

RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION

**To be presented for approval at the
IAWJ Ninth Biennial Conference in Panama City, Panama**

WHEREAS the United Nations Security Council has taken note of reported extensive violations of international human rights, including thousands of casualties of mass rape, forced expulsion, torture, slavery and other assaults on human dignity in Darfur, Sudan

WHEREAS rape, sexual slavery, and other forms of sexual atrocities have been recognized as among the gravest crimes committed in armed conflict,

WHEREAS The International Criminal Court has been invested with authority to investigate and bring to justice individuals who are responsible for the most serious crimes of international concern;

WHEREAS, notwithstanding a peace accord executed by the parties involved in the Darfur conflict, and the assignment of peace-keeping forces of the African Union and the United Nations, human rights violations in Darfur by the Sudanese government and allied militia, continue unabated. An estimated two million Darfur civilians have been killed, displaced, or died of starvation and disease, while tens of thousands of Darfur's women have been raped repeatedly and subjected to gender-based violence on a massive scale,

THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved that, given its long-standing commitment to human rights and protection of the rights of vulnerable populations, the IAWJ collectively expresses its approval of and support for the efforts of the United Nations and the International Criminal Court to bring about an end to the ongoing atrocities against the victimized people of Darfur.