AGREED OUTCOMES

1. On 27 September 2014, representatives of the African Union (AU), Government of Sudan (GoS), United Nations (UN) and the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID) met in New York, for the eighteenth meeting of the Tripartite Coordination Mechanism on UNAMID.

2. The AU delegation was led by Ambassador Smail Chergui, Commissioner for Peace and Security. The GoS Delegation was led by Ambassador Sana’a Hamad Awad, Officer-in-Charge, Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The UN delegation was jointly led by Mr. Hervé Ladsous, Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Peacekeeping Operations, and Ms. Ameera Haq, Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Field Support. Joint Special Representative Mohamed Ibn Chambas led the UNAMID delegation.

3. In their opening statements, the AU, UN and GoS delegations welcomed progress made in the implementation of UNAMID’s mandate and cooperation received from the host Government. All participants recognized the importance of the Tripartite Coordination Mechanism to address challenges to the effective implementation of the UNAMID mandate.

4. Participants welcomed Security Council resolution 2173 (2014), the reprioritisation of UNAMID’s strategic priorities following resolution 2148 (2014) and the forthcoming discussions on UNAMID’s exit strategy on the basis of progress on the ground and in coordination with the United Nations Country Team. In this regard, the meeting looked forward to further work toward building an environment for recovery and development in Darfur. Participants welcomed the initiative of the inclusive national dialogue launched by H.E. Mr. Omar Hassan Ahmed Al Bashir, President of the Republic of the Sudan, on 27 January 2014. Participants commended progress achieved in this regard and reiterated the benefits the national dialogue would hold for peace and security in Darfur and the whole of Sudan.

5. Participants reviewed thoroughly the progress made so far on security issues, UNAMID’s deployment, issuance of visas, and challenges in importation and exportation of goods for UNAMID’s operational needs. The meeting urged GoS and UNAMID to increase coordination and work at the technical level to expeditiously solve these issues.

6. Ms. Haq briefed on the measures taken with regard to the Ebola outbreak and the JSR assured participants that UNAMID continues to issue regular guidance to its personnel on prevention and precautions regarding Ebola. Participants urged UNAMID, UN Mission for Ebola Emergency Response (UNMEER), UN Country Team and other relevant agencies to take the necessary preventive arrangements and provide the Government of Sudan with the needed assistance in this regard. In regard to the streamlining exercise, participants agreed to work closely in implementing its recommendations, and thanked GoS for improved cooperation as a result of the strategic review. UN Principals informed of next steps for UNAMID following the adoption of resolution 2173 (2014).
7. Noting that this meeting will be the last Tripartite Coordination Mechanism meeting attended by the Joint Special Representative/Joint Chief Mediator, the participants thanked Mr. Chambas for his dedication, commitment and outstanding contributions to the peace in Darfur during his tenure as Joint Special Representative and wished him success in his new posting.

8. The participants agreed that the next meeting will take place in the margins of the AU summit in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in January 2015.

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