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Adopted by the Peace and Security Council (PSC) of the African Union (AU) at its 1366th meeting, held on 28 August 2026, through the silence procedure, on Consideration and adoption of the Report of the Field Mission of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union to Sudan, conducted from 15 to 17 August 2026.

The Peace and Security Council,

Recalling all its previous decisions and pronouncements on the situation in Sudan, in particular, Communiqué [PSC/PR/COMM.1330.1 (2026)] adopted at its 1330th meeting held at Ministerial level on 12 February 2026; Communiqué [PSC/PR/COMM.1293 (2025)] adopted at its 1293rd meeting held on 4 August 2025; and Communiqué [PSC/PR/COMM.1319 (2025)] adopted at its 1319th meeting held on 16 December 2025;

Further recalling the Declaration on the Framework for an OAU Response to Unconstitutional Change of Government, adopted by the 36th Ordinary Session of the OAU Assembly of Heads of State and Government held in Lomé, Togo, from 10 to 12 July 2000 (the Lomé Declaration), African Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance and all other relevant legal and normative frameworks on UCG;

Reaffirming the AU's solidarity with the State and the people of Sudan and the continued commitment of the AU to support them in their aspiration to restore lasting peace, security and stability, and prosperity in their country for the benefit of Sudan and the entire African Continent;

Also reaffirming the AU's respect for the preservation of Sudan's sovereignty, independence, national unity, and territorial integrity and, in this respect, reiterating the AU strong condemnation and non-recognition of any attempts by whosoever to divide Sudan and to create parallel institutions; and

Acting Under Article 7 of its Protocol, the Peace and Security Council:

1. ***Adopts*** the Report of its field mission to Sudan, conducted from 15 to 17 August 2026 under the Chairship of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria and ***emphasizes the need*** for expedited follow-up and implementation of the decisions contained in this Communiqué;
2. ***Urges*** the need to ensure restoration of public services, unhindered humanitarian assistance and resumption of productive activities in all parts of Sudan with special consideration of the current rainy season;
3. ***Takes note***, with deep concern, of the devastating impact of the ongoing conflict, in terms of huge losses of lives, population displacement as internally displaced persons and also as refugees, wanton destruction of property and infrastructure, human rights violations, violations of international humanitarian law and international human rights law, including gender-based violence against women and girls, as well as violations against children; as well as continued attacks against educational facilities, including schools, colleges, universities and centers for scientific and technological research; and in this regard, ***warns*** all perpetrators of all atrocities and violations that they will be held to account for the heinous acts;
4. ***Stresses the necessity*** for promoting an all-inclusive Sudan-led and Sudan-owned political process leading to a consensual solution to the current crisis with the close support of the AU and

IGAD; **while discouraging** parallel and competing peace initiatives and calling for the harmonization of all peace initiatives under the leadership of the AU, with the support of IGAD and the Quintet;

5. **Emphasizes** that there can be no viable military solution to the current crisis; **strongly urges** the belligerents to stop pursuing military solutions, which can only result in further loss of lives, destruction of infrastructure and the environment, population displacements and derail national development and, in this respect, **encourages** the Sudanese political actors to place the supreme interests of Sudan and its people above all else in order to give peace a chance;

6. **Calls for a genuinely** inclusive, transparent, credible inter-Sudanese dialogue, laying the foundation for the restoration of constitutional order through the holding of elections;

7. **Strongly supports** an inclusive political transition process towards the establishment of a civilian-led governance through the holding of elections and the centrality of an all-Sudanese genuine and inclusive dialogue, which mainstreams the meaningful participation of women and youth as the only viable path towards a consensual and durable solution to the current crisis;

8. **Emphasizes the importance** of AU and IGAD engagement with all stakeholders on national priority actions required to holistically address the country's governance, peace, and security challenges, and identify areas where the AU can provide support;

9. **Stresses the importance** of involving the neighboring countries of Sudan as strategic players in the search for a sustainable solution to the current conflict in Sudan and in this regard, **commends** the neighboring countries of Sudan for hosting and supporting Sudanese refugees and for their continued collaboration with the AU and IGAD to find lasting solutions to the conflict;

10. **Underscores the need** to urgently end the ongoing conflict and, in this regard, **demand**s an immediate and unconditional ceasefire and **calls** belligerents for the protection of civilians, respect for International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Law, in line with the various decisions of the AU Assembly and the PSC;

11. **Also calls** for unconditional and immediate cessation of hostilities; establishment of a humanitarian truce and for the immediate and unconditional withdrawal, from Sudan, of all foreign fighters and mercenaries;

12. **Strongly condemns** all external interferences and military and other supports that continue to fuel the conflict in Sudan and urges all concerned countries to put an end to such interferences;

13. **Condemns** all support to terrorist and insurgent elements and movements hosted, trained and provided logistical support with a mission to undermine the territorial integrity and security of neighboring countries and the region;

14. **Underscores the importance** of engaging all critical stakeholders to identify solutions to the country's unprecedented humanitarian crisis **while emphasizing** the need for comprehensively addressing its structural root causes;

15. **Emphasizes the need** for the establishment and strengthening of accountability mechanisms in order to combat impunity and promote justice for the victims of atrocities being committed in the ongoing war;

16. **Stresses the need** for scaling up resource mobilization towards addressing the dire humanitarian situation and reconstruction of public infrastructure in the country and alleviating the

suffering of populations, in this regard, ***calls*** AU Organs and AU Member States in the capacity to do so;

17. ***Emphasizes the need*** for coordinated international peace efforts, led by the African Union and IGAD, with support from neighboring countries of Sudan and key international partners, to resolve the crisis in Sudan;

18. ***Urges*** all parties in Sudan to respect the role and contribution of the African Union, its organs and decision-makers and to cooperate with the efforts of the AU to bring all actors to dialogue;

19. ***Requests*** the AUC PAPS Department to include Sudan as a systematic beneficiary of AFSIT program until the re-establishment of peace in the continent;

20. ***Requests*** the Chairperson of the AU Commission to undertake a field mission to Sudan to engage with the civilian actors, the transitional authorities, and all political forces, as well as all stakeholders, with a view to developing a joint AU-Sudan roadmap aimed at ending the conflict and restoring peace;

21. ***Welcomes*** the reopening of the IGAD Office in Khartoum and ***urges*** the AUC leadership to resume the work of the AU Liaison Office in Khartoum, by December 2026;

22. ***Requests*** the AUC Department of Health, Humanitarian Affairs and Social Development (HHS), jointly with the PRC Sub-Committee on Refugees, Migrants and Internally Displaced Persons, to offer a donation of USD 500,000 to Sudan in 2027 and 2028 as a gesture of solidarity, in order to support the Sudanese people—who are facing a severe humanitarian crisis and destruction of their essential infrastructure;

23. ***Also requests*** HHS Department, in close coordination with Africa CDC and AMA, to launch a support programme for Sudan titled “AU Health Support for Sudan,” comprising the provision of medical equipment and pharmaceutical products;

24. ***Further requests*** the ESTI Department, through its relevant mechanisms and in close collaboration with AUDA-NEPAD, to launch a programme dedicated to Sudan titled “AU Education Support for Sudan,” aimed at sustaining and rebuilding the Sudanese education system;

25. ***Commends*** the Republic of Sudan for facilitating the successful organization and undertaking of the field mission, including for the warm hospitality and all diplomatic courtesies extended to the PSC Delegation; and

26. ***Decides*** to remain actively seized of the situation in Sudan.