

Tensions between ethnic communities, including ethnic Arabs and ethnic Masalit, which are not new in Darfur,

Special Adviser Wairimu Nderitu also insisted that impunity for serious violations of international human rights, of genocide and related atrocity crimes, or of their incitement, constitutes a risk factor for commission of further atrocity crimes.

Impunity can constitute a trigger for further violations and can undermine any effort to strengthen protection for those most in need. It is essential that both national actors and the international community spare no effort in their support of full accountability for human rights violations in the country, stated the Special Adviser, noting that this includes support to the work of the International Criminal Court Prosecutor in Darfur, which she considers instrumental in this direction.

Special Adviser Wairimu Nderitu reiterated her call on the people of Sudan, leaders, civil society, and young people alike to work together to enhance trust-building and social cohesion throughout the country. She also renewed her call on religious leaders and other actors to use their voices to speak out against hate and to stand in solidarity with the affected communities, in line with the Fez Plan of Action, as well as on tech and social media companies to utilize all tools available to stop the spread of incitement and hatred on their platforms, as stressed in the UN Strategy and Plan of Action on Hate Speech.

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