

Dear Leader,

Thank you for participating in Act for Sudan's National Days of Action for Sudan: Letters to Guisma (pronounced "Geesma"). There are events scheduled throughout the country! Each event is unique and locally designed - but all National Days of Action events will be connected together through the collective messages we wish to send to one girl: Guisma.

Guisma, an 8-year-old Darfuri girl, is living in a refugee camp in Chad. Her story is at once solely her own and shared by hundreds of thousands fleeing the genocidal Khartoum regime in numerous regions of Sudan. **"Letters to Guisma" is a nationwide community art project featuring a silhouette of Guisma's face printed on a postcard, to be filled in with the advocacy asks, thoughts, prayers and well-wishes for Guisma, her family and community. You can also download high resolution images for projection or printing on large banners at our website: www.actforsudan.org/nationaldays. The postcards and larger art pieces will be sent to Guisma, care of President Obama. However, Act for Sudan will deliver these en masse, so please collect these and send them back to Act for Sudan.**

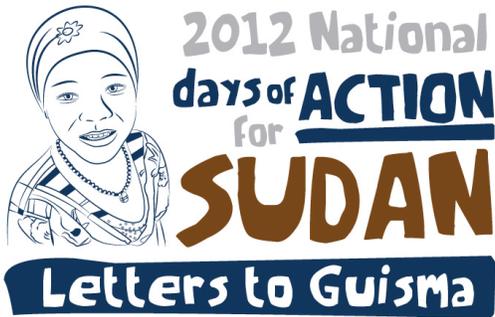
The Sudanese government is currently engaged in a full-scale military assault on the people of the Nuba Mountains/South Kordofan and Blue Nile. Hundreds of thousands of civilians are at risk because evacuation routes are blocked. By sharing Guisma's story, we call attention to the ongoing crises in Darfur, South Kordofan, Blue Nile, Abyei, and Eastern Sudan, spurring activism and ensuring Sudan is put on the front burner.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. (optional) Print large images of Guisma's silhouette (www.actforsudan.org/nationaldays) to have for a community art and advocacy project
2. Set up an area at your event for writing messages on the postcards/banners OR have designated people walking around collecting postcards
3. Have the "Take Action: Write a Message to Guisma" instructions at the table or with volunteers
4. (optional) Provide color pencils, paint, markers, and more to decorate postcards.
5. Encourage activists to write policy asks, thoughts, prayers and well-wishes for Guisma, her family and Sudanese community
6. Once your event is finished, use the enclosed shipping label to send completed postcards and art back to Act for Sudan:
Act for Sudan
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1732 Aviation Blvd #138
Redondo Beach, CA 90278
7. Join the National Activist Webinar on Monday April 30 and encourage others to join too. (More information to be posted on www.actforsudan.org)

Thank you for participating in Letters to Guisma. If you have any questions, you can contact Katie-Jay at ktj@iactivism.org.

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TAKE ACTION: WRITE A MESSAGE TO GUI SMA

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Step 1: Decorate Guisma's silhouette

Step 2: Write a message with advocacy asks, thoughts, and prayers for Guisma to be sent to President Obama.

Step 3: Return postcards to the event host! They will delivered to President Obama together with thousands collected across the country.

Advocacy Talking Points:

You can include any one of these on your Letters to Guisma postcard

- Civilian Protection Accelerate actions that will protect the people of Nuba, Blue Nile, and Darfur from air attacks. Consider the destruction of offensive aerial assets and/or imposition of a no-fly zone, as long requested by the affected Sudanese civilians.
- Humanitarian Aid Immediately initiate a cross border emergency aid program to the Nuba Mountains, Darfur, Blue Nile and Abyei regions.
- End Impunity; Support Justice
 - Work for international coordination to apprehend individuals wanted by International Criminal Court, including President Omar al-Bashir.
 - Establish independent commissions of inquiry into the South Kordofan and Blue Nile attacks, as recommended by Ambassador Lyman, and reconstitute the UN Panel of Experts on Darfur.
- Secure Peace, Leading to Democratic Transition Refocus the disparate ongoing "peace" negotiations toward one comprehensive process including all marginalized populations and their concerns.

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