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**Official communiqué of the 6252nd (closed) meeting of the Security Council****Held in private at Headquarters, New York, on Monday,  
21 December 2009, at 11 a.m.**

In accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the following communiqué was issued through the Secretary-General in place of a verbatim record:

“At its 6252nd meeting, held in private on 21 December 2009, the Security Council considered the item entitled ‘Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan’.

“The President extended invitations to Member States which had requested to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council’s provisional rules of procedure.

“Pursuant to the decisions taken at the 6251st meeting, the President extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council’s provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Mr. Jean Ping, Chairperson of the African Union Commission and His Excellency Mr. Thabo Mbeki, Chairperson of the African Union High-Level Panel on Darfur.

“Members of the Council and His Excellency Mr. Ping had an exchange of views.”

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