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PROVINCE OF EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF SUDAN

STATEMENT AND URGENT APPEAL FOR PEACE IN SUDAN

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God." (Matthew 5:9)

We, the Bishops of the Province of Episcopal Church of Sudan (Anglican), came together for a Retreat in Kampala, Uganda, from 27-29 October 2025. It is the first time we have been able to meet and see each other since the war began in Sudan on 15 April 2023. The aim of this Retreat was to pray, study God's Word, and encourage each other. And more importantly, to pray for our beloved country which has been bleeding for nearly three years.

We reflected on the future of the church in Sudan faced with the current war and political situation, and spent time particularly discussing theological education in Sudan, the ministry of women, youth and children, liturgy and worship, and considering a strategic plan for the coming years.

Due to the ongoing conflict in Sudan and its devastating impact on the security, social and economic conditions affecting the lives of citizens, the Sudanese people are facing a grave situation.

- 1. We call upon all parties to the conflict in Sudan to immediately cease hostilities, which have claimed countless lives and forced large numbers of Sudanese men, women, and children to flee their homes and seek refuge in various cities and countries.
- 2. We believe that this war will not bring peace to Sudan, nor bring development. 'Fire cannot be quenched with fire: only water can make a difference.' We commend the efforts of all groups working to find a path to peace, and urge all warring parties to receive their initiatives and actively engage in a process that can lead to a lasting and comprehensive peace in our country.
- 3. We condemn the countries that are fuelling the war in Sudan. As shepherds of God's people, we express our deep grief and condemnation of the mass killing of civilians in all Sudan, including women and children, and all other atrocities committed by all sides across Sudan.
- 4. We appeal to all sides to open safe humanitarian corridors to facilitate the delivery of essential aid such as medicine and food to those in need.
- 5. We implore the international and regional community to pay urgent attention to the war in Sudan, placing it among their top priorities for diplomatic and humanitarian action.
- 6. The Christian church has an historic responsibility toward promoting peace. We reaffirm, beyond any doubt, that the Episcopal Church of Sudan will remain an active partner in every sincere effort aimed at achieving comprehensive and sustainable peace in Sudan.

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7. The Episcopal Church will continue providing any humanitarian assistance that it can to those affected by the war and will persist in praying for peace, healing, and reconciliation in our nation.

We call on all who sympathise with our situation to continue praying for enduring peace and justice in Sudan.

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