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The article "US Focuses on Aiding African Union in Darfur" (Thursday, May 12, 2005), might more aptly have been entitled "After Declaring a Genocide, Bush Abandons Darfur". For the Bush administration to oppose the bi-partisan measure which passed the Senate and is now pending in the House (HR1424) is a travesty. As you report, the pending measure calls for sanctions against Sudan and a no-fly zone; the purpose of the measure is to stop the killing of innocents in Darfur. The Bush Administration labeled what is happening in Darfur "genocide"; President Bush boldly declared "Not on My Watch", clearly meaning that he would not allow a genocide like the one that occurred in Rwanda to happen during his administration. Now, to have the unmitigated gall to actively work against a serious move by the US Congress to exert pressure on Sudan to stop the genocide in Darfur, is outrageous and should offend the hearts, minds and souls of all Americans, be they Democrats or Republicans. Shame on Mr. Bush, and *shame on the American public if we stand idly by while yet another genocide is carried out*

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