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The African Union Commission and UNAMID sign a Funding Agreement for Darfur

25 May 2013, Addis Ababa: The Commission of the African Union (AU) and the Joint AU-UN Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID) today signed an Agreement under which the AU will provide US$2.98 million for a variety of humanitarian, development and peace-building projects in Darfur. These funds were originally part of a $US 10 million donation from the Government of Japan for this purpose. The funds shall be administered by the Trust Fund for the Support of Lasting Peace in Darfur.

The Agreement was signed at the AU Headquarters on the margins of the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the OAU/AU. Mr. El-Ghassim Wane, Director of the AU Peace and Security Department, signed the Agreement on behalf of the AU Commission, while Dr. Mohamed Ibn Chambas, AU-UN Joint Special Representative for Darfur, signed on behalf of UNAMID.

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