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Letter dated 25 August 2011 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Further to my letter dated 22 August 2011 (S/2011/530), regarding the situation in South Kordofan, I have the honour to convey that President Omar Hassan Al-Bashir has declared a unilateral ceasefire for two weeks in South Kordofan as a goodwill gesture to pave the way for a peaceful settlement regarding the situation there. We fervently hope that will encourage SPLM, Northern Sector, to reciprocate similarly and also to agree to sit down and negotiate a final cessation of hostilities agreement with the Government.

Having brought this to your kind attention, I would be grateful if the present letter were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Daffa-Alla Elhag Ali **Osman**
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