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Excellency,

In my capacity as Special Rapporteur for Follow-up to Concluding Observations of the Human Rights Committee, I have the honour to refer to the examination of the third periodic report of the Republic of Sudan by the Committee at its 90th session, held in July 2007. At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that, in paragraph 31 of the concluding observations, the Committee, in accordance with rule 71, paragraph 5, of its rules of procedure, requested Sudan to provide within one year further information regarding the specific areas of concern identified in paragraphs 9, 11 and 17 of the concluding observations.

On 22 September and 19 December 2008, reminders were sent to the Permanent Mission of Sudan, observing that the information sought by the Committee remained outstanding. On 22 June and 7 October 2009, I requested to meet a representative of the State party.

On 19 October 2009, the Committee received a follow-up report from the State party. The Committee thanks the State party for its response to paragraphs 7, 8, 10, 12, 15, 16, 18, 20, 23, 24, 27 and 28 of the concluding observations, which it was not in fact obliged to provide, given that the responses to these concluding observations should be provided in the next periodic report. While taking note of the State party's willingness to cooperate, the Committee noted that the information provided with respect to the paragraphs under consideration was incomplete. The Committee also regrets that the annexes have not been received, despite the Secretariat's request on 26 February 2010.

At its 100th session, held in October 2010, the Committee noted that the fourth periodic report of Sudan was due on 26 July 2010. I therefore take this opportunity to remind the State party to submit its report on time and to include in this report information on all of the Committee's previous concluding observations, in particular on paragraphs 9, 11 and 17.

The Committee looks forward to pursuing a constructive dialogue with the authorities of Sudan.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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