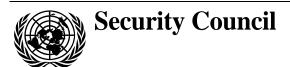
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Letter dated 16 July 2009 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Further to our previous letters regarding the repeated aggressions by Chad inside the borders of the Sudan, thereby taking advantage of the wisdom and self-restraint of the Government of the Sudan, I should once again like to inform you, and, through you, the members of the Security Council, that on Thursday, 16 July 2009, at 8 a.m., two Chadian Sukhoi fighter jets bombarded the Um Dukhun area, which is within the borders of the Sudan. A Chadian helicopter also bombarded that city at 11 a.m. on the aforementioned date, dropping two bombs that fell some 500 metres from the market.

While the Government of the Sudan is drawing the Council's attention to this heinous aggression, it reserves its unrestricted and legitimate right to respond decisively to this attack and to previous aggressions and violations in order to put an end to such reckless undertakings, to which the Government of Chad has resorted repeatedly in an attempt to deflect attention from its protracted and complicated internal problems.

In conclusion, I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Hassan Hamid **Hassan** Chargé d'affaires a.i.



