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FROM: Khartoum

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 115, January 1, 5 p.m.

1456-1-2, Azhari, ~~US~~ ^{US} Recognition
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Reference: DEPTTEL 38, December 30, received USLO after 9
December 31.

In anticipation of letter of recognition I made preliminary contacts with my British colleague and appropriate Sudan officials re appropriate time of presentation. British felt appropriate time was after symbolic lowering of flags of condominium. Sudanese felt appropriate time would be at Prime Minister's meeting scheduled with foreign liaison officers for 0930 hours January 1, immediately after lowering of flags. By midnight letter of recognition not (repeat not) received and USLO sent unnumbered telegram January 1 requesting advise.

At 0800 hours January 1 Condomini recognized independence Sudan and at 0900 hours ceremony held at palace lowering British and Egyptian flags and raising the Sudan flag. At 0930 hours the liaison officers were requested to meet the Prime Minister. Prime Minister noted that the independence of Sudan was complete and that he was approaching the liaison officers re recognition. I was aware from contacts that several of my colleagues were ready to present letters of recognition. In absence of receipt of formal letter of recognition I had recourse to DEPTTEL 38 and when my turn came noted that I had telegram authorizing me "make US recognition known promptly following attainment of independence by Sudan" and that I would seek an appropriate time to present formal letter of recognition, which I had been informed was on the way and the text of which I expected shortly. The Indian, Ethiopian and Lebanese liaison officers presented letters of recognition. The Belgian, French and German liaison officers read telegraphic messages of recognition. The Italian liaison officer had no instructions but said he expected authority to recognize shortly.

USLO has rechecked telegraph office to try to discover some trace of the missing telegram carrying the text of letter of recognition

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-2- 115, January 1, 5 p.m., from Khartoum.

US recognition now identified as DEPTTEL 39 but without result. In the absence of the text of the letter of recognition USIO believes that its action in falling back on terms of DEPTTEL 38 to notify the fact of recognition was the only course possible. The way is also paved for presentation of the formal text of letter of US recognition when received.

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