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Poland .......................................................... Ms. Wronecka
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Agenda

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

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The meeting was called to order at 3:25 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

The President: At this meeting, the Security Council will hear a briefing by Ambassador Joanna Wronecka, Permanent Representative of Poland, in her capacity as Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) concerning the Sudan.

I now give the floor to Ambassador Wronecka.

Ms. Wronecka (Poland): In accordance with paragraph 3 (a) (iv) of resolution 1591 (2005), I have the honour to brief the Security Council on the work of the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005), concerning the Sudan, covering the period from 22 June to 27 September 2019.

During that period, the Committee met in informal consultations on 16 August to hear the Panel of Experts on the Sudan present its interim report. The Panel informed the Committee that, during the reporting period from 13 March to 3 August, while there was no large-scale outbreak of violence in Darfur, the security situation there was characterized by localized security incidents, including intercommunal skirmishes, militia attacks on civilians, tensions in major internally displaced persons (IDPs) camps and clashes in Jebel Marra between the security forces, allied militias and the Sudan Liberation Army/Abdul Wahid faction (SLA/AW), as well as within the SLA/AW itself, in addition to attacks on the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur and humanitarian agencies.

The Panel also documented violations of international humanitarian law, human rights abuses, rape and sexual violence against communities in Darfur, including IDPs. The lack of fully functioning civilian institutions, such as police forces and courts, contributed to impunity for human rights violations.

The Darfuri armed groups operating in Libya have engaged in military operations alongside their Libyan partners. In the light of developments in Khartoum, those groups are cautiously weighing their options regarding their return to Darfur. The presence of Darfuri armed groups in South Sudan was residual, since the South Sudanese authorities no longer provide them with any meaningful support.

The Panel provided a brief update on the situation in Darfur in its second quarterly report, which the Committee received on 24 September.

Finally, I would like to update the Council about my intention to visit the Sudan. I am liaising with the Permanent Mission of the Sudan regarding the dates for the potential visit.

The President: I thank Ambassador Wronecka for her briefing.

There are no more names inscribed on the list of speakers.

The meeting rose at 3:30 p.m.