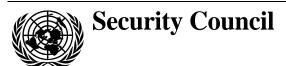
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On instructions from its Government, the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Chad presents its compliments to the President of the Security Council and is obliged to bring to the attention of the members of the Council the following Government communiqué:

Yesterday, the Government of the Republic of Chad welcomed the signing in Doha (Qatar) of an agreement on normalization of relations with the Sudan. Yet another of many agreements, as was pointed out by the international press. Trusting in the commitment of the mediating countries and the expressed intention to implement the provisions of all previous agreements, the Government of the Republic of Chad hoped that this time would be the right time for a return of peace and trust between the two countries.

Unfortunately, the Khartoum regime has changed neither its intentions nor its strategy. In signing the Doha agreement, the Khartoum regime has acted with the same duplicity as it has done with the previous agreements. The ink on the Doha agreement has still not dried, and the Khartoum regime has just launched several armed columns against our country. By unleashing this planned aggression against Chad, the Sudanese regime has just renounced the signature that it affixed in Doha.

The Government of the Republic of Chad calls upon the African Union, the mediating countries and national and international opinion to witness the bad faith of the Khartoum regime.

The Government of the Republic of Chad wishes to reassure the Chadian people in the face of this further act of treachery that the defence and security forces, which are always vigilant, will courageously carry out their patriotic duty.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Chad to the United Nations requests that this note be circulated as a document of the Council.

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