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A SHARE OF THE BLAME FOR GENOCIDE

[This is a response to Berkshire Hathaway shareholders and their decision not to endorse the divestment of Berkshire's holdings in PetroChina, one of the biggest funders of the Sudanese government]

In April, we commemorated the Holocaust: the systematic genocide of the Jewish people under Adolf Hitler. We are now living in the middle of another holocaust in Darfur. We deplore that many of those who could have done something for the Jewish people often did nothing. Now we can do something for the people of Darfur. We can sacrifice some of our comfort to send a message en masse to the Sudanese government — "never again!" Instead, the majority of the Berkshire stockholders have chosen to ignore, explain away or pretend we have no voice, no power, no ability to effect change — the same things that were said during World War II — and history will judge us for turning a blind eye, again.

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