

EUR/ECA EXCHANGE SIMULATION PROGRAM

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THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE: We advocate that the AU [African Union] mediate judicial proceedings regarding the killings in Darfur.

UNITED NATIONS: The refugees are protected under UN [United Nations] law, and the UN [United Nations] has a responsibility to step in.

(INFORMAL NEGOTIATIONS)

CHINA: We want a peacekeeping force to be present in Sudan, but we want the peace process to be led by the Government of Sudan, and that is for two reasons. First of all, we want the Government of Sudan to be capable to deal with its own problems.

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS: We really want to have the peacekeepers to, um, to see where the weapon goes.

GOVERNMENT OF SUDAN: We assure the international community that no such weapon shipments that we receive from China are falling into the hands of the Janjaweed and the rebels.

THE AFRICAN UNION: We look forward to the continuation of development of the peacekeeping forces, as authorized by the Government of Sudan.

CHINA: The peace agreement is something that was discussed some time ago. It's not in discussion right now. So we agree about the number and we are pushing for (inaudible). So what more do you want from us?

(LASTING IMPRESSIONS)

STUDENT: But it was really difficult to – not to stay angry at them because –

STUDENT: Yeah.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- because you can see that something is really wrong with the situation, that you – when they are so stubborn and they don't really want to cooperate with you, although you're making a lot of compromises and you just want to help them. And that's how we learn how to be diplomats.

STUDENT: Today, it has been one of the greatest experience because we had the possibility to see how we have to negotiate and how we have to compromise ideas and how we have to sit in the same table with people that absolutely disagree with your statements.

STUDENT: This was the hardest role I'd ever played because it was completely opposite of what I was used to.

STUDENT: It was interesting to see how individual state interests, especially concerning China in this case, influenced their positions and really gives them certain things that they would not compromise on.

STUDENT: It was just – it was difficult for us to be a part of the NGOs because we may not be taken so serious. But we made it and – yeah, and it feels good to do something good in this world, yeah.