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The People and Government of Sudan welcome the positive resolution taken by H.E. the United States President Donald Trump on 6th October to permanently lift the United States sanctions on Sudan.

Sudan welcomes this resolution and considers it an important development in the history of Sudanese-American relations and a natural outcome for a frank, transparent and constructive dialogue that discussed all issues of mutual concern. This process, diligently overseen by H.E President Omer El-Bashir, had entailed rigorous and effective participation of all concerned institutions from both sides.

In view of this resolution, Sudan would like to reaffirm its unequivocal commitment to continue cooperation with the United States in all bilateral, regional and international matters of mutual concern, especially in measures designed to preserve international peace and security, countering terrorism, combating irregular migration and human trafficking.

While looking forward to building normal and developing relationship with the United States, Sudan believes that removing its name from the United States list of 'States Sponsor of Terrorism', which Sudan does not belong to, remains an essential step in that direction. Further positive steps such as putting an end to all negative measures taken or supported by the United States institutions internationally against Sudan, and facilitating Sudan's debt relief which comes in line with other states in similar development stages, are also needed.

Sudan further reiterates its commitment to shoulder its responsibility in preserving its national security and national interest in a manner that achieves prosperity and development for its people, adhering to dialogue

as the only way to accomplish stability and national peace. Sudan reaffirms its intention to continue consolidating relations and building bridges with all nations and states as well as its constructive and well-known efforts for peace and security in the region and in Africa.

Sudan would like to extend thanks and gratitude to all sisterly states and organizations that supported its efforts to have the sanctions lifted, especially the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Qatar, the Sultanate of Oman, Egypt, Ethiopia, the Arab League, the African Union, the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation, the African and Arab Parliaments, IGAD and all friendly states which supported Sudan's efforts in this respect.

Foremost, thanks to Allah Almighty and the resolute Sudanese people who, in all sectors, organizations and groups bore the brunt of the negative impact of the prolonged sanctions that affected their livelihood, and who contributed to the efforts leading to the lifting of sanctions.

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