Letter dated 15 May 2012 from the Chargé d’affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter from Mr. Rahamtalla Mohamed Osman, Undersecretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, regarding the so-called new map of the Republic of South Sudan, which was endorsed by the Council of Ministers of the Republic of South Sudan on 11 May 2012 (see annex). The letter is self-explanatory.

I would be grateful if the present letter and its annex were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Idris Ismail Faragalla Hassan
Chargé d’affaires a.i.
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1. I should like to bring to your attention the fact that on Friday, 11 May 2012, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of South Sudan endorsed a new map of that country in which all the disputed areas are included as part of South Sudan. It even included such parts of the Republic of the Sudan as Heglig, over which there was originally no dispute. We therefore stress to the esteemed Council that this measure constitutes a blatant violation of Security Council resolution 2046 (2012) and of all the agreements that have been concluded between the Republic of the Sudan and the Republic of South Sudan, which specified that only four areas were disputed.

2. In placing before the Council this dangerous development and shameless attack on the territory and sovereignty of the Sudan, we emphasize that this step clearly proves the aggressive intentions of the Republic of South Sudan and its lack of commitment to ending its continual assaults on Sudanese territory. The Republic of South Sudan took this measure a mere nine days after the adoption of resolution 2046 (2012). We therefore request the Security Council to employ the necessary measures with regard to the Republic of South Sudan, including measures related to the violation of the aforementioned resolution.

(Signed) Rahamtalla Mohamed Osman
Undersecretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs