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To: OHCHR- Methodology, Education and Training Section

**Sub.: progress report on the Implementation of the world
Programme for Human Rights Education Government of Sudan**

With reference to the above mentioned subject and the Human Rights Council resolution 15/11, the government of Sudan would like to present the following progress reports:

1- **Overall national strategy for implementing the plan of action** Within the different government institutions working on human rights issues, there are annual action plans that indicates their strategies in relation to human rights education, One month ago the Advisory Council for Human Rights initiated a process of having one national strategy on human rights education, a symposium in this regarding is under discussion.

2- **Specific human rights education initiatives undertaken with respect to:**

a- Higher education

The human rights education is rapidly increasing in the different universities in Sudan both for under and post graduate students, an example to that is the University to Khartoum, Faculty of Law, where human rights and humanitarian law constitutes part of the syllabus. Also a Human Rights Higher Diploma is part of the post graduates degrees other universities are also developing their human rights syllabus.

B. Teachers and educators

The right to education has been protected and organized, there are oblige the Ministry of Education to train the teachers and educators and also to organize activities for the students (article 6 of the General Education Planning Act 2001). Within the subjects taught there are number of rights included namely, right to religion, human dignity, equality, right to work, society development, equality before law right to life and others. This goes to both basic and Secondary school subjects.

A number of training activities were organized for teachers and educators in different human rights issues including, child rights to education and the relevancy of human rights to education, corporal punishment and others.

C. Law Enforcement Officials

The human rights education and training is at the heart of all the human rights training programme, The Ministry of Justice, Training Department and the Advisory Council for Human Rights developed administration of justice training programme targeting mainly prosecutors, police officers, security officers, lawyers and civil society organizations working in legal aid.

These projects were implemented for the last two years with the support of the UN agencies and other donors and took place in Khartoum as well as other states including, the River Nile state, North Kordofan, Blue Nile State, Darfur States and Red Sea State.

This programme discussed the international, regional and national laws and the actual implementation on the ground what characterizes these training are the following:-

- 1- It brings all the arms of Justice in one table, so discussion is mainly based on good practices as well as bad practices.
- 2- It provides good forums for law reform to the penal laws.
- 3- It covers major states of Sudan and not only in the capital.

Given the Positive outcomes of these activities the training programme for law enforcement officials was decided to be a continuous programme in the annual work plan of the Ministry of Justice, the Prosecutors General Department as well as the Advisory Council for Human Rights.

Another important development is that human rights and humanitarian law is one of the syllabuses of the police and the security collages.

D. Military Personnel

For the military, human rights and humanitarian law are part of the subjects taught at the military college, and also one of the aspects considered upon promotion.

Continuous training on human rights and humanitarian law is taking place all the yearlong for all the military personnel, some of these activities are implemented in partnership with civil society organizations and others are part of the training programmes held by different government institutions including the ACHR.

In conclusion the government of Sudan avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the OHCHR the assurances of its highest consideration, and hope to continue cooperation for the promotion and protection of human rights worldwide.

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