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Global Peacebuilding Association of Japan (GPAJ) and
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Online ZOOM 48th Briefing Seminar

Tuesday, 2 March, 10:00-11:30 hours (Tokyo)
Monday, 1 March, 20:00-21:30 hours (New York)

***The United Nations and African Union Hybrid Peace Operation in Darfur:
Transitional Challenges from Peacekeeping to Peacebuilding***

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Former UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator in Sudan
Deputy Special Representative for United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire

Tokyo
Time

- 10:00 Opening remarks by Mr. Yasushi Akashi, Special Advisor of GPAJ
- 10:05 Introduction of the guest speaker by Ms. Arbenita Sopaj, Member of GPAJ
- 10:10 Presentation (20 minutes)
“The United Nations African Union Hybrid Operation in Darfur:
Transition from Peacekeeping to Peace Building in Darfur”
- Mr. Babacar Cissé, ASG for UNAMID
- 10:30 Comment by 2~3 panelists
- 11:00 Discussion with GPAJ members moderated by Mr. Sukehiro Hasegawa, President of GPAJ
- 11:30 Announcement for the next event
- 11:40 End of the Seminar

To attend the meeting, please send an email message to the organizer: Ms. Arbenita Sopaj
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Mr. M'Baye Babacar Cissé, a national of Senegal, is Assistant Secretary-General for the African Union-United Nations hybrid operation in Darfur (UNAMID). Prior to this assignment, he served as the Resident Coordinator/Humanitarian Coordinator ad interim in Sudan. He has served with the United Nations since 1980 in varying capacities including as Deputy Special Representative for the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI), Deputy Assistant Administrator and Deputy Regional Director of the Regional Bureau for Africa at UNDP, Resident Representative and Resident Coordinator in Burkina Faso and UNDP Country Director in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. He has held a number of senior positions at the UNDP Headquarters in New York and undertaken a number of assignments with UNDP, including in Rwanda, Benin, Madagascar and Senegal. He was Deputy to Mr. Sukehiro Hasegawa when he was UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator in Rwanda from 1995-96.