

Ladies and Gentlemen, Distinguished Guests,

We gather here today not in celebration, but in mourning, in outrage, and in solidarity. Sudan is bleeding and the conscience of the world must not remain silent. Speaking of my pain and grief is difficult, yet it is necessary—for silence would dishonor my people's suffering.

Since 15 April 2023, the brutality of the RSF has scarred Sudan by more than 106 massacres across the country. They have besieged Al-Fasher for more than 18 months, using hunger and rape as weapons of war. Massacres were committed in the Wad Al Noora, Al-Hilalia, Al-Hurga, Zam Zam camp, Al-Geneina, and Al-Fasher, where the blood could be seen from the satellite. These are not isolated incidents; they are systematic crimes of genocide and ethnic cleansing.

Along the road to Tawila, countless lives have been extinguished in bloody massacres. Villages once filled with laughter now echo only with silence and grief. The war has unleashed horrors that defy imagination: rape and sexual crimes used as weapons of war, families torn apart, and children wandering alone, stripped of the love and protection that every child deserves.

In Tawila camp, unattended children arrive daily—eyes hollow, hearts broken. They have lost mothers, fathers, siblings. They have memories of fire, screams, and unimaginable brutality because of their color and race. They carry trauma that no child should ever bear.

We remember Gisma, a young girl whose life was violently taken, her body left hanging from a tree—a haunting representation of the brutality faced by Sudan's daughters. I want to let Fatima, the brave young girl, know that we are listening to her. She made a video asking the world to assist her in finding her family after she escaped to Gny amidst chaos to save herself. Her voice represents not only her own, but also the voices of countless children seeking assistance, dignity, and justice.

On October 26th and 27th, a series of killings occurred in a systematic, door-to-door manner. At Al-Saudi Hospital, the last standing hospital, 1,894 patients, nurses, doctors, and co-patients were murdered. These acts are not mere war accidents; rather, they constitute deliberate acts of terror, yet the RSF and their allies are not classified as terrorists.

What is tearing Sudan apart is not just a civil war; it is a proxy war fueled by foreign greed. The Emirate is only one piece of this tragedy; many nations have their hands in it, hungry for Sudan's gold and other resources. The RSF militia has become the weapon of this exploitation, leaving behind death, rape, looting, and shattered communities, all in service of outsiders. Every drop of Sudanese blood spilled is sacrificed to enrich others, while the Sudanese are left broken and betrayed.

20 years ago, In 2006, I came to Germany for an interview with the ZDF, during which I made a humanitarian appeal. The German people responded with remarkable generosity, contributing to the United Nations to help save lives in Darfur. This act of solidarity is genuine, heartfelt, and impactful. However, for these 20 years, the people of Darfur continued to endure life in the IDP camps under harsh and degrading conditions. While nations and individuals have shown solidarity, the responsibility of those in positions of power remains greater. Their hesitation has left communities vulnerable, exposed to violence, and trapped in despair. What is required today is more than compassion—it is decisive leadership. Leadership that upholds the rule of law, safeguards the vulnerable, rekindles hope, and transforms solidarity into lasting peace.

Women suffer deeply in this war—raped, enslaved, silenced. Yet they remain the backbone of survival, caring for orphans and holding communities together. Their courage is unmatched, but courage alone cannot stop bullets.

Therefore, I state this plainly: The time has come for the people of Sudan to come together. No one else will rebuild our nation for us. No one else will stand against oppression on our behalf. Our path forward lies in resistance and unity—our obligation to the martyrs, to the children who suffered most, and to women who bear the burden of survival. It is only through our collective efforts that we can reconstruct Sudan, restore dignity, and reclaim peace.

The world cannot remain passive. Silence is complicity, and neutrality is betrayal. We demand justice and accountability for war crimes and genocide because justice is not a choice, but an obligation. We must continue to struggle to ensure that humanitarian aid reaches Tawila, Gerny, and every camp where survivors cling to life with fragile hopes. We must unmask the proxy interests driving this war and terminate the lifelines that empower militias such as the RSF. Sudanese life matters, and justice and solidarity are the foundations of peace.

Let us **not** allow Gisma's death to be forgotten. Let us **not** allow Fatima's plea to fade into the noise of indifference. Let us stand with Sudan's children and women—not tomorrow, not someday, but today.

Sudanese lives matter.

Genocide: Not in my life.

Peace through solidarity and justice through unity.

Thank you.