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Human rights situation in Egypt

We thank the commission of human rights for its role in consolidating the principles of human rights and realization of justice and democracy for peoples. We peoples of the third world were filled with and trained by the international community to work on the principle of democracy and good governance. But we are sorry to see that when we really implement democracy and with our own choice to whom to represent us, that, and surprisingly, some great countries let us down and help the dictatorship and governance of the soldiers as happened in Arab republic of Egypt, although the current Egyptian government violated the international charters of human rights, which it is committed to, especially the international declaration of human rights, the international accord concerning the political and civil rights (CCPR) and agreement of prevention of torture (CAI). We call upon the international mechanisms especially those of council of human rights concerned with killing outside the power of judiciary, prevention of torture, illegal detention, freedom of expression and peaceful grouping to visit as soon as possible Arab republic of Egypt and to present detailed reports that will enable the council to take the appropriate decision to stop these violations that affected all the sectors of the Egyptian society especially women, children, elderly and those with special needs.

We as an African – Arab civil society organization condemn what happens in Arab republic of Egypt from the leaders of the military coup and we condemn the violence in the peninsula of Sinaa from the uncontrollable groups who are the result of the military governance. We reiterate our thanks to the high commission to human rights and we thank government of Denmark for its position and we proudly thank the African union presided over by Madame Zuma, of which we are proud to be a member, for its pioneer role in consolidation of democracy in Africa. We thank Turkey for its transparent role in rejection of the military governance and sticking to democracy as choice for peoples.

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