



# UNMIS Press Statement

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## Statement by the Spokesperson's Office

**Khartoum, 01 March 2009.** UNMIS strongly protests today's *Al-Raed* report headlined "Qazi admits UNMIS provided information to the ICC about Sudan". The report is a complete fabrication.

The *Al-Raed* report is a distortion of a recently published Egyptian magazine article entitled "I did not provide the ICC with reports on Al-Bashir -SRSG".

UNMIS questions Al-Raed's motive in misrepresenting the SRSG on so sensitive an issue at this particular time.

UNMIS calls upon *Al-Raed* to correct this flagrant example of misreporting which, in the mission's view, verges on disinformation.

UNMIS has issued a number of previous statements about media misrepresentation of remarks by the SRSG on the ICC issue.

UNMIS has repeatedly urged media to uphold standard journalistic practices and to check with the UNMIS Spokesperson's office when reporting on UNMIS-related matters.

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