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Interactive dialogue with SR on the human rights situation in the Sudan (September 27, 2006)

Statement by India

Mr. President, my delegation would like to thank the Representative special happarlem on the saturation of human in Its in the human for of the Secretary General on the "Human Rights of Internally Displaced has her act."

Persons" Mr. Walter Kaelin for his report. The situation in the Darfur region is a matter of immediate concern that needs to be speedily addressed. In view of the humanitarian situation in Darfur, the Government of India has gifted twenty thousand tongs of wheat worth approximately US \$ 8.3 million to Sudan in 2000.

My delegation would like to see the humanitarian situation and other issues relating to Darfur resolved urgently through a peacefully negotiated solution directly between the parties concerned under the auspices of the African Union sponsored Abuja Process with a view to implementation of the Darfur Peace Accord. The decision of the Government of Sudan to extend the stay of AMIS (African Union Mission in Darfur mandated by the UN) in Darfur is a positive development, which we trust would facilitate a peaceful resolution of the conflict.

Thank You.