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**HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATIONS THAT REQUIRE
THE COUNCIL'S ATTENTION**

**Austria*, Belgium*, Bulgaria*, Canada, Cyprus*, Czech Republic*, Denmark*,
Estonia*, Finland*, France, Germany, Greece*, Hungary*, Ireland*, Italy, Latvia*,
Lithuania*, Luxembourg*, Malta*, Netherlands, Norway*, Poland*, Portugal*,
Romania*, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain*, Sweden*, Switzerland, United Kingdom of
Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America*:
amendments to draft resolution L.17**

**1. After the third preambular paragraph *insert* a new preambular paragraph,
*reading***

Reaffirming Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/82 of 21 April 2005, and Council resolutions 6/34 and 6/35 of 14 December 2007, 7/16 of 27 March 2008 and 9/17 of 24 September 2008, and calling on the Government of the Sudan to continue and intensify its efforts to implement them,

2. Paragraph 2 *should read*

Acknowledges the progress made in the implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement and the steps taken by the Government of National Unity to strengthen the human

* Non-member State of the Human Rights Council.

rights legal and institutional framework, principally in law reform, and urges the Government of the Sudan to intensify these efforts;

3. Paragraph 3 should read

Also acknowledges the decision of the Government of National Unity to hold general elections in February 2010, in accordance with the provisions of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, and expresses its hope that the elections will lead to the democratic and peaceful devolution of power;

4. Paragraph 7 should read

Reiterates its call upon the signatories of the Darfur Peace Agreement to comply with their obligations under the Agreement, and calls upon non-signatory parties to join in and to commit themselves to the peace process in compliance with relevant United Nations resolutions;

5. Paragraph 13 should read

Takes note of the press statement on the consultative meeting between the Government of National Unity, the African Union, the League of Arab States and the Organization of the Islamic Conference, in which they took note, inter alia, of the reports of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur;

6. After paragraph 18 insert a new paragraph, reading

19. *Decides* to create the mandate of independent expert on the situation of human rights in the Sudan for a period of one year, who shall assume the mandate and responsibilities set out by the Council in its resolutions 6/34, 6/35, 7/16 and 9/17, requests the independent expert to engage with the newly created human rights forums in the Sudan as well as the human rights sections of the African Union, the United Nations Mission in the Sudan and the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur and to submit a report to the Council for consideration at its fourteenth session, and requests the Secretary-General to provide the independent expert with all necessary assistance to discharge the mandate fully.
