Authoritative Aid:
The Manipulation of Humanitarian Aid by the United States in South Sudan

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Question: What obstacles prevent aid from reaching those who need it most and why is the system designed this way?
Neocolonialism

➢ US Peacekeeping aid in South Sudan is a distinct example of how Western culture dominates the rest of the world under the guise of philanthropy.
Motivation and Methods: We are part of a rapidly evolving global community

➢ Literature Review of South Sudan: history and independence; cultural experience; development policy; and media representation of international interventions

➢ Interviews: Project Manager and Consultant for the United States Institute of Peace in South Sudan

➢ US Government data on budgeting and aid
US geopolitical strategy

➢ Food Aid

➢ Black market currency exchange for monetary aid

➢ Conditionality
How do we do better?

➢ Eliminate the othering of the communities and peoples in need.

➢ Build decision-making from the ground up!

➢ Using education as activism