Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Sir, I want to thank you for your testimony and, obviously, for

your service.

I wanted to ask you, in particular, about legislation which you

may have already spoken to this morning, and I apologize for coming

in when I did. But we have—among many things that are being

proposed here on Capitol Hill and in the Senate, there’s legislation,

introduced by Senator Durbin, Senate bill S. 831, the Sudan Disinvestment

Authorization Act of this year; of 2007. I wanted to get

your perspective on that, and also to ask you, in particular, about

the administration, whether or not the administration has taken a

formal position on that legislation.

Well, do you see it as an either/or, or do you

think there’s a middle ground? I mean, I support this legislation,

but let’s talk academically for a second. Don’t you think we should

create some pressure on companies who are making investment decisions,

or decisions about capital? Isn’t there a way to balance that

against the concerns that you raise?

The last question I have is in connection with the

approach we take. There are obviously a lot of proposals about a

multipronged deployment of peacekeeping troops and using all

kinds of other pressure, in addition to any kind of use of force, but

what’s your sense of the right balance of that, in terms of a hybrid

approach? And how do you think the administration views this?

Because when you talk to people—and I think this is a sentiment

we all feel; it’s not just people who are outside of Washington, it’s

all of us—all of us want to do something, and people are

getting——

Frustrated, because they don’t get a

sense that there’s any movement, that there’s any progress, that

there’s any consensus. And I guess it’s also a frustration because

we feel—and I think—I don’t think it’s any one party or institution

to blame, but there’s a sense that there’s—we try—we talk about

things—this Government talks about strategies, we talk about approaches,

and they receive attention for a couple of days—and I’m

really honored to be part of this hearing that Senator Biden

called—but that there’s no sustained effort to do something that

has real impact. Just from your own experience——

Thank you for your work.

Thank you, sir.