I thank the gentleman.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the

Darfur Accountability and Divestment

Act. I want to thank Congressman LEE

for her leadership in this effort; also

Chairman FRANK for his effort to move

this thing and not just talk about it,

but actually get it out; also Congressman

BACHUS and Congresswoman

ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN for their effort.

I also want to thank all of the young

students around the country who have

participated in this whole disinvestment

thing. When the whole tide was

running against them, they went

against the tide, and this language,

this legislation, will enable them now

to move.

Genocide continues. 400,000 to 450,000

have died. There are 2.5 million in

camps, many in Chad. Now, the Sudanese

government, I heard on Friday,

are giving the right for people in Chad

to come back, not Sudanese but people

from Chad, to come in and take over

much of the land, some of the land, up

to 90,000 that belongs to the people of

Darfur.

The previous speaker just said the

U.N. failed. Wow, the U.N. failed so

much. The U.N. failed in Srebeniza.

They stood by and allowed the Serbs to

come in and commit genocide in

Srebeniza. The U.N. failed. And Kofi

Annan, who was really head of U.N.

peacekeeping, and he failed while he

just stood by and allowed the genocide

to take place in Rwanda. Kofi Annan

and the U.N. failed and history has to

show it. It has to show that the people

at the U.N. failed to deal with this

issue of genocide.

When Senator BROWNBACK and I were

there with the first group, we came

back and asked Kofi Annan to go. He

had not actually been there before.

This has been a failure. And because of

Congresswoman LEE and Chairman

FRANK and others coming to demonstrate

the United States is committed

to doing something that can

really make a difference and not just a

resolution that calls something something

and nothing ever happens.

The Chinese have failed. We cannot

hide the fact. Every time you purchase

a piece of furniture or food or whatever

and it says ‘‘Made in China,’’ this is the

government that has helped bring you

the genocide in Darfur. Their Olympics

in 2008 will be a monument to their

genocidal activity and effort. Period.

Period. They’ve even hired people to

put on a good show similar to what

Nazi Germany did, Hitler did, in the

Olympics in the thirties. They could

have singlehandedly stopped the genocide.

The President of China went to

Sudan and we all thought that he was

going to announce that he had put

pressure on the Sudanese government.

He announced that he was building

them a new palace. China, after the

Government of Sudan, is the number

two country responsible, history will

show, responsible.

Lastly, because of the efforts of Congresswoman

LEE, hopefully now all of

the Governors and the State legislatures,

including my own, which did it

in the Senate but not in the House, will

now feel released and there will be no

excuse to pass these, the same way

that the State of New Jersey did under

the leadership of Don Payne and the

people there. The same way that California

did. The same way that Illinois

did. Many States have been reluctant.

They have looked for excuses to find

out. This legislation takes away all the

excuses and hopefully this time next

year after all the legislatures have had

an opportunity to act, there will be a

rollcall and all 50 legislatures will have

participated and made this State law

whereby the disinvestment takes place

around the world.

Again, I thank Congresswoman LEE. I

thank the gentleman from New Jersey.

There ought to be a rollcall vote on

this. I don’t know what the intentions

are, I’m not involved in it, but there

ought to be a rollcall vote because they

will look to see. One, it will be interesting

to see if anyone votes ‘‘no’’ on

it, but secondly I think the Chinese

will look, the Bashir will look, the

Khartoum government will look, and

lastly the people in the camps will find

out that the United States Congress

has done something to really make a

difference.