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Letter dated 1 June 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Algeria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

In my capacity as Chairman of the Arab Group for the month of June 2000 and on behalf of the members of the League of Arab States, I have the honour to refer to the letter dated 1 June 2000 from the Minister for External Relations of the Sudan, Mr. Mustafa Osman Ismail, addressed to you (S/2000/513, annex), in which he requests the Security Council to lift the sanctions imposed on the Sudan given that the country has met all of its obligations under the relevant Security Council resolutions.

I should like to assure you that, taking account of the positive and constructive efforts made by the Sudan to comply with the relevant Security Council resolutions, the Arab Group strongly supports the Sudan's request that the sanctions be lifted. The Arab Group hopes that the Council will consider this question on an urgent basis with a view to lifting the sanctions as soon as possible.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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