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The linked press release comes from Oxfam International, which is an NGO that provides humanitarian support to those living in poverty and unstable environments to increase sustainability. Oxfam calls on international leaders and governments to provide protection to civilians in the DRC who are living in severe insecurity as a result of the broken ceasefire. They implore leaders to step up and provide real and effective diplomacy on the ground that will be effective, in addition to negotiations that have been underway.

we hear excuse after excuse from European countries about why they can't help and they pass the buck to another country, another continent. Their inaction has very human consequences, as the thousands that fled Kibati and Kanyabayonga could tell them. 5.4 million people have died over the last 10 years. How many more must suffer before Europe will take effective action? The international community is failing in its **Responsibility to Protect** civilians in eastern Congo, said Juliette Prodhon, head of Oxfam in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

<http://www.oxfamireland.org/news/releases/2008/11-10.shtml>