



Human Rights Council

Resolution 4/8. Follow-up to decision S-4/101 of 13 December 2006 adopted by the Human Rights Council at its fourth special session entitled “Situation of human rights in Darfur”

The Human Rights Council,

Recalling its decision S-4/101, adopted by consensus, establishing a High-Level Mission to assess the human rights situation in Darfur and the needs of the Sudan in this regard, and to report to the Human Rights Council at its fourth session,

Recalling that the Government of the Sudan welcomed this decision and expressed its readiness to improve the human rights situation in Darfur,

1. *Takes note with regret* that the High-Level Mission could not visit Darfur;
2. *Takes note* of the report of the High-Level Mission on the situation of human rights in Darfur pursuant to Human Rights Council decision S-4/101 (A/HRC/4/80);
3. *Expresses its deep concern* regarding the seriousness of the ongoing violations of human rights and international humanitarian law in Darfur, including armed attacks on the civilian population and humanitarian workers, widespread destruction of villages, and continued and widespread violence, in particular gender-based violence against women and girls, as well as the lack of accountability of perpetrators of such crimes;
4. *Calls upon* all parties to the conflict in Darfur to put an end to all acts of violence against civilians, with a special focus on vulnerable groups including women, children and internally displaced persons, as well as humanitarian workers;
5. *Calls upon* the signatories of the Darfur Peace Agreement to comply with their obligations under the agreement, acknowledges the measures already taken

towards its implementation and calls upon non-signatory parties to join in and to commit themselves to the peace agreement in compliance with the relevant United Nations resolutions;

6. *Decides* to convene a group to be presided over by the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan, composed of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for children and armed conflict, the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights defenders, the Representative of the Secretary-General on human rights of internally displaced persons, the Special Rapporteur on the question of torture and the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences;

7. *Requests* this group to work with the Government of the Sudan, the appropriate human rights mechanisms of the African Union and to closely consult with the Chairman of the Darfur-Darfur Dialogue and Consultation (DDDC) to ensure the effective follow-up and to foster the implementation of resolutions and recommendations on Darfur, as adopted by the Human Rights Council, the Commission on Human Rights and other United Nations human rights institutions as well as to promote the implementation of relevant recommendations of other United Nations human rights mechanisms, taking into account the needs of the Sudan in this regard, to safeguard the consistency of these recommendations and to contribute to monitoring the human rights situation on the ground;

8. *Calls upon* the Government of the Sudan to fully cooperate with the group;

9. *Requests* the group to report to the Council at its fifth session;

10. *Decides* to take a decision at its fifth session of any follow-up action that might be required.

*Adopted without a vote
31st meeting
30 March 2007*