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We the participants of the symposium on the fundamental problems in the Sudan, held in Barcelona, Spain from 23 to 26 September 1995, aware of the fact that only a sustainable peace based on justice, democracy and solidarity can lead to meaningful development and assist in the solution of the fundamental problems of the people of the Sudan.

1. Affirm that the cultural, ethnic, linguistic and religious diversity of the Sudan constitutes a potential wealth of the people of the country and should be given effective constitutional and institutional expression.

2. Agree to encourage the development of projects which promote peace-building among the people of the Sudan, with the aim of establishing a true culture of peace.

3. Condemn all forms of intolerance and totalitarianism.

4. Commit ourselves to pursue the Barcelona dialogue, which aims at reinforcing the peace process undertaken by the Inter-governmental Authority on Drought and Development (IGADD).

5. Express our wish and hope that to end the suffering of the Sudanese people, the arms will be silenced and that frank and peaceful discussions will continue among all parties concerned.

6. Express our thanks to UNESCO and UNDP for this timely initiative, and request the Director General of UNESCO to undertake all actions which could support the peace process.

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UNESCO Culture of Peace Programme 7, Place de Fontenoy 75352 PARIS 07 SP FRANCE Tel (+33.1) 45.68.12.19 Fax (+33.1) 45.68.55.57 7. Register our deepest appreciation to the Government of Spain and the authorities of Catalunya for the excellent facilities provided in the organization of the Symposium.