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Urging the Government of National Unity of Sudan and the Government of Southern Sudan to implement fully the Comprehensive Peace Agreement that was signed on January 9, 2005.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. FRIST (for himself, Mr. SANTORUM, and Mr. BROWNBACK) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Urging the Government of National Unity of Sudan and the Government of Southern Sudan to implement fully the Comprehensive Peace Agreement that was signed on January 9, 2005.

Whereas the people of Sudan have been devastated by war for all but 10 years since Sudan gained its independence in 1956;

Whereas the second civil war in Sudan between the Government of Sudan in the north and the Sudan People's Liberation Movement in the south lasted for more than 20 years;

Whereas more than 2,000,000 people died and more than 4,000,000 people were internally displaced or became ref-

ugees as a direct or indirect result of the civil war in Sudan;

Whereas, on January 9, 2005, the Government of Sudan and the Sudan People's Liberation Movement signed the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, which ended Sudan's 21-year civil war;

Whereas the Comprehensive Peace Agreement provides for a new constitution, new arrangements for power sharing and wealth sharing, and a 6-year interim period to be followed by a referendum in Southern Sudan so that the people of Southern Sudan can decide their political future;

Whereas the parties have implemented parts of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, such as the ratification of the new constitution and the formation of the Government of National Unity and the Government of Southern Sudan;

Whereas the overall pace of implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement has been slow and insufficient;

Whereas the recommendations of many of the commissions established by the Comprehensive Peace Agreement have yet to be implemented;

Whereas 1 of the keys to a lasting and durable peace in Sudan is the full and timely implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement by all sides, wholly consistent with the letter, spirit, and intent of the agreement;

Whereas, despite the signing of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement and an end to the civil war, there has been

little progress made in ending the genocide in Sudan's western region of Darfur;

Whereas hundreds of thousands of innocent civilians have died in Darfur as a result of violence, disease, and malnutrition, and millions more have been internally displaced or sought refuge in refugee camps in neighboring Chad;

Whereas millions of the people across Sudan continue to suffer from the effects of war, including displacement and war-related disease, hunger, and malnutrition;

Whereas the United States and the international community must not neglect the humanitarian and reconstruction needs of the people of Southern Sudan;

Whereas, according to the World Food Program, more than 2,900,000 people in Southern Sudan have been severely affected by the civil war;

Whereas the people of Southern Sudan are in desperate need of reconstruction assistance to build and improve vital infrastructure components, such as an education system, a health care system, and a transportation system, that are nearly nonexistent in Southern Sudan;

Whereas the current humanitarian crisis in Southern Sudan is considered 1 of the worst in decades; and

Whereas the reconstruction process in Southern Sudan is vital to delivering the benefits of peace to the people of Southern Sudan and stability to the region: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) strongly urges the new Government of Na-

3 tional Unity of Sudan to implement fully the Com-

1 prehensive Peace Agreement in a timely manner
2 consistent with the letter, spirit, and intent of the
3 agreement;

4 (2) calls on the Government of National Unity
5 to meet the terms of the Comprehensive Peace
6 Agreement to achieve an equitable distribution of
7 wealth and resources between the North and the
8 South and to provide a full and transparent account-
9 ing of Sudan's oil revenues;

10 (3) urges the United States Government—

11 (A) to maintain appropriate pressure on
12 the Government of National Unity to implement
13 fully the Comprehensive Peace Agreement;

14 (B) to maintain sanctions and pressure on
15 the Government of National Unity until the
16 Comprehensive Peace Agreement has been fully
17 implemented and the crisis in Darfur has been
18 resolved; and

19 (C) to address, as appropriate, any legal
20 barriers which prevent humanitarian and recon-
21 struction operations in Southern Sudan;

22 (4) supports the continued provision of humani-
23 tarian and reconstruction assistance from the United
24 States to the people of Southern Sudan, in addition
25 to the assistance allocated for the people of Darfur,

1 so that the people of Sudan may experience and ap-
2preciate the benefits of peace;

3 (5) strongly urges the Government of National
4Unity to use the Comprehensive Peace Agreement as
5the basis for negotiation of a peaceful resolution of
6the conflicts in Darfur and other areas of Sudan;
7and

8 (6) strongly urges all countries in the region
9and the international community to support actively
10the full implementation of the Comprehensive Peace
11Agreement.

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