Letter dated 21 March 2008 from the Permanent Representative of Chad to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

On the instructions of my Government, I am duty bound to inform you by the present letter that the authorities of my country categorically deny the information contained in the letter dated 19 March 2008 which was sent to you by the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations. The Chadian authorities also regret such premeditated disinformation which is intended to undermine the implementation of the agreement recently signed in Dakar and to serve as a pretext for the Sudanese Government to make an immediate start on yet another aggression against Chad.

According to information received by the authorities of my country, intensive preparations are currently being made to revitalize heavily rearmed groups supported by the Janjaweed to engage once more in acts to destabilize and overthrow the legitimate authorities of Chad, acts of which Chad has already complained on many recent occasions. Any attempt today to convince international opinion that Chad is violating the agreements and committing aggression against the Sudan is nothing more than deceitful. That is far from being the case: Chad is displaying goodwill and a sincere desire for the effective implementation of the agreements signed, including the Dakar agreement, in order to bring about real peace between the two neighbouring and fraternal countries.

Lastly, while recalling its respective letters of December 2007 and January 2008 concerning the unfortunate and troubling setbacks experienced by my country since December 2005, my Government wishes formally to deny all the Sudanese accusations and to reconfirm its respect for all the commitments entered into to restore peace and security between our two fraternal countries, and in the interest of the subregion.

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

(Signed) Mahamat Ali Adoum
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