

Gulf Arab leaders on Wednesday welcomed a joint push by Saudi Arabia and the United States to end the war in Sudan, backing a recent pledge by U.S. President Donald Trump to intervene at the request of the Saudi Crown Prince.

In a final communiqué issued at the close of the 46th Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) summit in Bahrain, the leaders voiced support for efforts to restore stability and preserve Sudan's state institutions.

The statement specifically praised Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman for his peace efforts, including talks held during his visit to Washington in November.

Trump pledged on November 19 to work toward ending the conflict after the Crown Prince directly requested his assistance, a move the summit described as a significant step toward resolving the crisis.

The GCC Supreme Council welcomed Trump's announcement that he would work closely with Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Egypt and other partners to achieve a permanent ceasefire.

The leaders also affirmed their support for a Sept. 12 statement by the "Quartet"—comprising Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Egypt and the U.S.—as a practical framework for restoring peace and security.

On the political front, the communiqué emphasized the importance of preserving Sudanese state institutions. It called for a Sudanese-led political process to establish an independent civilian government that excludes "extremist groups and parties that have committed crimes against the Sudanese people."

Regarding the humanitarian crisis, the statement urged the warring factions to protect civilians and facilitate the unimpeded delivery of aid to avert famine, in compliance with international law and the Jeddah Declaration.