Subject: Re: Hurricane Katrina Aftermath

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Initially, the United States had been reluctant to accept donations and aid from foreign countries, particularly from those countries much poorer than itself. However, this policy was reversed, and as the reports of damage grew more grim, the United States is now on the receiving end of foreign aid. Currently, countries offering to send aid include Australia, Canada, China, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, France, Germany, Greece, Honduras, Hungary, Israel, Jamaica, Japan, Mexico, the Netherlands, other members in NATO, Norway, the OAS, Russia, Singapore, South Korea, Switzerland, the UAE, the United Kingdom, and Venezuela. Sweden has also been reported to offer help, and is awaiting a reply to which forms of requested help there is from their Washington embassy.

As of September 2, the Canadian Heavy Urban Search and Rescue team is operating in the Louisiana area, co-ordinating search and rescue efforts with the state police and the National Guard [40]. Three Singaporean CH-47 Chinook helicopters and thirty-eight RSAF personnel from a training detachment based in Grand Prairie, Texas are also assisting in relief operations, operating out of Fort Polk in cooperation with the Texas Army National Guard [41].

Just suck it up and admit it, you need it, no shame in needing help for once. Oh and no one responded with offers to help? Heh, I think Wikipedia, and if you need a dozen other sources including Fox, would like to disagree. Even if you don't need the help with rescuing people or delivering food and all such, the flooding in New Orleans and other things will make the cost of rebuilding and such ... well monumental if I know anything. And mind you that you've still got troops in Iraq and such, so the budget for rebuilding and relief and so on will become strained.

Well that's what I think at least, and I mean looking at footage and reading damage reports, it looks grim.

Personally I think politics should be totally forgotten at times like this, I mean political wrangling Internationally and especially nationally (CNN anyone? Every cheap shot possible was taken... still being taken, I mean for fucks sake even Clinton told CNN to pretty much 'STFU') where all it does is delay things.