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## Letter dated 29 April 2025 from the Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I write with reference to the final report of the Panel of Experts on the Sudan, dated 17 April 2025 ([S/2025/239](#)). It is regrettable that, over the last year, the Sudanese representative to the United Nations, acting on the directives of the Sudanese Armed Forces, one of the warring parties in Sudan's civil war, has insisted on misusing international forums to spread misinformation against the United Arab Emirates. As part of this disinformation campaign, he has also misrepresented the reports and findings of the Panel of Experts by:

(a) Publicizing confidential reporting to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution [1591 \(2005\)](#) concerning the Sudan, thus undermining the processes and integrity of sanctions monitoring mechanisms, as well as of the Security Council;

(b) Selectively disseminating extracts that are taken out of context to misleadingly advance the narrative of the Sudanese Armed Forces and intentionally omitting elements or findings therein that either contradict or do not confirm his allegations;

(c) Misrepresenting the findings in a report of the Panel of Experts prior to its publication as a document of the Security Council. For example, in his statement to the Security Council on 13 March 2025, the Sudanese representative misquoted and attempted to discredit the final report of the Panel of Experts.<sup>1</sup>

The United Arab Emirates notes that, contrary to the misrepresentations of the Sudanese representative, the report submitted in accordance with paragraph 2 of resolution [2725 \(2024\)](#) makes no findings against the United Arab Emirates. The United Arab Emirates further notes that the final report does not substantiate the allegations of the Sudanese representative. The United Arab Emirates has been unequivocal: it has not provided and is not providing support or supplies to any of the warring parties in Sudan since the outbreak of the civil war in April 2023.<sup>2</sup>

Regrettably, the delay in the publication of the report allowed the Sudanese representative to repeatedly misrepresent its content. The United Arab Emirates urges

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<sup>1</sup> 9878th meeting of the Security Council, held in connection with the item entitled "Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan".

<sup>2</sup> Letters dated 20 March 2024 ([S/2024/252](#)), 21 April 2024 ([S/2024/326](#)), 25 April 2024 ([S/2024/336](#)), 26 June 2024 ([S/2024/510](#)), 21 September 2024 ([S/2024/690](#)), 8 November 2024 ([A/79/604-S/2024/809](#)), 20 November 2024 ([S/2024/843](#)) and 28 December 2024 ([S/2024/988](#)).



the Security Council to take all necessary measures to ensure that such delays do not occur in the future.

The United Arab Emirates will not allow the baseless allegations disseminated by the Sudanese representative, who represents the interests of one of the warring parties that conducted a military coup that overthrew the civilian leadership of the Transitional Government in 2021, to divert its attention from addressing the catastrophic humanitarian crisis in Sudan caused by the civil war between the Sudanese Armed Forces and the Rapid Support Forces. We continue to call for an immediate ceasefire and a peaceful resolution to this conflict. In this vein, the United Arab Emirates recently participated in the London Sudan Conference and engaged actively and in good faith to support a transition towards an independent, civilian-led Government in Sudan, reversing the 2021 military coup.

The Security Council should also not allow these attempts by the Sudanese representative to divert the international community's attention from the humanitarian situation in Sudan, especially as both warring parties are blatantly disregarding international humanitarian law. International humanitarian law does not recognize the right of any party to obstruct the delivery of life-saving aid. The international community needs a unified position: the arbitrary assertion of sovereignty must never be used to justify starvation nor to shield those who block humanitarian access or target humanitarian relief personnel and civilians. Sudan's civilians deserve protection and access.

The United Nations must have a more robust response to the systematic obstruction and weaponization of aid and should publicly denounce either of the warring parties when they obstruct access for humanitarian assistance. The situation on the ground demands concrete action, including:

- (a) Taking all necessary measures to ensure compliance with international humanitarian law and protection of civilians, as envisaged by the Jeddah Declaration;
- (b) Establishing full humanitarian corridors to allow for the entry of humanitarian assistance at sufficient scale to meet the needs of the population.

The actions of both the Sudanese Armed Forces and the Rapid Support Forces have prolonged this crisis, and both parties must be held accountable for the atrocities that they have committed. Neither party can claim legitimacy while committing such grave violations.

The warring parties must urgently, and without preconditions, engage in good-faith negotiations. It is unacceptable that the Sudanese Armed Forces have repeatedly refused to participate in talks. Any party that fails to engage seriously must be publicly called out.

To secure and sustain peace in Sudan, the international community must unify its efforts behind a viable political process with a clear end game: the transition to a civilian-led Government, independent from military control.

For its part, United Arab Emirates support for the people of Sudan will not waver. Over the past decade, the United Arab Emirates has provided more than \$3.5 billion in aid to the Sudanese people, underscoring its dedication to helping those in need during times of crisis. Since the outbreak of the civil war in 2023, the United Arab Emirates has committed more than \$600 million in humanitarian aid and dispatched 162 relief flights, delivering more than 12,000 tons of food, medical and relief supplies.

The United Arab Emirates will continue working closely with partners to advance concrete and collective action to build a peaceful, unified and hopeful future for the country.

I should be grateful if the present letter could be issued as a document of the Security Council.

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Ambassador  
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