Mr. Speaker, let me

thank the Members who have participated

in the dialogue on what is going

on in the Darfur region of Sudan.

Let me thank our leader, Leader

PELOSI, for her participation, Chairman

WATT of the Congressional Black

Caucus from North Carolina, Congresswoman

KILPATRICK from Michigan,

Congresswomen LEE, WATSON and WATERS

from California, Congressmen

RUSH and DAVIS from Illinois, Congressman

GREEN from Texas, Congresswoman

MOORE from Wisconsin, and

Congressman JEFFERSON from Louisiana

for their participation this

evening.

Let me also acknowledge other Members

who were not here tonight but

have been real troopers in this battle

for justice. Congressman CAPUANO from

Massachusetts, and on the other side of

the aisle, this is indeed not a partisan

issue, because there is no person who

has fought harder for the last 20 years

or so on Sudan than Congressman

WOLF from Virginia. He is there all of

the time.

Congressman TANCREDO from Colorado,

Congressman ROYCE from California,

Congressman SMITH from New

Jersey, all Members of the House who

have said that enough is enough, that

we must do more. And so 2 years ago,

we declared genocide in Darfur. And

that was 10 years after the world ignored

Rwanda when genocide went on.

And had the world done something in

Armenia in 1916, when the so-called

young Turks came in and had genocide

on the Armenia population, perhaps

this would not have happened today. Or

in 1939 as the German Nazis went

through Europe and created the Holocaust,

perhaps this would not have happened.

If in Cambodia when Pol Pot and his

regime killed millions of people, perhaps

this would not have happened. If

in Rwanda, when we saw the genocide

happen, perhaps it would not be happening

in Darfur. But we looked the

other way in all of those instances and

genocide is still here today. We must

stop the genocide.

There is no reason for people to still

be slaughtered as they are being. You

have heard the figures, and I will not

repeat them. But the National Congress

Party, formerly the National Islamic

Front, cannot and should not get

away with this campaign of murder

and terrorism.

This government under President

Bashir came to power in a bloody coup

d’etat in 1989. The NIF Government

harbored Osama bin Laden for 5 years,

from 1991 to 1996. From there his

operatives planned the assassination

attempt on President Mubarak of

Egypt. The NIF Government never was

held responsible for harboring terrorists.

They were responsible for millions of

deaths before and they continue now to

do this in Darfur. We must hold them

accountable. There has been an authorization

of 20,000 U.N. peacekeepers to

go into Darfur. The government says

no. We must, as President Bush said at

the United Nations yesterday, we can

no longer allow this to go on.

The U.N. must go into Darfur to help

the 7,000 AU troops who cannot handle

this job alone. I was quite pleased that

President Bush was forceful in his remarks

yesterday at the 61st United Nations

General Assembly.

President Bush said, ‘‘If the Sudanese

Government does not approve this

peacekeeping force quickly, the United

Nations must act.’’

He then stated that, ‘‘the UN’s credibility

was on the line.’’ President, Mr.

Bush, I agree. And we must add that

the credibility of the United States

Government is also on the line. We

cannot allow genocide to continue.

I welcome the appointment of Andrew

Nazios as the Presidential envoy

for Sudan. We look forward to working

with him. But he must have a robust

mandate. He must have the proper

staff. He must have access to the White

House. He must have leadership in the

State Department if we are going to

have a success.

Finally, countries with influence in

Khartoum must be used to urge the

Government of Khartoum to stop the

genocide.

China, who our country, with the balance

of trade to them, have made them

a robust country with 500 million middle-

class people as a result of their selling

their products to us, must tell the

Government of Sudan that they must

stop what they are doing.

We should be able to force China to

get involved and say that enough is

enough. And Russia must continue,

must be stopped from selling arms to

Sudan.

The Arab League must step up to the

plate. And Egypt that gets $2 billion a

year from the United States taxpayers

must stand up and tell their neighbors,

their friends, the Government of

Sudan, that enough is enough. We must

hold our so-called friends accountable.

Mr. Speaker, I appreciate having the

opportunity for us to have this discussion.

We look forward to our government

stepping up to the plate. Once

again, enough is enough. It should really

be ‘‘never again.’’

Let me just conclude by thanking the

Metro West and the Jewish community

in the State of New Jersey and

throughout the United States who have

come up and have been so supportive.

And we are getting many more groups

getting involved.