

COMMUNITY OF SAHEL SAHARAN STATES (CEN-SAD)
Executive Secretariat



PRESS RELEASE

The Executive Secretariat of CEN-SAD has followed with concern the statements made by YASSER AL-ATTA, Deputy Commander-in-Chief of the Sudanese Armed Forces, on March 23, 2025, in which he affirmed his intention to 'bomb the N'Djamena and Amdjarass airports'.

The Executive Secretariat of CEN-SAD condemns these warlike remarks, which undermine the long-standing good neighbourly relations between the two countries and do not contribute to the ongoing regional and international efforts to find a peaceful solution to the conflict in Sudan.

Furthermore, these remarks come at a time when Marshal MAHAMAT IDRISSE DÉBY ITNO, President of the Republic of Chad and incumbent Chairperson of CEN-SAD, has launched an initiative aimed at promoting peace, constructive dialogue and reconciliation between the parties to the Sudanese conflict.

The Executive Secretariat of CEN-SAD calls on the Sudanese parties to show responsibility by stepping up their efforts to bring about a cessation of hostilities, in a regional context marked by multidimensional challenges, particularly terrorism, massive population displacements, humanitarian crises and multiple forms of insecurity.

In this situation, any inappropriate remarks or accusations against other neighbouring and brotherly States can only serve to escalate the crisis, aggravate the suffering of the civilian population and thus compromise the collective efforts to achieve lasting peace in Sudan.

The Executive Secretariat of CEN-SAD expresses its willingness to support all initiatives aimed at promoting lasting understanding and peace between the two founding members of CEN-SAD, for the stability and prosperity of this Sahel-Saharan region.

Done at N'Djamena on March 24, 2025.

