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Bujumbura, Burundi, 18th April 2025 - The Secretariat of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) expresses deep concern regarding continued attacks on civilians in El Fasher, particularly in the Zamzam and Abu Shouk camps, that have resulted in the massive loss of innocent civilians, including women, children and humanitarian workers.

While conveying its condolences to the Government of Sudan and the bereaved families, ICGLR joins the international community in condemning this attack which constitutes grave violation of international humanitarian and human rights law.

In this regard, the ICGLR urges all parties to this conflict to ensure the protection of civilians and humanitarian workers and cease of all hostilities. ICGLR calls for immediate lifting of the siege on El Fasher city and ensuring unhindered humanitarian access to the civilian population.

ICGLR reaffirms the principles established during the 10th Extraordinary Summit of ICGLR Heads of State and Government held in June 2023, which clearly acknowledged that "*the solution for the Sudanese crisis does not have a military solution and therefore requires an inclusive political process.*"

We remain convinced that lasting peace in Sudan can only be achieved through inclusive dialogue involving all Sudanese stakeholders.