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# Learn more about the LRA

## Key Resources from Enough and Partners

For more than 20 years, the Lord's Resistance Army, or LRA, and its leader Joseph Kony have wreaked havoc on civilian communities across central Africa. What began in 1989 as a rebellion based in northern Uganda has morphed into a regional insurgency that now terrorizes civilians in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo, southern Sudan, and the Central African Republic. The history of the LRA is long and complex, and there is a wealth of information available if you want to learn more.

The Enough Project website has a special resource page devoted to the LRA. We also write regularly about the LRA on our blog, Enough Said, and our researchers based in central Africa produce reports with analysis of the situation on the ground and specific recommendations for policymakers. You can find the latest reports on the Enough Project's Northern Uganda page.

We also encourage you to explore other sources of information on the LRA. From websites to films to reports to books, below is a list of the best resources.

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### News Articles

BBC

**Profile: Uganda's LRA Rebels (2004)**

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/3462901.stm>

*A short explanation of the LRA's indoctrination of abductees*

**Q&A: Uganda's northern war (2006)**

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/3514473.stm>

*A brief summary of the LRA's effect on northern Uganda as of 2006*

THE GUARDIAN

**Issues: LRA**

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/katine/lra>

*A special topics page on the LRA, including frequent blog entries and opinion pieces on the conflict*

**When the LRA came to Katine (2009)**

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/katine/2009/apr/07/daniel-emou-lra>

*A resident of Katine, northern Uganda shares his story of an LRA attack*

## IRIN

### **Living with the LRA: The Juba Peace Initiative (2007)**

<http://www.irinnews.org/InDepthMain.aspx?InDepthId=58&ReportId=72471>

*A brief explanation on the ideology of the LRA*

### **Uganda Diaries (2008)**

<http://www.irinnews.org/HOVReport.aspx?ReportId=73608>

*Stories of ordinary people who survived LRA violence in northern Uganda and its impact on their lives*

## NEWSWEEK

### **Hard Target: The Hunt for Africa's Last Warlord**

<http://www.newsweek.com/id/197885>

*An in-depth look at the U.S. role in the recent, failed Operation Lightning Thunder against Joseph Kony's LRA that emphasizes why the LRA threat still looms large in central Africa.*

## THE NEW YORK TIMES

### **Armed With Little but Resolve, and Defending a Hollowed Village (2009)**

<http://www.nytimes.com/2009/02/19/world/africa/19congo.html>

*An article on the efforts of communities in northeastern Congo to defend their villages from LRA attacks*

### **Rebels Kill at Least 620 in Congo, Groups Say (2009)**

<http://www.nytimes.com/2009/01/19/world/africa/19congo.html>

*An article chronicling the aftermath of the Christmas Massacres in northeastern Congo*

### **U.S. Aided a Failed Plan to Rout Ugandan Rebels (2009)**

<http://www.nytimes.com/2009/02/07/world/africa/07congo.html>

*An article on the U.S. government's role in carrying out Operation Lightning Thunder, quotes Enough's LRA researcher Julia Spiegel*

## THE WASHINGTON POST

### **A Child's Hell in the Lord's Resistance Army (2006)**

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2006/05/09/AR2006050901907.html>

*An article on Grace Akallo, a former LRA child soldier, and her visit to lobby Congress to end the war in northern Uganda*

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## Research and Advocacy Organizations

## AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

### **Human Rights in the Republic of Uganda**

<http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/uganda>

*Amnesty International's Uganda section featuring reports and publications*

### **Left to their own devices: The continued suffering of victims of the conflict in Northern Uganda and the need for reparations (2008)**

<http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/info/AFR59/009/2008/en>

*A report that advocates for reparations that focus on addressing the suffering of the survivors of LRA violence and help them rebuild their lives*

## COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

### **In Uganda, Peace Versus Justice (2006)**

[http://www.cfr.org/publication/12049/in\\_uganda\\_peace\\_versus\\_justice.html?breadcrumb=%2Fregion%2F201%2Fuganda](http://www.cfr.org/publication/12049/in_uganda_peace_versus_justice.html?breadcrumb=%2Fregion%2F201%2Fuganda)

*An analysis on the ICC and whether its indictments of LRA commanders has helped or hindered peacebuilding*

### **Uganda's Presidential Elections (2006)**

[http://www.cfr.org/publication/9917/ugandas\\_presidential\\_elections.html?breadcrumb=%2Fregion%2F201%2Fuganda](http://www.cfr.org/publication/9917/ugandas_presidential_elections.html?breadcrumb=%2Fregion%2F201%2Fuganda)

*An explanation of Museveni's hold on power leading up to the 2006 elections*

## FREEDOM HOUSE

### **Map of Freedom (2008)**

<http://www.freedomhouse.org/template.cfm?page=22&year=2008&country=7511>

*How free is Uganda? Freedom House's assessment*

## GENOCIDE INTERVENTION NETWORK

### **ALERT: Lord's Resistance Army is largest, fastest killer in DRC (2009)**

[http://www.genocideintervention.net/files/u1/LRA\\_alert\\_public\\_Jan29.pdf](http://www.genocideintervention.net/files/u1/LRA_alert_public_Jan29.pdf)

*An analysis of the recent LRA attacks in northeastern Congo since December 2008*

## HUMAN RIGHTS WATCH

### **Open Secret: Illegal Detention and Torture by the Joint Anti-terrorism Task Force in Uganda (2009)**

<http://www.hrw.org/node/82082>

*A report on the Ugandan government's ongoing, abusive, and illegal detention policies toward alleged rebels and terrorists in Uganda. HRW indicates that now that the LRA have shifted their base of operations out of northern Uganda and the region is slowly returning to a state of relative peace, the Ugandan government itself is the most egregious abuser of human rights in the country.*

### **The Christmas Massacres (2009)**

<http://www.hrw.org/en/reports/2009/02/16/christmas-massacres-0>

*A report on the recent LRA attacks in northern Congo*

## INTERNATIONAL CRISIS GROUP

### **Northern Uganda: The Road to Peace, with or without Kony (2008)**

<http://www.crisisgroup.org/home/index.cfm?id=5804&l=1>

*A report advocating for a joint stakeholders meeting to bring a peaceful resolution to ending the LRA violence*

### **Northern Uganda Peace Process: The Need to Maintain Momentum (2007)**

<http://www.crisisgroup.org/home/index.cfm?id=5078&l=1>

*A briefing released during the Juba peace talks*

## INVISIBLE CHILDREN

### **Get Involved: Ideas on what you can do to help**

[http://www.invisiblechildren.com/theMovement/Get\\_Involved](http://www.invisiblechildren.com/theMovement/Get_Involved)

*Steps activists can take to raise the profile of the conflict*

## THE JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION PROJECT

### **Kill Every Living Thing: The Barlonyo Massacre (2009)**

<http://justiceandreconciliation.com/>

*New report on the 2004 Barlonyo massacre in northern Uganda and the survivors' struggles for justice.*

### **Publications**

<http://justiceandreconciliation.com/#/publications/4516360892>

*A collection of recent reports on subjects such as reintegration and traditional justice mechanisms*

## RESOLVE UGANDA

### **Bibliography and Additional Resources**

<http://www.resolveuganda.org/get-informed/maps-multimedia-resources>

*RU's exhaustive resource list*

### **The Situation**

<http://www.resolveuganda.org/situation>

*A history of the conflict in northern Uganda*

### **Weekly Roundup Sign-Up**

<http://www.democracyinaction.org/dia/organizations/resolveuganda/signUp.jsp?key=2460&t=resolve.dwt>

*Sign up to receive this informative weekly email on the current situation*

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## Books

### **Akallo, Grace and Faith J. H. McDonnell. Girl Soldier: A Story of Hope for Northern Uganda's Children (2007)**

*A compelling true story of a woman's experience as an LRA child soldier*

### **Allen, Tim. Trial Justice: The International Criminal Court and the Lord's Resistance Army (2006)**

*A field analysis that follows the International Criminal Court's historic issuance of arrest warrants for LRA leadership, the first such action by the Court*

### **Eichsraedt, Peter. First Kill Your Family: Child Soldiers of Uganda and the Lord's Resistance Army (2009)**

*An analysis of the history of LRA violence in northern Uganda*

### **Finnstrom, Sverker. Living with Bad Surroundings: War, History, and Everyday Moments in Northern Uganda (2008)**

*Narratives of individual Acholi people from northern Uganda on how they survived the war and seek "good surroundings" to build viable futures*

### **Green, Matthew. The Wizard of the Nile: The Hunt for Africa's Most Wanted (2008)**

*An analysis of Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army*

### **de Temmerman, Els. Aboke Girls: Children Abducted in Northern Uganda (2001)**

*A popular account of the Aboke abductions*

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## Films and Multimedia

### **Law and Order: Special Victim's Unit, "Hell" (Season 10, Episode aired on 30 March 2009)**

[http://www.nbc.com/Law\\_and\\_Order\\_Special\\_Victims\\_Unit/video/clips/hell-33009/1079402/](http://www.nbc.com/Law_and_Order_Special_Victims_Unit/video/clips/hell-33009/1079402/)

*Enough collaborated with NBC on this episode by advising on facts for the LRA backstory. For more information, also check out our LRA Special Page created as a resource for this event at [www.enough-project.org/special-topics/in-depth-look-LRA](http://www.enough-project.org/special-topics/in-depth-look-LRA).*

### **In pictures: Night commuters (2005)**

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/shared/spl/hi/picture\\_gallery/05/africa\\_night\\_commuters/html/9.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/shared/spl/hi/picture_gallery/05/africa_night_commuters/html/9.stm)

*A photo slideshow of night commuting in northern Uganda, a practice that ceased in 2006 after a ceasefire was reached*

### **Invisible Children: Rough Cut (2003)**

<http://www.invisiblechildren.com/movie>

*Invisible Children's first documentary chronicling night commuting in northern Uganda*

### **Lord's Resistance Army: the psychology behind the atrocities (2009)**

<http://www.ligi.ubc.ca/main.jsp?page=243>

*An interview with Erin Baines from the Liu Institute for Global Studies speaking on CBC radio's "As It Happens" program*

### **The Reckoning (2009)**

<http://thereckoningfilm.com/>

*A documentary on the struggle of the International Criminal Court to forge an international paradigm for justice*

### **Uganda Rising (2006)**

<http://www.ugandarising.com/home.html>

*A 2006 documentary on the dynamics of the conflict in northern Uganda*

### **War Dance (2007)**

<http://www.wardancethemovie.com/>

*Award-winning documentary about the power of music and dance in northern Uganda*

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## Reports, Analyses, and Blogs

### **A country adrift, a president amiss (2009)**

[http://www.economist.com/world/mideast-africa/displayStory.cfm?story\\_id=13110786](http://www.economist.com/world/mideast-africa/displayStory.cfm?story_id=13110786)

*A critical reflection on Museveni's presidency featured in the Economist*

### **Abducted: The Lord's Resistance Army and Forced Conscription in Northern Uganda (2007)**

<http://hrc.berkeley.edu/pdfs/NUgandaReport2007.pdf>

*A report by the Berkeley-Tulane Initiative on Vulnerable Populations*

**Africa's Messiah of Horror (2008)**

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2008/06/05/AR2008060503430.html>

*An opinion editorial by Washington Post columnist Michael Gerson*

**Beyond Juba**

<http://www.beyondjuba.org/index.php>

*A joint initiative of the Refugee Law Project, the Human Rights and Peace Network (HURIPEC), and the Makerere University Faculty of Law, that builds on work to address peace and conflict related issues in Uganda.*

**Bishop Ochola**

[http://bishpochola.typepad.com/bishop\\_ochola/2006/06/introduction.html](http://bishpochola.typepad.com/bishop_ochola/2006/06/introduction.html)

*Excerpts from an upcoming autobiography by an influential Acholi peacemaker in northern Uganda*

**End this African Horror Story (2005)**

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A32735-2005Apr6.html>

*A Washington Post editorial by Enough's John Prendergast published during the first peace negotiations between the Ugandan government and the LRA*

**"From the Field: Northern Uganda 101" by Jon Marino (2009)**

[http://humanitarianrelief.change.org/blog/view/from\\_the\\_field\\_northern\\_uganda\\_101](http://humanitarianrelief.change.org/blog/view/from_the_field_northern_uganda_101)

[Posted on change.org's Humanitarian Relief blog]

*Uganda-based Fulbright scholar Jon Marino's resource suggestions*

**No quick fix for the LRA (2009)**

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/katine/katine-chronicles-blog/2009/apr/16/katine-joseph-kony-lra>

*An op-ed featured in the Guardian on the "tailored package" that must be utilized to apprehend Kony*

**On the nature and causes of LRA abduction: What the abductees say (2008)**

<http://www.chrisblattman.org/BlattmanAnnan.LRA.pdf>

*Draft paper by Chris Blattman and Jeannie Annan*

**Peter Eichstaedt's blog**

<http://petereichstaedt.blogspot.com/>

*A blog by the Institute for War and Peace Reporting's Africa Editor*

**Refugee Law Project**

<http://www.refugeelawproject.org/index.php>

*An organization that provides legal aid and analysis on issues relevant to human rights abuses and displaced persons in Uganda*

**Are we missing out on a great resource that others should know about? If so, please e-mail us at [info@enoughproject.org](mailto:info@enoughproject.org), with any suggestions and we will add them to this list.**

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