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including the right to development**

Written statement* submitted by the Sudanese Women Parliamentarians Caucus, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status

The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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National Dialogue in Sudan, Strengthening Human Rights and Women Political Participation

In her political history and ever since the dawn of Independence, Sudanese Women have been known for their initiatives, Participation and as an authentic agent of social change for the best of society. The ultimate goal is that of achieving sustainable development in accordance with technology. However, this is not attainable without security, peace and stability.

Throughout their strife, Sudanese Women have not weakened or given up but rather continued with perseverance and strong will. As a consequence, The Laws of Election in 2008 came out with allowing 25% for Women Political Participation. By 2015 it became 30% - As such, this gave an effective presence in the two chambers (National Assembly and Council of States) with (156) women out of 480 members.

Participation in the Executive organ in ministries federal as well as state ones and in various states of the country with (18) women.

Participation in all organs Judiciary, media and security as well as others. Hence Women became part of decision making and taking in all critical decisions concerning the safety of the country and people.

Sudanese Women have continued to be the initiators, defenders, advocates on all state and national issues.

For all that, her participation was very strong and influential in the National dialogue which has started since October 10th 2016 up till now.

She was an effective and efficient member in all six committees of the National Dialogue representing political parties. In some with 50%, as well as representatives for warring factions, those who signed or those who did not.

As an expert participation in various academic fields and representative for Civil Society Organizations (NGOs).

As Head of some committees and Sub-Committees as well as preparing and presenting papers.

The National Women Parliamentarian's Caucus (NWPC) has the greatest role in the societal dialogue via leading raising-awareness' campaign for Women in all states of Sudan.

This was done through meeting and symposia with Society Key figures inciting and urging them towards serious work for convincing families and communities to address and awakening the values of Democratic Participation for all- Without discrimination or elimination – all through via dialogue or positive discussion in the country's crucial issues to make the societal dialogue successful and to achieve peace and stability for the sake of Justice.

We call upon the international arena and Human Rights machineries to cherish Human Rights and to respect States' resolutions and policies in how to administer their own affairs by rendering assistance, and Support.
