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Letter dated 1 November 2021 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the President of the Human Rights Council

On behalf of the delegations of the States listed in the annex, I request that the Human Rights Council hold a special session this week to address the human rights implications of the ongoing situation in the Sudan.

A special session is needed because of the importance and urgency of the situation. We make the present request to hold a special session on an urgent basis, in accordance with the relevant procedural rules, including paragraph 10 of General Assembly resolution 60/251, paragraphs 119 to 128 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1, and rules 5 and 6 of the rules of procedure of the Human Rights Council.

Please share the present request with the Human Rights Council secretariat and convene the Bureau at your earliest convenience in order that the necessary arrangements and notifications may be made. The present letter is submitted as a joint request by the troika of countries on the Sudan (the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, and Norway), Germany and the Government of the Sudan, as confirmed by the notes verbales submitted to the President of the Human Rights Council.

(signed)

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United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland



Annex

States members and observer States of the Human Rights Council requesting the convening of a special session

Member States

Austria, Brazil, Bulgaria, Czechia, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Libya, Mexico, Netherlands, Poland, Republic of Korea, Sudan, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay

Observer States

Albania, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, New Zealand, Norway, Romania, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United States of America
