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political, economic, social and cultural rights,
including the right to development**

Written statement* submitted by the Al Zubair Charitable Foundation, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status

The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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* This written statement is issued, unedited, in the language received from the submitting non-governmental organizations.

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We here a group of Human rights based national NGOs, having monitoring the human rights situation in Sudan at large and in armed conflict area particularly Nuba Mountains and the Blue Nile regions hereby declare:

- Reference to the NGO Forum preceding in the 51st Ordinary Session of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and the 25th African human Rights Book fair held from 14th-16 April, 2012 in Banjul, The Gambia.
- Recalling UN general Assembly resolution No.45/183 on the facilitation of the humanitarian assistance, Security Council Resolution 2946 article 4 concerning tripartite proposal submitted by African Union, League of Arabs and UN initiate an impeded access of humanitarian assistance to the affected population in the Nuba Mountains and the Blue Nile states.
- We are highly appreciating the Government of Sudan position on accepting; approving the initiative to conduct flow of humanitarian assistance to the war affected population in the two areas.
- Recall the OLS experience, applying foot neutrality principle we strongly request from the forum to applaud this position of government; feeding the families of its armed opposition rebels who are their declared ad most goal hitherto is to topple it and bring a change.
- Recalling, Security Council Resolutions 1422, 1487, 2004-1497, 1502, 1593, concerning child protection and armed conflict, protection of civilian during the armed conflict. We strongly urge the international community to abide by its obligation under the said resolutions and safeguard the basic rights of the people who caught in war fire.
- We fully support the on going negotiation between Sudan government and the government of south Sudan to iron off their difference concerning the pertaining issues of CPA; for the welfare of their respective citizens, since the prevalent situation is likely state of war rather than peace.
- We appeal for the governments of the two states (Sudan &South Sudan) not to compromise the dignity and the pride of their respective population against any political capitalization that they might gain hitherto, they must give serious concession to each other to brew peace and political instability to their two countries.
- Sudan had been laboring under various sanctions from different governments and non-state actors, alluding that it is going change the existing regime but unfortunately it is only impacting seriously the people of Sudan, women, children elders for the welfare of whom we are gathering today there in this hall, so we the voice of voiceless people of Sudan, strongly call for them to revisit their position also for the welfare of the people of Sudan.

** Small Scale Enterprise Society, an NGO without consultative status, also shares the views expressed in this statement.