

Jan Egeland Quotes

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I think now, we in the international community are belatedly wanting to show our solidarity with the Somali peoples and also do our best to help them move to better times.

~Jan Egeland

We need better coordination on the international side, just as they need better and more effective efforts on the Somali side. We have too many reconstruction and development assistance plans.

~Jan Egeland

I think the biggest challenge for Somalia has been the sense that it is a hopeless case of incomprehensible internal conflicts and there is nothing we can do.

~Jan Egeland

We estimate that humanitarian agencies have access to about 350,000 vulnerable people in Darfur - only about one third of the estimated total population in need.

~Jan Egeland

We receive reports now on a daily basis from our own people on the ground in Darfur on widespread atrocities and grave violations of human rights against the civilian population.

~Jan Egeland

In a world full of competing emergencies and disasters, it really helps if there is an international locomotive that can help us bring attention - help us bring resources.

~Jan Egeland

Secondly, the Government of Sudan should commit to the disarmament and control of the Janjaweed militia and ensure that the targeting of civilians ceases immediately.

~Jan Egeland

First there is the search and rescue phase that is now ending. It is a cruel reality.

~Jan Egeland

I have been working, as emergency relief coordinator, on an international scale, very hard to build a wider alliance of partners in assistance efforts.

~Jan Egeland

No amount of humanitarian assistance can protect people from being attacked.

~Jan Egeland

Many access roads are too dangerous for relief workers, preventing them from carrying out assessments or reaching people in need.

~Jan Egeland

Climate change disasters will displace more and more. Those who are most exposed are the poorest.

~Jan Egeland

In the Horn of Africa now, there are tens of thousands dying from the extreme vulnerability they are living in.

~Jan Egeland

Somaliland and Somalia at large have been receiving now hundreds of thousands of returnees that they had to accommodate with very small resources.

~Jan Egeland

It's a cruel reality. But after a week, very few people survive.

~Jan Egeland

I think now Somalia is turning a corner and we can, with the new

political development, build on momentum - really build a peaceful future.

~Jan Egeland

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