Online supplement



Fig. DS1 Drawing by 13-year-old boy depicting 'long sleeve' amputation by rebels, October 1999.

Table DS1 Exposure to war violence among Sierra Leonean children (n=311)	
Type of exposure	%
Loss	
Family member died from the fighting	80.3
Mother died	23.5
Father died	32.3
Brother(s)/Sister(s) died	20.6
Grandparent(s) died	16.8
Other relative(s) died	28.9
Threat	
Ever threatened to be killed	63.2
Believed that you would die from the fighting	91.1
Had to hide to protect yourself during the fighting	99.4
War events	
Witnessed any violence during recent fighting	99.8
Saw a family member being killed	54.2
Saw someone being injured/killed by guns	89.2
Saw someone being injured/killed with machetes	74.5
Saw someone being burned to death	68.1
Saw someone being raped/sexually assaulted	58.3
Saw dead bodies or body parts	95.5
Saw someone being tortured	66.8
Saw houses being burned/destroyed	98.7
Heard someone being injured/killed	99.7
Heard people screaming for help	89.8
Heard a family member being threatened	85.2
Heard gunfire, bombing or shelling	99.4
Forced to participate in the fighting	39.4
Forced to leave your village or home	93.0
Believed that you would die from hunger	87.0
Physically injured during the fighting	34.9
Injured by sticks, knives, broken bottles, or stones	77.2
Had to hide to protect yourself during the war	99.6
Had to hide to protect yourself for a few hours	6.1
Hid to protect yourself for 1–6 days	43.9
Hid to protect yourself for 1–4 weeks	38.5
Hid to protect yourself for 4 weeks or longer	11.5
Rebels entered your house by force	91.7
Separated from your family during the fighting	59.7
Any family members abducted	63.4