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Excellency,

I have the honour to write to you again on behalf of the Panel of Experts on the Sudan established pursuant to Security Council resolution 1591 (2005) and most recently extended by resolution 2200 (2015).

The Panel is grateful for your assistance in obtaining clarification of the position of Hacking Team S.r.l in terms of the possible use of its Remote Control Software in Sudan. Again, the Panel thanks you for your response 213 of 16 January 2015 to our letter (S/AC.47/2014/PE/OC.239) of 23 December 2014 that made it clear that Hacking Team S.r.l currently has no business relations or any agreements that would allow the Sudan or any entity in its territory to use the software. The Panel therefore requested in its letter (S/AC.47/2015/PE/OC.3) of 19 January 2015 to you if the company could provide further clarification as to whether there have been any previous business arrangements or agreements in terms of the use of this technology in the Sudan in the past that may now have elapsed or being terminated. Your response 1029 of 13 March 2015 only confirmed that Hacking Team S.r.l "does not have business relations with Sudan," but did not clarify if the company had had previous business contacts with Sudan post 2005. The Panel sent you a further letter (S/AC.47/2015/PE/OC.23) of 18 March 2015 to request clarification of previous "business relations".

The Panel would therefore still be grateful of your good offices in assisting in obtaining that further information from Hacking Team S.r.l.

Please allow me to underline that the Panel stands ready to comply with the conditions, if any, that your government deems relevant to apply to the use of the information requested by the Panel.

His Excellency
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cc. Hacking Team S.r.l (Fax: +39 02 63118946)

The Panel would sincerely appreciate if your office would kindly direct its response by 30 June 2015 to Ms. Sana Khan, Secretary of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) concerning the Sudan: 2 UN Plaza, Fl 20, Room DC2-2034, United Nations, New York, NY 10017; Tel: 212-963-0981; Fax 212-963-1300; email: khan8@un.org.

Finally, please allow me to thank you in advance for your kind attention and valuable assistance to the Panel.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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