Your Excellency President Abdel-Fattah Al-Sisi,

President of the Arab Republic of Egypt,

Your Excellencies, Heads of State and Government,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I would like to express my gratitude for your commendable initiative in organising this significant and inaugural gathering of Sudan's neighbouring countries to explore effective strategies to resolve the ongoing crisis and mitigate its adverse and unparalleled impact on Sudan's future, as well as the stability and security of its environs. Ever since the outbreak of the crisis, the Council of the League of Arab States has demonstrated a keen interest in exploring viable avenues to reinstate peace and stability in Sudan, as it is deemed one of the most pressing priorities of the League. The League Council has conducted several meetings, including the recent Arab summit gatherings in Jeddah, to reiterate its call for an immediate cessation of all armed hostilities, with the aim of halting the loss of innocent lives, safeguarding the security and well-being of civilians, and preserving the territorial sovereignty and integrity of the Sudanese people, along with their inherent capabilities.

The League of Arab States has been diligent in its endeavours to foster coordination and collaboration with the United Nations, African Union, and pertinent humanitarian organisations, recognising that the

prevailing circumstances pose a significant challenge to the peace and security of this pivotal Arab-African nation.

Allow me here to address the following basic determinants of the Arab position, which may help in the mechanisms of a regional solution to remedy the crisis:

- The League underscores the utmost significance of safeguarding the Sudanese state institutions and precluding their collapse, while extending all possible assistance to enable them to carry out their duties effectively and surmount the challenges they encounter.
- The League staunchly opposes any foreign intervention in Sudan's internal affairs, and stands in full solidarity with Sudan in protecting its sovereignty, independence, and territorial integrity.
 - 3. The League extends its unequivocal support to the Jeddah track, which aims to establish the conditions necessary for a comprehensive and sustainable ceasefire, conducive to the resumption of the transitional process.
- 4. The League emphasises the pivotal role of neighbouring countries that are grappling with the immense humanitarian and security implications of the crisis. Accordingly, it is imperative for them to be at the forefront of the ongoing coordination and cooperation efforts to bring about its resolution, while exploring the prospect of holding additional comparable summits, should the situation warrant such action.

- 5. The League lends its unwavering support to an allencompassing Sudanese political course of action that accommodates all factions, and materialises the Sudanese people's aspirations for peace, security, and development, culminating in the establishment of a transitional government that can garner the requisite consensus to tackle fundamental issues, particularly the economic and humanitarian circumstances, and security sector reform, in harmony with the provisions outlined in the Jeddah Summit's concluding statement concerning "refusing support to establishing armed groups and militias that are not part of state institutions."
- 6. The League pledges to sustain the coordination and collaboration between itself, the United Nations, and the African Union, to play an active role in the endeavours to alleviate the crisis, founded upon the principles of respecting Sudan's sovereignty and territorial integrity. It also highlights the significance of the participation of the Sudanese state in the initiatives being launched, alongside the mechanism of Sudan's neighbouring nations, to preclude any partial approaches and ensure a comprehensive approach to resolving the crisis.
- 7- Intensifying Arab, regional, and international efforts to stop the deterioration of Sudan's already precarious food security and its detrimental repercussions on a number of its bordering nations. strengthening the urgent humanitarian response to the crisis there. In this context, I'd like to bring up the urgent initiative the League of Arab States has launched to rescue the

Sudanese agricultural season. The Sudanese side, as well as all parties involved and partner organisations, are presently discussing the next steps for its implementation.

Finally, I reaffirm the League of Arab States' commitment to continuing to support African and Arab efforts to resolve the crisis in order to spare Sudanese lives and preserve the country's future.

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