



STATEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ICGLR ON SUDAN

Bujumbura, 3rd March 2025 - The Executive Secretary of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) expresses serious concern regarding the announcement by the Rapid Support Forces (RSF) and affiliated groups of a political charter establishing a parallel governing authority in areas under their control.

This development poses a significant risk to the unity of Sudan and may impede ongoing regional and international efforts toward peace and dialogue. The ICGLR firmly opposes this unilateral action that challenges Sudan's sovereignty and territorial integrity.

The 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 maintain our conviction that lasting peace in Sudan can only be achieved through comprehensive dialogue involving all Sudanese stakeholders. In this context ICGLR welcomes the road map announced by Sudan on 9th February 2025 on forming a cabinet of independent technocrats to restore peace and stability in the country and resume the tasks of the transitional period including the achievement of democratic transition in the country.

The ICGLR emphasizes the importance of coordinating with Sudan's legitimate authorities toward peaceful democratic transition. We express deep concern regarding violence against civilians that has disrupted humanitarian operations, particularly in El Fasher and Zamzam camp, and call for immediate humanitarian access. We reaffirm our commitment to Sudan's unity, territorial integrity, and the peaceful resolution of this conflict.

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