

Only Ground Troops Will End Ethnic Cleansing in Kosovo

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Dear President Clinton,

Mr. President, bombing alone will not stop Slobodan Milosevic's campaign of murder, rape, plunder and forced deportation. Milosevic must not be allowed to negotiate a "compromise" that rewards his campaign of terror. NATO ground troops combined with air strikes are needed to end the killing of Kosovars, stop the systematic destruction of their homes and towns, prevent the deportation of more refugees, and return peace to southeastern Europe.

Your leadership is crucial for achieving NATO victory. We believe the following goals are essential:

- Saving the lives of the nearly one million Kosovars now facing death from starvation and murder within Kosovo.
- Removal of all Serbian forces from Kosovo.
- Return of all refugees to their homes to begin the rebuilding process.
- Establishment of a NATO-safeguarded international protectorate for Kosovo.
- Indictment of Milosevic and all other Serbian officials responsible for war crimes in Kosovo.

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