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THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF SUDAN RECEIVED AT THE AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION

Addis Ababa, 12 June 2013: Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, Chairperson of the African Union (AU) Commission, received Mr. Ali Ahmed Karti, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Sudan, with whom she exchanged views on a number of African issues in the light of the collective resolve and endeavor to promote African solutions to Africa's problems in the spirit of African Renaissance.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Sudan also met with Ambassador Ramtane Lamamra, Commissioner for Peace and Security. The discussion covered the challenges facing the actual implementation of the Agreements between the Republic of Sudan and the Republic of South Sudan. In this context, the two interlocutors discussed the urgent proposals that the Chairperson of the AU High-level Implementation Panel (AUHIP), former President Thabo Mbeki, formally conveyed to the Heads of State of the two countries on 9 June 2013, with a view to decisively resolving some crucial implementation issues.

The Commissioner for Peace and Security availed himself of this opportunity to call for an urgent positive response from the two leaders, so that concrete steps can be diligently taken to assist the two parties to address the situation.