

Stop the world's worst violence against women and girls! Mercer Street Records and the Enough Project Present:

# RAISE HOPE FOR CONGO

# Dear Listener:

Our insatiable demand for electronic products is fueling the violence in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the deadliest conflict since World War II and the most dangerous place in the world for women and girls.

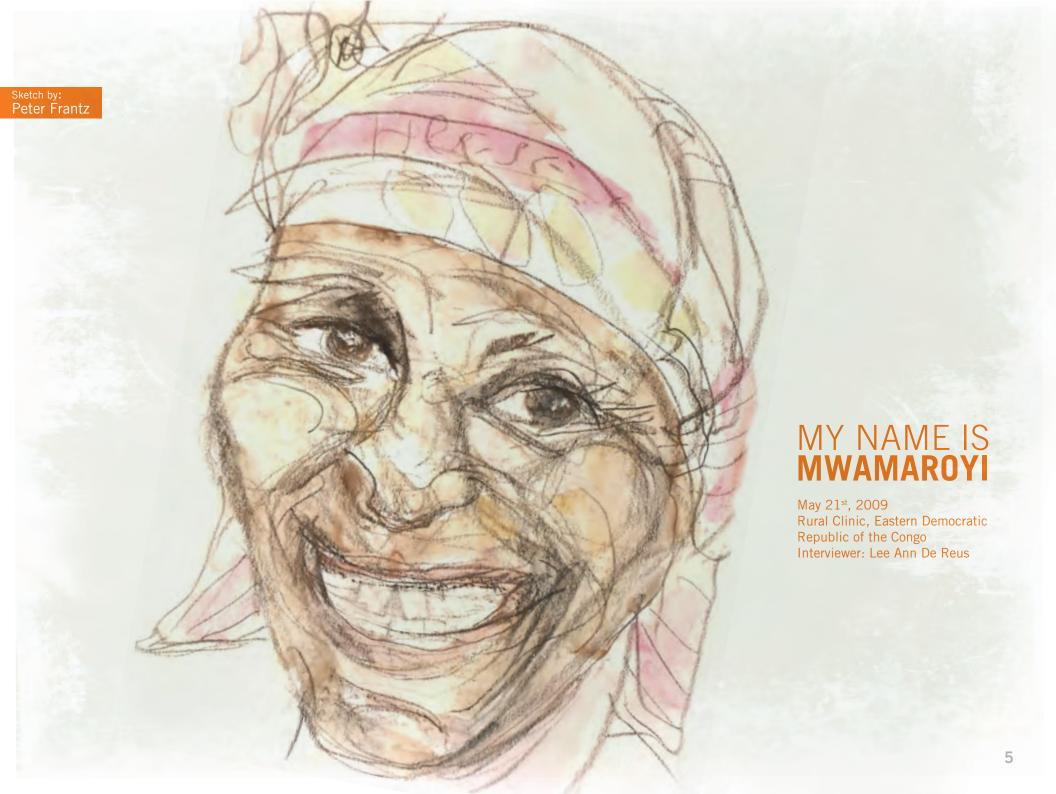
There are few other conflicts in the world where the link between our consumer appetites and mass human suffering is so direct. The armed groups perpetuating the violence generate an estimated \$183 million each year by trading in illicit minerals, which end up in our electronics, from cell phones to laptops.

Since women are the primary targets in this war, proceeds from this compilation will fund efforts to make the protection and empowerment of Congo's women a priority, as well as inspire individuals around the world to raise their voice for peace in Congo.

On behalf of the Enough Project and Mercer Street Records we are proud to bring you RAISE Hope for Congo.

Sincerely,

Nic Harcourt, Curator Shahin Shahida, Executive Producer John Prendergast, Co-founder, the Enough Project



# CONGO IS NOT HOPELESS.

THERE ARE SOLUTIONS. AND WHERE THERE IS HOPE.
THERE CAN BE PEACE.

If I were given the floor to tell other people in the world about myself and the women in Congo, I would tell them that Congolese women are neglected because no one talks about the rape and violence we have suffered through.

In 2004, my youngest child was 4 years old when my country was invaded. I was raped by rebels from one of the militias. There were three men. I was raped until my womb fell out. I suffered so much. I went to a hospital in Katana and they tried to repair and heal me. But I still suffer some pain.

In 2006, I went to visit my friend in a nearby village. While I was traveling there, we were attacked by a rebel group from Rwanda. I was raped again. There were five men, and this time, it was worse. I had surgery again to try to repair the damage. The surgery helped, but sometimes my feet still swell, and I get terrible headaches.

After the first rape, my husband left me. He said I must be contaminated. So he doesn't want to be contaminated by me. He just fled.

The wars have very negatively affected my life. I was living peacefully in my home with my husband and my children and now, because of war, he is gone. I live alone with the children, trying to carry the burden myself, and provide for my children's education, food, and health. So all this I do alone, and I am weaker because of the rapes.

I leave this to God and people of good will. I rely on an organization that sometimes gives me some money to support my children. My children are succeeding. One of them is about to take the national examination. Another has acquired skills in woodwork and completed his studies. Another has studied mechanics, and he is looking for work. We also harvest beans, potatoes, and cassava, and sell them at the market. So we get by. This is how we survive.

I also work to sensitize other survivors of rape. I educate them and tell them they should not feel guilty, that the guilty ones are the men who rape. I tell the survivors it is not their fault. My greatest hope is one day to see women in Congo stand up and cry out about what has happened to us, and to be advocates for our cause. If the women in Congo can stand up and say that we are at peace, it will bring me joy.

If I were given the floor, I would speak up and tell people that rape and violence have had terrible consequences. Please, it is time for the violence to stop.

# CREDITS

## 1. "Lonely Soldier" - Damien Rice

Written by Damien Rice Published by Warner Chappell Music Ltd Produced by Damien Rice Originally Recorded & Mixed by Damien Rice Vocals and Acoustic Guitar by Damien Rice (p) Damien Rice 2009

# 2. "Not Immune" - Imaad Wasif

Written by Imaad Wasif C & P 2009, Dead Set Music (BMI) Vocals and Guitars by Imaad Wasif Pedal Steel by Greg Burns Recorded by Chad Bamford and Mathias Schneeberger Mixed by Chad Bamford Imaad Wasif appears courtesy of Tee Pee Records

# 3. "Angel Mom" - Jesca Hoop

Written by Jesca Hoop Published by Stage Three / Curuja Songs (ASCAP) Produced by Jesca Hoop and Tony Berg Production contributions from Blake Mills Recorded at Zeitgeist Studio Engineered by Shawn Everett Vocals and guitar by Jesca Hoop Guitar and Percussion by Blake Mills Percussion by Stuart Johnson Bass by Joe Karnes Originally Mastered by Hans DeKline at Sound Bites Dog

4. "40" - Meshell Ndegeocello Written by Adam Clayton, David Evans, Paul David Hewson, Laurence Martin Published by Universal Music Publishing International Ltd c/o Universal Polygram International Bass and Vocals by Meshell Ndegeocello Guitar by Oren Bloedow Drums by Deantoni Parks Recorded and Mixed by Zach Hancock at Downtown Music Studios, New York Assistant Engineers: Rob Murray and Nate Khors

5. "Je t'aime" - Staff Benda Bilili Written by Cubain Kabeya Tshimpangila Published by Les Editions de la Bascule/Strictly Confidential Sub-published by Cherry Lane Music Produced & mixed by Vincent Kenis Recorded in Kinshasa (DR Congo) by Vincent Kenis From the album "Très Très Fort!" Licensed from Crammed Discs www.crammed.be www.staffbendabilili.com

Written by Angelique Kidjo, Jean Hebrail Published by AYEILE Inc. (ASCAP) Produced by Tony Visconti

Recorded at Electric Lady, New York Engineered by Tony Visconti Assistant Engineer: Mario McNulty Mixed by Tony Visconti at Looking Glass Studios, New York Assistant Mix Engineer: Mario McNulty Guitar by Joao Mota Bass by Habib Faye Drums by Poogie Bell Guitar by Romero Lumbambo Keyboard by Amp Fiddler Angelique Kidjo appears courtesy of Razor and Tie

# 7. "Na Miso" - Chantal Kreviazuk and Bibiane Mpoyo Written by Chantal Kreviazuk and Bibiane Mpoyo

Published by Neverwouldathot Music/Sony/ATV Music Publishing Canada [SOCAN]/Bibiane Mpoyo Music (ASCAP)

Produced by Raine Maida Engineered by Raine Maida

Assistant Engineer: Dusty Schaller
Mixed by Raine Maida and Andrew Scheps

Piano, Vocals, Keyboards, and Synth Bass by Chantal Kreviazuk

Additional Vocals on "NaMiso" by Bibiane Mpoyo

String Arrangements by Kevin Fox (Strings recorded at Canterbury Studio, Toronto Canada) Engineered by Samuel Ibbett

Strings by: Lenny Solomon - Violin 1 Sandy Baron - Violin 2

Eric Paetkau - Viola

Kevin Fox - Cello

Programming by Raine Maida

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8. "World Of Trouble" - Norah Jones Written by Jesse Harris (Beanly Songs (BMI)/Sony/ATV Tunes LLC)

Produced by Jesse Harris

Recorded and Mixed by Tom Schick at Stratosphere, NYC

Vocal and Piano by Norah Jones

Electric Guitar and Background Vocal by Tony Scherr

Organ by Jon Dryden

Upright Bass by Greg Cohen

Drums by Kenny Wollesen

# 9. My Name Is Mwamaroyi\*

As told to interviewer Lee Ann De Reus on May 21, 2009 at a rural clinic in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo

Translation read by Sheryl Crow

\*Pseudonym used to protect identity

# 10. "Don't Let Me Down" - Amel Larrieux Written by Amel Larrieux & Laru Larrieux

Published by Kappika Tunes/BMI & Topanga Twins Music/ASCAP

Produced by Laru Larrieux & Amel Larrieux

Recorded at Blisslife Studios & Air Labs Studios

Engineered by Laru Larrieux & Young Michael K.Success

Mixed by: Young Michael K.Success & Laru Larrieux Mixed at: Air Labs Studios & Blisslife Studios Keys by Amel Larrieux and Sky Larrieux Amel Larrieux appears courtesy of Blisslife Records

11. "Raise Hope" - Omékongo Dibinga & Shahin Shahida Written by Omékongo Dibinga and Shahin Shahida

Published by Free Your Mind Publishing (BMI) and Shahin Music (BMI)

Poem composed by Omékongo Dibinga Music composed, performed, and produced by Shahin Shahida

Recorded at SOS productions studio, Huntly, VA

# 12. "Tambara" - Amadou & Mariam

Written by Mariam Doumbia

Published by Reva Sons / Sony ATV Music Publishing

Drums by Yvo Abadi

Percussions and Djembe by Boubacar Dembele

Finger snap by Yvo Abadi & Antoine Halet

Bass by Laurent Griffon

Keyboards by Igor Nikitinski

Oud by Mehdi Haddab

Guitars by Amadou Bagayoko

Indian guest vocal (Alaap) by Smriti Minocha Lead vocals by Mariam Doumbia and Amadou Bagayoko

Recorded and Mixed by Laurent Jaïs

Assisted by Antoine Halet
Programming by Laurent Jaïs and Marc Antoine Moreau

Recorded at La Partie Son (Davout), Paris

Additional recording in India recorded by Gaurav Chintamani at Quarter Note Studios, New Delhi

Executive production in India by Suchet Malhotra

Mixed at La Partie Son (Davout), Paris

Produced by Marc Antoine Moreau Originally Mastered by Tony Cousins at Metropolis Studios London

# 13. "Never Again" - Ozomatli and The Agahoza Shalom Youth Village

Written by Lilian Umuhoza and Pascasie Nyirantwari

Music arranged by Asdru Sierra

Produced by Ozomatli and Agahozo-Shalom Youth Village

Recorded at Agahozo-Shalom Youth Village, Rwanda

Additional Recording by Asdru Sierra at ALEELA Studios, North Hollywood, CA

Mixed by Asdru Sierra at ALEELA Studios, North Hollywood, CA

Additional production, programming, and arranging by Asdru Sierra Vocals by The Agahoza Shalom Youth Village

Keyboard and Trumpet by Asdru Sierra

Drum programming by Justin "El Niño" Porée

http://agahozo-shalom.org/

Special thanks to Tamar Copeland and Zhanna Veyts

14. "Sleep Alone" - Bat For Lashes
"Sleep Alone" was recorded and broadcast live in Los Angeles
on KCRW.COM and 89.9 KCRW's Morning Becomes Eclectic with Jason Bentley on June 15, 2009. The session/track was engineered and mixed by Mario Diaz with the assistance of David Dix. Morning Becomes Eclectic is produced by Ariana Morgenstern

# 15. "Before You Were Young (Live From Joe's Pub in New York City)" - Travis

Written by Fran Healy

Published by Sony ATV Publishing

Recorded at Joe's Pub New York City

Engineered by Giles Woodhead

Mixed by Fran Healy

Mixed at Home

Electric Guitar by Andy Dunlop

Acoustic Guitar and Vocal by Fran Healy

# 16. "Hora Zero Live @ Wechter '09" - Rodrigo y Gabriela

Written by Rodrigo y Gabriela

Published by Evolving music Company Produced by Rodrigo Sanchez Recorded at Wechter Festival '09

Engineered by David Marchant

Mixed by: David Marchant Guitars by Rodrigo y Gabriela

# 17. "Nsimba & Nzuzi" - Konono N°1

Written by Mawangu Mingiedi

Published by Les Editions de la Bascule/Strictly Confidential

Sub-published by Cherry Lane Music

Produced and Mixed by Vincent Kenis

Recorded by Vincent Kenis at the Couleur Café festival in Brussels

From the album "Live At Couleur Café"

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18. Priority (A Cappella) - Mos Def
Written by Dante Smith, Jean Daval, Bobby Hebb, Sandy Brown
Published by Medina Sounds Music (BMI), Preserved Productions LLC/Downtown Music Publishing/DLJ Songs

(SESAC), Bersofsky/Hebb Unlimited, LLC

Produced by Preservation for Preserved Productions LLC

Recorded by Jan "OdubD" Fairchild at the Record Plant, LA

Additional vocals recorded by Josh Blair at Sphere

Studios, London

Mixed by Jan "OdubD" Fairchild at the Groove Machine, LA

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