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**Letter dated 17 July 2002 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i., of the
Permanent Mission of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed
to the President of the Security Council**

I have the honour in my capacity as Chairman of the Islamic Group at the United Nations to request that the Security Council extend an invitation to participate in the discussion without the right to vote under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure of the Council to His Excellency Mr. Mokhtar Lamani, Permanent Observer of Organization of the Islamic Conference to the United Nations during the Council's discussion on "the situation in Afghanistan" on Friday, 19 July 2002.

(Signed) Omer Bashir **Manis**
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Chairman of the Islamic Group