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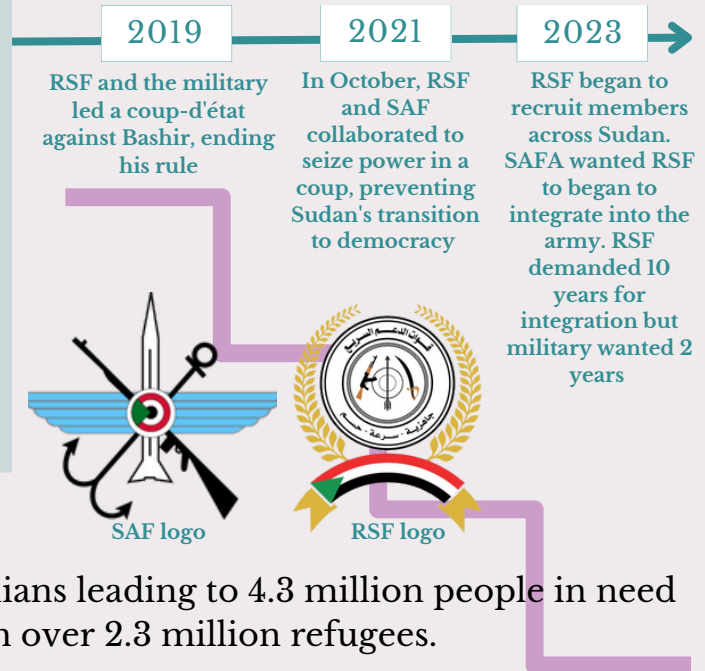
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CURRENT SUDANESE REFUGEE CRISIS

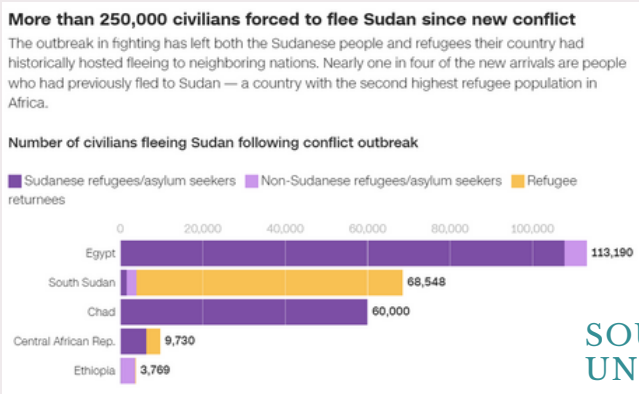
Sudan's conflict began on April 15 with fighting in Khartoum between two rival factions. The conflict began with attacks from Rapid Support Forces (RSF) on the Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF). In response, SAF closed airports in the country and began conducting airstrikes. The fighting spread to the Darfur region and threatens the safety of many civilians [1].

RSF

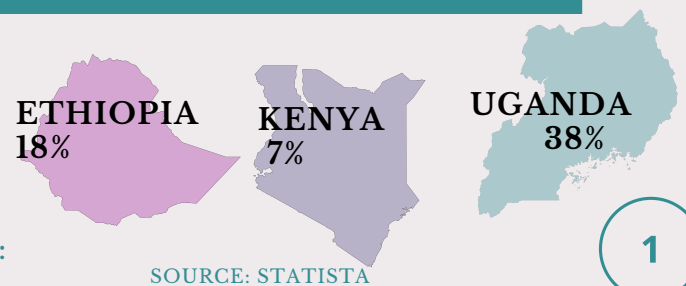
- Commanded by General Mohamed Hamdan Dagalo (Hemediti)
- Began in 2013, evolved from Janjaweed-Arab militias in Darfur
- In 2017, RSF was given the "independent security force" title
- Omar al-Bashir was the former president and military strongman who sent RSF to fight in Yemen and Libya
- RSF grew under the patronage of al-Bashir and relationships with Russia's Wagner Group



The fighting poses a dangerous threat to civilians leading to 4.3 million people in need of humanitarian assistance with over 2.3 million refugees.



COUNTRIES HOSTING REFUGEES





VIDEO & AUDIO



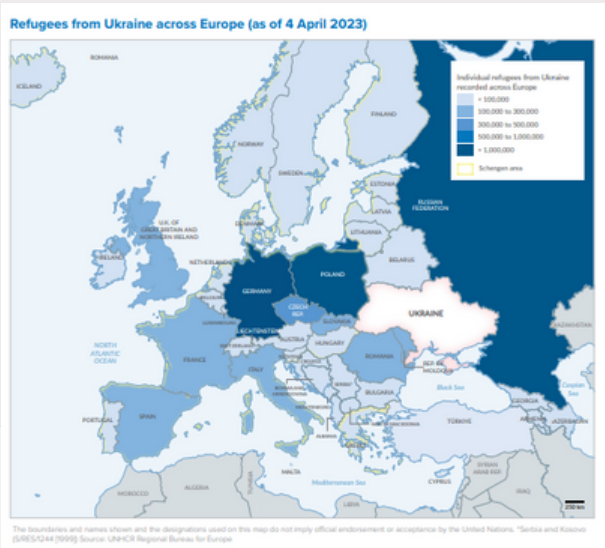
“The crisis in Sudan underlines just how important it is to work together with the international community to address refugee issues and ensure the safety of those fleeing violence and persecution around the globe.”
 -Enver Solomon, CEO of Refugee Council

APRIL UPDATES

US Government:

On April 27, 2023, the Department of State and Department of Homeland Security took procedures to reduce illegal migration. Such efforts include greater consequences for failure to use lawful pathways. Due to the end of Title 42 and the surge of migrants, the new border restrictions are to slow migrant rates. (US Immigration)

Ukraine Update:





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