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Statement by H.E. Mr. Kofi Annan, Chairperson of the Panel of Eminent African Personalities

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Like many, I was surprised by the presence of President Al-Bashir of Sudan in Nairobi for the promulgation of Kenya's new constitution. Kenya has specific obligations as a signatory of the Rome statute and is also co-operating with the International Criminal Court (ICC) on investigations relating to the 2007/8 election violence.

In the circumstances, the Government should clarify its position and reaffirm its cooperation with and commitment to the ICC.

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