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Letter dated 31 March 2008 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Further to my successive letters to the Security Council regarding Chad's violations of the Dakar agreement between Chad and the Sudan, the most recent of which was dated 27 March 2008, I am now writing once again to draw the attention of the Security Council to a new fundamental shift in the nature of Chad's conspiratorial schemes, which is aimed at carrying out subversive military operations deep inside Sudanese territory. The relevant Sudanese services have observed that President Idriss Déby is personally supervising direct coordination with the Justice and Equality Movement in order to attack Dongola and other cities in the northern province, by mobilizing forces inside Chadian territory and over the border towards the Sudanese town of Milliet in the north-west of Darfur and towards Dongola. The Justice and Equality Movement has to that end received from the Government of Chad 156 Land Cruiser vehicles, together with considerable military support such as ammunition and heavy weapons, including air defence missiles. It has been decided that these plans will include attacks on a number of towns and sites in West Darfur, such as the area of Jirjir.

In the same context, we have received reliable and substantiated information according to which elements of the Chadian army, supported by Chadian police, are to take part in this operation. Moreover, the task of mobilizing and gathering forces to take part in the operation has in fact been carried out by General Abdul-Rahim Bahr, the commander-in-chief of the Chadian army, and General Abkar Krinkawi, chief of Chad's national police force. Both have mustered individuals and given them financial inducements to join the forces of the Justice and Equality Movement in order to perpetrate this evil plan, which is being prepared under the close eye and direct supervision of the President of Chad, Mr. Idriss Déby.

I should like to inform you, and through you the members of the Security Council, of this serious turn in the destructive schemes and acts of aggression repeatedly engaged in by our neighbour Chad. I need hardly remind the Security Council that this development undermines all of the agreements signed between our two countries, in addition to constituting a serious threat to security and stability and an obstacle to efforts towards a political solution to the Darfur issue.

Finally, I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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