in the surroundings of Tawilla town;
 - (b) All houses as well as the market and the health center had been completely looted and the market burnt;
 - (c) Over 100 women had been raped, six in front of there fathers who had later been killed;
 - (d) About 150 women and 200 children had been abducted and;
 - (e) In all of the Tawilla Administrative Unit, 30 villages had been burnt, more than 200 people killed, and more than 200 women raped