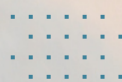


# SUDAN REFUGEE

**BVOR BACKGROUNDBERS**



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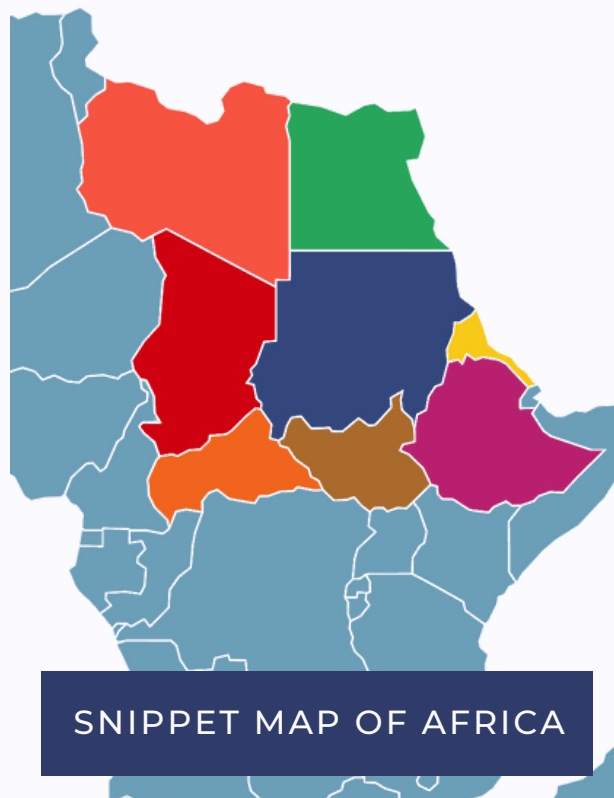
## SUDAN'S RECENT HISTORY OF UNREST + DISPLACEMENT

There has ongoing conflict in the country between various groups, including religious populations, as well as unstable security situations in the Blue Nile and Kordofan regions with armed confrontations between the Sudan Armed Forces and Sudan People's Liberation Movement. These conflicts have involved the use of heavy weapons and air strikes and the instability has allowed terrorist groups to operate in Sudan, resulting in suicide bombings and kidnappings.

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**SUDAN IS LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST PART OF AFRICA. BORDERED BY CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC, CHAD, EGYPT, ERITREA, ETHIOPIA, LYBIA, SOUTH SUDAN, AND THE RED SEA.**





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## WHERE DO PEOPLE GO?

Most refugees from Sudan flee to Chad, Egypt, Kenya and Uganda.

## WHY CAN'T THEY STAY IN...

### Chad

**Insecurity:** Refugees in Chad face insecurity in the camps where children are forcibly recruited by armed groups from Chad and Sudan and subjected to human trafficking. Women and girls in refugee camps are also vulnerable to gender-based violence, sexual harassment, prostitution, and early marriage.

**Access to basic needs and living conditions:** Access to clean water, food, safe shelter, sanitation, physical protections for refugee children, education, health systems and employment are amongst the lowest in refugee camps in Chad. The camps often flood during the rainy seasons and food and water are scarce. These conditions expose refugees to disease and malnutrition, which coupled with a lack of infrastructure, and access to schools and healthcare, make it difficult for them to restart their lives there.

### Egypt

**Discrimination and access to services:** Refugees fleeing Sudan have limited freedom of movement, access to services, education, and employment in Egypt. There have also been reports of discrimination and targeting by the Egyptian authorities.

### Kenya

**Access to basic needs:** Refugees from Sudan face several challenges in Kenya, including but not limited to accessing basic needs in refugee camps, limited or inadequate food and water supplies, limited access to shelter and basic sanitation. Their freedom of movement is also severely limited in the country.





# B V O R   B A C K G R O U N D E R S

## REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Blended Visa-Office Referred (BVOR) program helps to resettle refugees to Canada identified by the United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR) as those who are the most vulnerable and most in need of resettlement.

The BVOR program is a partnership program between sponsor groups in Canada, Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada (IRCC), and the newcomers. IRCC provides up to six months of income support to the newcomers, while the private sponsors provide the start-up costs, remaining six months financial support, along with social and emotional support for the newcomers' first year in Canada.

For more information about the BVOR program, and to view profiles of refugees that urgently need to be matched with a sponsoring group, please visit our website or contact us via email.

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