Resolution on the situation in Darfur, Sudan

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution on the situation in Darfur.

The resolution was tabled by the EPP-ED, PES, ALDE, Greens/EFA, GUE/NGL and UEN groups.

The Parliament urges the Government of Sudan to accept a United Nations peacekeeping force in Darfur, under Chapter VII of the UN Charter. It demands that the Sudanese authorities not only pose no obstacles to the deployment and activities of the UN Mission in Darfur but also create the conditions necessary for the effective functioning of that mission. Any failings by the Sudanese authorities in this regard will be sanctioned.

The resolution calls on China and Russia to play a positive role at the UN in efforts to ensure that a UN peacekeeping force can be deployed and to put to good use their role in the region to facilitate the deployment of that mission and prevent any bloodshed. In this regard, it calls on China to build on the joint statement made by China and the EU on 9 September 2006 in which 'leaders emphasised that transition from an AU to a UN led operation would be conducive to the peace in Darfur'.

The Parliament calls for the urgent enforcement of the no-fly zone over Darfur established by UN Security Council Resolution 1591. It also calls for a significant increase in the humanitarian aid provided by the international community to the nearly 3 million people who are totally dependent on international aid for food, shelter and medical care.