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# **SPOTLIGHT ON THE CRISES IN SUDAN AND DRC: A COMMUNITY ROUNDTABLE ON IMPERIALISM AND GLOBAL INDIFFERENCE**

**VENUE: UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG ROOM 2M70**

**This Community Roundtable addresses the crises in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) with attention on the recent escalations of decades-long incursions by Western imperialist and colonial forces. In recent weeks, the genocide in Sudan has gained wider attention, largely due to the catastrophic effects of mass starvation and the actions of the UAE and Western (including Canadian) sponsored Rapid Support Forces (RSF), particularly in El Fasher. Satellite imagery shared by global media has revealed several sites marked by pools of blood, providing rare visual confirmation of what Sudanese people have been telling the world. At the same time, the extreme conditions in the DRC, driven by both Western and Eastern greed for minerals, have intensified, resulting in genocidal atrocities, enforced starvation, and enslavement of mostly young people.**

**This roundtable aims to engage speakers who will share their perspectives on these crises and explore the reasons for their persistence, as well as why African suffering is often met with global indifference.**

**SPEAKERS:**

**JOHISE NAMWIRA**

**FREDERIC MIRINDI**

**RICHARD BOLI**

**MODERATORS: CHIGBO ANYADUBA**

**AND ELIAKIM SIBANDA**

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