Madam Speaker, I am here to support

H.R. 3127, but I have serious concerns

that this legislation is too little too

late for hundreds of thousands of innocent

people who have died and continue to be in danger.

Secretary of State Colin Powell declared

the murder in Sudan a genocide

in September, 2004, 2 years ago. I voted

on this legislation in subcommittee 15

months ago. And every day since then,

the violence and the humanitarian crisis

in Darfur have gotten worse. Passing

this legislation today may make us

all feel good, but it will not end the

genocide or even slow down the killing.

Sudan is a rogue nation. Sudan is a

state sponsor of terrorism. In the

Darfur region, the Sudanese regime

terrorizes its citizens; it trains, it

funds, and it arms the Janjaweed militia

that commits acts of terrorism and

mass murder and the systematic rape

of girls and women. More than 2,000 villages

have been destroyed in Darfur.

More than 2 million people have been

driven from their homes, and thousands

of lives are at risk of disease and

ongoing terrorist attacks by the Khartoum

regime and the Janjaweed militia.

This is an evil regime perpetrating genocide.

Genocide is not a number of random

incidents of violence. Genocide is the

sum, the horrible outcome, of acts of

terrorism perpetrated in a systematic

manner against civilians; 400,000 innocent people have died.

When H.R. 3127 passed this House, it

included language calling upon the

Secretary of State to declare the

Janjaweed militia a foreign terrorist

organization. I thank Mr. HYDE, Mr.

SMITH, and Mr. LANTOS for supporting

it. This language, unfortunately, has

been stripped from the bill. But let us

today call upon Secretary of State Rice

to immediately designate the

Janjaweed militia a foreign terrorist

organization. Those who murder Africans

are terrorists. Those who murder

Muslim Africans are terrorists, and

they should be given the same terrorist

designation as those who attack Americans

and Israelis. The Janjaweed militia

are terrorists, and they must be

held accountable for their crimes

against humanity.