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Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See to the United Nations and  
Other International Organizations in Geneva  
during the 32<sup>nd</sup> Special Session of the Human Rights Council  
"On the human rights implications of the ongoing situation in Sudan"  
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Madam President,

In these days, the Holy See has been following with great attention and deep concern the developments of the situation in Sudan.

While insisting that violence is never a legitimate option to resolve differences of opinion, the Holy See urgently calls on all to recognize and uphold the respect for the human dignity and fundamental rights of every person, and to cease from resorting to violence as a means of imposing control.

Indeed, only through the mutual respect of every person's inviolable dignity, in a spirit of fraternal dialogue, can true peace be established, which has as its objective the promotion of integral human development and the common good. Any repression of the right to life, the right to religious freedom, the right to peaceful assembly and the right to express freely and safely one's opinions stands in stark contrast to the establishment of a just society.

Thank you, Madam President.