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**QUESTION OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL  
FREEDOMS IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD**

**Situation of human rights in the Sudan**

**Note by the secretariat**

1. The secretariat has the honour to inform the Commission on Human Rights that, following the resignation in October 2000 of Mr. Leonardo Franco, Mr. Gerhart Baum (Germany) was appointed Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Sudan on 28 December 2000.
2. In view of his late appointment and the scheduling of his first mission to the Sudan, tentatively planned for the month of March 2001, the Special Rapporteur will not be in a position to make a full report to the Commission at this stage. Upon satisfactory completion of his mission he plans to make an oral presentation to the Commission.

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