Mr. Speaker, yesterday

afternoon the gentleman from Illinois

(Mr. JACKSON) and I returned from a 4-

day trip to the Sudan, including mostly

into the Darfur region in West

Sudan. We visited the camps where the

displaced persons are. We visited North

Darfur, which is an area under control

by the Sudanese Liberation Movement,

the rebel groups.

I am here to report to my colleagues

today that unfortunately the attacks

on the people of Darfur are continuing

by the Janjaweed, that is the militia

that has been armed by the government

and sent on these missions to destroy

and to kill the people there, increasing

the huge numbers of displaced

persons who are fleeing into these

camps. The conditions in these camps

are absolutely intolerable. They are

living in positive squalor. The world’s

humanitarian community is responding

in a very positive way, but the conditions

continue to grow worse.

What is needed is greater security.

What is needed is a greater commitment

by the African Union to send

troops to provide that kind of security.

What is needed is a commitment by the

Sudanese government to end the

Janjaweed attacks and to allow the humanitarian

community to provide the

relief that is necessary and to provide

the security also so that these people

can return to their homes.