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Dear members of the Political Bureau of the Sudanese Communist Party,

We refer to your letter dated 14 May 2022, regarding the Sudanese Communist Party's rejection of an invitation to a meeting with the Trilateral Mechanism of the AU-IGAD-UNITAMS, in the context of indirect talks launched on 12 May.

While we understand the first three reasons highlighted in your letter to decline the invitation as these points express your political point of view, we were surprised by fourth point in your letter, alleging our support for impunity in Sudan.

The allegation that we support impunity in the wake of the 25 October 2021 coup is in sharp contrast with our efforts in assisting Sudan to ensure accountability and address impunity in accordance with Security Council Resolution 2579 (2021). These allegations also do not take into consideration our numerous statements, documentation, and appeals, and the continuous monitoring work of the country office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in Sudan and the Human Rights Department of the mission, on the violations of human rights and the advocacy for investigation in order to hold perpetrators accountable.

We reiterate once again our readiness and interest to discuss, provide information, and exchange ideas with you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Volker Perthes".

Volker Perthes

*Under-Secretary-General  
Special Representative of the Secretary-General  
for Sudan and Head of UNITAMS*