

The following background resources provide overview and in-depth analysis of the conflict in eastern Congo and the link between conflict minerals and the ongoing violence.



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Enough Project Reports & Field Dispatches

[Field Dispatch: Behind the Ban - An Update from Eastern Congo](#)

The Enough Project, October 22, 2010

<http://www.enoughproject.org/publications/field-dispatch-behind-ban-update-congo>

Congolese President Joseph Kabila's sudden ban on mineral exports from three eastern provinces has left many observers in the region questioning the effectiveness of the directive. It has also reportedly made life difficult for experts at Congo's mining ministry in Kinshasa, who have been struggling with how to implement and enforce the ban.

[Congo's Enough Moment: The Case for Conflict Minerals Certification and Army Reform](#)

The Enough Project, October 19, 2010

<http://www.enoughproject.org/publications/congos-enough-moment>

Enough Project Co-founder John Prendergast argues that growing international attention to Congo and widespread interest in conflict minerals has shined a spotlight on eastern Congo, opening a significant window for policy reform.

[FAQ's About Conflict Minerals Regulations](#)

Enough Said, August 19, 2010

<http://www.raisehopeforcongo.org/news/faqs-about-conflict-minerals-regulations>

The recent passage of provisions on conflict minerals from eastern Congo in the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Act raises important questions about how it will be implemented, its potential unintended consequences, its linkages with other initiatives to curb resource-fueled conflict, and how it fits with wider peace-building efforts in the Congo.

[Field Dispatch: Conflict Minerals Windfall for Armed Forces in Eastern Congo](#)

The Enough Project and Fidel Bafilemba, August 4, 2010

<http://www.enoughproject.org/publications/conflict-minerals-windfall-armed-forces-eastern-congo>

Whether within rebel groups and militias or the Congolese national army, senior commanders continue to benefit from Congo's lucrative mineral trade.

[Digging in: Recent Developments on Conflict Minerals](#)

The Enough Project, January 5, 2010

<http://www.enoughproject.org/publications/digging-in-conflict-minerals>

Congo's mineral wealth continues to play a central role in the country's conflict dynamics. Despite the upsurge in displacement and atrocities during 2009, multinational companies continue to purchase minerals from the war zone.

[From Mine to Mobile Phone: The Conflict Minerals Supply Chain](#)

The Enough Project, November 10, 2009

<http://www.enoughproject.org/publications/mine-mobile-phone>

Enough experts lead you down the path of the 3Ts—tin, tantalum, tungsten—and gold from the mines of Eastern Congo all the way to your cell phone.

Other Reports

[No will, No Way: US-funded Security Sector Reform in the Democratic Republic of the Congo](#)
Oxfam America, October 2010

http://www.effectivepeacekeeping.org/sites/effectivepeacekeeping.org/files/10/Oxfam%20America_U.S.%20SSR%20in%20DRC.pdf

[Stronger Women Stronger Nations: Amplifying the Voices of Women in Eastern Congo](#)

Women for Women International, September 2010

<http://www.womenforwomen.org/news-women-for-women/files/dr-congo-report-2010.pdf>

[Always on the Run: The Vicious Cycle of Displacement in Eastern Congo](#)

Human Rights Watch, September 2010

<http://www.hrw.org/en/reports/2010/09/14/always-run-0>

[Do No Harm: A Guide for Companies Sourcing from the DRC](#)

Global Witness, August 2010

http://www.globalwitness.org/media_library_get.php/1406/1285687832/do_no_harm_global_witness.pdf

[Mortality in the Democratic Republic of Congo: An Ongoing Crisis](#)

International Rescue Committee, 2007

http://www.theirc.org/sites/default/files/migrated/resources/2007/2006-7_congomortalitysurvey.pdf

Multimedia

[Conflict Minerals: Stories from the Mouth of the Mine](#)

Audio slideshow by Sasha Lezhnev

<http://www.enoughproject.org/multimedia/conflict-minerals-stories-mouth-mine>

In November 2009, Enough Project consultant Sasha Lezhnev traveled to Congo to investigate the conflict minerals supply chain, beginning at the mouth of the mine. This is his story.

["Hello, I'm a Mac...and I've Got a Dirty Secret"](#)

Spoof Video by Actor/activist Brooke Smith and cinematographer Steven Lubensky with The Enough Project

<http://www.raisehopeforcongo.org/news/mac-pc>

Hello, I'm a Mac, and I'm helping fuel war in the Congo -- the deadliest war in the world. So are PCs, cell phones, digital cameras and other consumer electronics, for that matter. That's what Apple's famous "I'm a Mac ... And I'm a PC" ads don't tell you.

[Is There Blood On Your Laptop?](#)

TIME

http://www.time.com/time/video/player/0,32068,594243401001_2013170,00.html

Time.com explores the link between consumer electronics and the ongoing violence in Congo. Consumers can do their part by "letting companies know they don't want to contribute to the atrocities."

[Conflict Minerals 101](#)

The Enough Project

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aF-sJgcoY20&feature=youtube_gdata

Enough's John Prendergast breaks it all down.

Movies & Documentaries

[Congo Gold Episode of '60 Minutes'](#)

60 Minutes/CBS News

<http://www.enoughproject.org/blogs/congo-gold-episode-60-minutes-nominated-emmy>

In consultation with Enough and Human Rights Watch, the “60 Minutes” crew investigated the trail of Congo’s conflict gold from rebel-held mines through Uganda and on to U.S. consumers. Nominated for an Emmy.

[The Greatest Silence: Rape in the Congo](#)

Lisa Jackson, HBO

<http://www.hbo.com/documentaries/the-greatest-silence-rape-in-the-congo/index.html>

Opinion & News

[Conflict minerals close to home](#)

Vanessa Rychlinski, The Michigan Daily, October 14, 2010

<http://www.michigandaily.com/content/vanessa-rychlinski-conflict-minerals-congo>

[Going Conflict-Free](#)

George Hornedo, The Cornell Sun, October 6, 2010

<http://cornellsun.com/section/opinion/content/2010/10/06/going-conflict-free>

[Ashley Judd: Electronics fuel unspeakable violence](#)

John Prendergast and Ashley Judd, CNN.com, September 30, 2010

<http://www.cnn.com/2010/TRAVEL/09/30/ashley.judd.africa/index.html?iref=allsearch>

[Stopping the Flow of Conflict Minerals from Congo to Your Cell Phone](#)

Sasha Lezhnev and John Prendergast, CNN.com, August 3, 2010

<http://www.cnn.com/2010/OPINION/08/03/congo.conflict.minerals/index.html>

[Death By Gadget](#)

Nicholas Kristof, The New York Times, June 26, 2010

http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/27/opinion/27kristof.html?_r=4

[No, Sexual Violence Is Not 'Cultural'](#)

Lisa Shannon, The New York Times, June 25, 2010

http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/26/opinion/26iht-edshannon.html?_r=1

[Your Laptop's Bloody History](#)

Sara Egozi and Liza Starr, Yale Daily News, November 8, 2010

<http://www.yaledailynews.com/news/2010/nov/08/egozi-and-starr-your-laptops-bloody-history/>

[A Light at the End of the Tunnel in Congo](#)

John Prendergast, Foreign Policy.com, February 26, 2010

http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2010/02/26/a_light_at_the_end_of_the_tunnel_in_congo

[The New Blood Diamonds](#)

John Prendergast, The Boston Globe, August 1, 2009

http://www.boston.com/bostonglobe/editorial_opinion/oped/articles/2009/08/01/the_new_blood_diamonds/

Blogs

[What's Next for Congo's Youth?](#)

Chloe Christman, Enough Said, November 11, 2010

<http://www.enoughproject.org/blogs/what-next-congo-youth>

[U.S. Students Launch Efforts to Rid Campuses of Congo Conflict Minerals](#)

Laura Heaton, Enough Said, November 15, 2010

<http://www.raisehopeforcongo.org/node/813>

[Westminster College Paving Way to Be Conflict-Free](#)

Gregory Rockson, Enough Said, October 22, 2010

<http://www.raisehopeforcongo.org/node/789>

[Reflections on a Visit to Eastern Congo](#)

Sadia Hameed, Enough Said, October 21, 2010

<http://www.raisehopeforcongo.org/node/787>

[Building Momentum for a Conflict-Free Campus: Lessons from Stanford](#)

Mia Newman, Enough Said, September 28, 2010

<http://www.enoughproject.org/blogs/building-momentum-conflict-free-campus-lessons-stanford>

[Secretary Clinton and Congo's Enough Moment](#)

John Prendergast, Enough Said, September 23, 2010

<http://www.enoughproject.org/blogs/secretary-clinton-and-congos-enough-moment>

[When Will Enough Be Enough?](#)

Aaron Hall, Enough Said, Aug 25, 2010

<http://www.raisehopeforcongo.org/node/745>

[A Long Path Toward Conflict Minerals Certification](#)

Aaron Hall, Enough Said, August 18, 2010

<http://www.enoughproject.org/blogs/long-path-toward-conflict-minerals-certification>

[Podcast: Improving U.S. Strategy for Africa's Two Biggest Wars](#)

Laura Heaton, links to The Brookings Institution, July 28, 2010

<http://www.raisehopeforcongo.org/node/725>

Books

Africa's World War: Congo, the Rwandan Genocide, and the Making of a Continental Catastrophe

Gerard Prunier

The Enough Moment

John Prendergast with Don Cheadle

King Leopold's Ghost: A Story of Greed, Terror, and Heroism in Colonial Africa

Adam Hochschild

A Thousand Sisters

Lisa Shannon