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NINTH ASSEMBLY, UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA Resolution 00.61

The Assembly resolved:

- 00.61.01 to express admiration to the New Sudan Council of churches for their courageous work towards reconciliation and peace in New Sudan, assuring them of our support;
- 00.61.02 recognising the violence inherent in the imposition of a “jihad” or “holy war” in Sudan and the ambiguity of political and military responses which tear people apart, to convey to the Sudanese community in Australia our continuing support to them as they seek to rebuild lives, find employment, ensure schooling for their children and maintain their cultural roots as Sudanese people;
- 00.61.03 to encourage members of the Uniting Church, its Congregations and Presbyteries, to continue their pastoral and practical support to the Sudanese community in Australia;
- 00.61.04 to welcome the formation of the Sudanese People’s Liberation Movement (Australian Chapters), and commit ourselves to work with them, the National Council of Churches, and other supporting organisations, in the continuing struggle to create a peaceful society characterized by freedom, democracy, fundamental human rights and the dignity and respect of all persons, regardless of race, sex or religion;
- 00.61.05 to stand in solidarity with the Sudanese People’s Liberation Movement Australian Chapters as they:
 - draw international attention to the pain of the Southern Sudan, including Southern Kordofan (Nuba Mountains) and southern Blue Nile (Ingessena);
 - support the organisation essential to the reconstruction of communities in SPLM administered areas in Sudan;
 - work towards the liberation of their people and the creation of a safe and peaceful community.