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"An international student organization dedicated to the eradication of social injustice"

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Students World Concern (SWC) realizes that social injustice prevails throughout the world. It is our intention to thwart the growth of deprivation and oppression and we shall work to abolish the conditions which cause the same.

Although we are theoretically apolitical, our positions may appear politically motivated on various issues. But it is for human and not political motives that we urge compassion and cooperation in a world which has yet to know enough of either. Let pride and politics, bias and greed, be set aside today to ensure a better world tomorrow.

We believe that it is the responsibility of every man of every race, nation, color and creed to make a concerted effort to alleviate the suffering and death which are a result of poverty, hunger and disease. Even though these plights have plagued men for centuries, their devastating human effects can be significantly decreased in a modern era.

With chapters across the globe, STUDENTS WORLD CONCERN seeks to make the world aware of its problems and to suggest specific avenues for relief. SWC sincerely hopes that all the citizens of the world will join hands to fight the difficulties within and without their own territories.

We have no desire to perpetuate past conflicts nor to instigate new problems; indeed our efforts, as the efforts of all sensible men concerning these deeply human misfortunes, are towards relief and reconciliations rather than accentuation of division and deprecation.

This organization was formed recognizing that similar groups exist in various parts of the world. However, in a philanthropic effort of this general scope, duplication of effort need not be feared. We appreciate the political perspicacity of individuals who advise us that we are duplicating efforts in view of the fact that our goals coalesce with those of other groups. However, as long as problems persist, we shall continue in our humanitarian endeavors to effect a better world. We believe that in terms of human oppression, we cannot do too much!



PLIGHT OF PAKISTANI REFUGEES WORSENS



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Horrors of East Pakistan

Turning Hope Into Despair

In December 1970, the people of East Pakistan won a majority in the National Assembly which rules all Pakistan.

Negotiations to form a new government resulted in a stalemate. And on March 25, West Pakistani troops stormed into East Pakistan. Their special target: The East Pakistani professional class. Destroy them and you destroy the leadership of the country.

They wasted neither time nor bullets. Doctors, teachers, writers, scientists and artists by the thousands were summarily executed.

Today, it's estimated that 250,000 men, women, and children have been killed.

The savagery has created the worst refugee problem of our time. Even worse than Biafra. 10,000,000 terror-stricken people, 3 million of them children, have fled from East Pakistan to India. 10 million people! It's as if half the population of California was suddenly uprooted and driven into exile.

The more fortunate live in huts, tents and sewer pipes. The others huddle under trees. Or worse, lie exposed in open fields. Food is scarce. Sanitary facilities are practically nonexistent. Malnutrition and disease are rampant.

Ill-housed and ill-fed, they are now being swamped by torrential monsoon rains.

India, who must suffer the burden of ten million refugees from East Pakistan is entering its worst financial crisis. Right now, India receives \$1 billion from all the nations of the World Bank for development. But \$400 million is all that they have left after they pay the interest due the nations to whom India is indebted: that is \$600 million for interest only -- the principal has not even begun to be repaid. On top of this, the cost of keeping their ten million guests alive is over 1½ billion dollars per annum.

What can you do? First, you can make a contribution: any amount of money is that much more than would be used for relief if you didn't give it. And since this is an international organization with 100 per cent volunteers, not one penny of your contributions will go for administrative costs. We, subsequent to receiving your money, will expedite its use in the relief efforts in eastern India and East Pakistan. The money will either go through UNICEF, CARE, or our own project which is responsible for transporting food and medical supplies from India into East Pakistan.

Second, you can write your Congressmen and President Nixon urging their efforts to alleviate the suffering and death in that Asian sector. Some points that you might wish to raise could include: 1) cessation of all foreign aid to the government of West Pakistan which is responsible for the deaths of millions; 2) an unprecedented increase in allocation of emergency relief funds to international relief organizations with the specific use for Pakistan relief; 3) a moratorium of one year on the payment of interest due the United States by India for previous debts; this would not cancel or decrease the amount of money owed the U.S. but would ease the financial burden on India; 4) a gift of an additional \$250 million to the government of India to aid in its relief work and in its national development; 5) political pressure by the Government of the U.S. to make President Yahya Kahn stop these unnecessary murders and to allow free flow of relief supplies.

So ... please send your money and write your letters. If you know of any additional way to help please inform us by calling or dropping us a line. Thank you.

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Calcutta---Large numbers of East Pakistani refugee children are dying every day from malnutrition and the diseases that accompany it, and tens of thousands are seriously malnourished and facing death.

Accurate mortality figures are not available because officials in the Indian refugee camps do not keep them separately for children, but a spot check of several camps makes it clear that the deaths of children in the critical group, ages 1 to 8, number at least in the hundreds every day. Some foreign relief officials believe the toll is even higher.

"Thousands are dying," said Alan Leather, an experienced field worker for Oxfam, the British-based relief organization, "and we think tens of thousands will die unless a large-scale child-feeding program is begun immediately."

Infants lie dying on cots in sweltering makeshift field hospitals, their skin stretched taut across their wasted frames. Their numbed mothers stand over them, fanning them with cloth or cardboard, or trying to put some food in their mouths, which they immediately vomit.

"Will he live?" a visitor asked about one such skeletal child less than two months old, who was too weak to move or cry. "There is no chance," said an Indian nurse. The mother's eyes agreed.