



Cardinal Stephen Ameyu Martin Mulla,
President, Sudan and South Sudan Catholic Bishops' Conference
Archbishop of Juba,
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Dear Cardinal Stephen,

Warm greetings to you and the Sudan and South Sudan Catholic Bishops' Conference.

We write to extend to you the prayerful support of the Church in England and Wales and to express our solidarity with you in the intensifying crisis that you and the people of your countries face.

We have heard your cry in your recent statement, in which you reminded the international community of the need for support to bring about an end to the civil conflict and allow for immediate humanitarian access to alleviate hunger across Sudan. We have paid attention to the most recent UN World Food Programme statement that nearly 18 million people are now facing acute food insecurity. This is a tragedy of immense proportions and caused primarily by conflict and violence.

Please be assured that we will continue to remain in contact with our own Government urging them to increase their humanitarian and diplomatic efforts.

We join our Holy Father, Pope Francis, in prayer that "paths to peace are soon found" and that there is an end to the unnecessary suffering.

Yours in Christ,

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Cardinal Vincent Nichols
Archbishop of Westminster
President, Catholic Bishops' Conference of
England and Wales

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Rt Rev Paul Swarbrick
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