

**AGREEMENT OF GOOD WILL AND CONFIDENCE  
BUILDING FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF THE  
PROBLEM IN DARFUR**

Under the kind auspices of the State of Qatar and the AU-UN Joint Chief Mediator for Darfur, a meeting was convened from 10<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> of February 2009 in Doha, capital of the State of Qatar between a delegation from the Government of National Unity of the Republic of Sudan (GNU) and a delegation from the Justice and Equality Movement Sudan (JEM) to pursue a negotiated peaceful settlement for the Sudan conflict in Darfur.

**The two Parties hereby:**

**Firstly:** **Highly appreciate** the role of the State of Qatar as the Host Country and agree upon Doha as the venue for the talks between them.

**Secondly:** **Appreciate** the kind auspices by H.H. Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Emir of the State of Qatar and the mediation by the esteemed Government of the State of Qatar and the AU-UN Joint Chief Mediator, Mr Djibrill Bassolé;

**Thirdly:** **Recognise** the constructive support to the peace process provided by neighboring countries and the international community;

**Fourthly:** **Declare** their intent to work towards ending the ongoing conflict between them, as follows:

1. **Give** the peace process a strategic priority over other issues to settle the conflict in Darfur;
2. **Agree** to adopt a comprehensive approach which addresses the root-causes of the problem and realizes a lasting peace in the country.
3. **Agree** to take all necessary measures to create a conducive environment for reaching a lasting settlement of the conflict, including :
  - a) **Refrain** from all kinds of harassment of IDPs.
  - b) **Guarantee** the smooth and unobstructed flow of relief assistance to the needy people without any obstacles or constraints.



- c) **Commit** to exchange prisoners and release imprisoned, convicted, detained and arrested persons in relation to the conflict between them with a view to building confidence and accelerating the peace process. The State of Qatar and the AU-UN Joint Chief Mediator will maintain contacts with both parties to workout a time-line for concluding the release of the above-mentioned.
4. **Work** towards an early framework agreement that leads to cessation of hostilities and lay down the basis for detailed issues.
  5. **Undertake** to follow the framework agreement with serious talks to end the conflict in the shortest possible time, not to exceed three months.
  6. **Pledge** to remain engaged in the peace process and to maintain representatives in Doha to prepare a framework agreement for the final talks.

Done in three languages, in Arabic, English and French, all texts are equally authentic.

Signed in Doha on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2009

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