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## *HUMAN RIGHT COUNCIL*

*Up –date report  
of the High Commissioner on Human Rights  
Third session of the Human Rights Council*

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*Statement  
By H.E. Idriss JAZAIRY, Ambassador,  
Permanent Representative of Algeria*

*In the name  
of  
The African Group*

*Geneva, 29 November 2006*

Mr President,

The 2<sup>nd</sup> session of the HRC adopted a resolution on Darfur which addresses the legitimate concerns that we all have with respect to the serious human rights situation which prevails in this region.

The alleged links between the GOS and militias referred to by the HCHR have yet to be documented. What is certain is that there is a cycle of violence developing in a context of lawlessness where tribal leaders, bandits and rebels not having signed the peace agreement engage in so-called retaliation and counter-retaliation. This must stop as civilians are losing their lives or being deprived of their livelihoods. Likewise sequestering innocent civilians by the tens of thousands in IDP camps at gun-point as a bargaining chip held by rebel groups seeking ever-larger cash compensation on-a per capita basis, is an unacceptable violation of human rights

Our resolution has called for enhancing accountability and preventing impunity. We are pleased to learn that the GOS is cooperating actively in this regard with the ICC to which the High Commissioner has referred.

Likewise, we welcome recent positive development including the statement of the third meeting of the Darfur Peace Agreement Joint Commission of 12 November "welcoming the information by the Force Commander and Chairman of CFC that the security situation in most parts of Darfur was improving".

As we are encouraged by the outcome of the High Level Consultation on the situation in Darfur of 16 November 2006 which was not mentioned in the up-date of the High Commissioner and which is re-energizing the political process.

The Darfur situation, although a humanitarian issue, is being heavily politicized. It follows that those who would like to impose greater international tutelage on Sudan will invoke a worsening situation and see the glass as half empty rather than half full.

We believe that the ultimate assessment of the situation rests with the AU Force Commanders and we hope that the UN will back up their devoted efforts to bring about peace which is the only way that the human rights situation can be made to improve durably.

I thank you