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SPLM suggestions to solve Abyei crisis

The SPLM offered three suggestions to the NCP in order to solve the situation in Abyei. Pagan Amum, SPLM Secretary General, revealed the suggestions yesterday in a press conference held at the movement's General Secretariat. He proposed demilitarizing Abyei through a Sudanese Armed Forces and SPLM/A pull back, handing the mission to UNMIS force and establishing a Joint administration from NCP and SPLM to govern the disputed area. He also suggested forming an independent fact-finding commission to investigate the recent incidents. Amum warned earlier that Sudan is on the brink of civil war.

In the same press conference, Amum accused NCP of impeding implementation of the report of the experts committee and upsetting citizens in the region. Responding to Amum's statements, NCP leading member Al-Dardiri Mohamed Ahmed, said that his party regretted Amum's statements that were inconsistent with the spirit of peace agreement and the understanding that prevailed between the Naivasha partners while countering the last attack on Omdurman and called SPLM to resort to reason. (*Sudan Tribune, Sudan Vision et al*)

DUP calls for a national conference

According to a statement to the media by one of the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP) leaders, the party's president, Mohamed Osman Al-Mirghani, has called on all Sudanese political parties to attend a national conference to discuss essential issues that include the comprehensive peace, democratic transformation, Darfur issue and the economic situation in the country. The same source affirmed that a meeting is to take place next month in Cairo between Mirghani and Pagan Amum in order to

discuss the meeting of the National Democratic Alliance (NDA). (*The Citizen*).

Sudan- S. Korea Oil agreement

The Sudanese and S. Korean Presidents are expected to hold today a joint press conference in Seoul at the end of Al-Bashir's official visit. The presidents are expected to announce their agreements on enhancing the cooperation between the two countries in the fields of oil and resources development. The Sudanese Minister of Economy and Finance, Awad Al-Jaz, stated that a group of S. Korean investors is preparing to visit Sudan in the near future. (*Al-Ray Al-Aam et al*)

Egypt handed over rebel representatives

Security authorities in Egypt expelled secretly JEM and SLA (Abdel Wahid Al-Nur) representatives in the country and six other leaders of the two movements after they were arrested. The expulsion came as a response to a request by the Government of Sudan (GOS) to hand the rebels over to it. They were accused by Egypt of calling for a rebellion in Darfur against the GOS. (*Al-Intibaha*)

Deby's envoy asking for Qaddafi's mediation

Chad's Foreign Affairs Minister, Mussa Alfeki Mohamed, met yesterday in Libya with his counterpart, Abdel Rahman Shalgam, asking the Libyan leader to continue his efforts to mediate for reconciliation between Chad and Sudan. The Foreign Minister went to Libya as a special envoy carrying a verbal message from the Chadian President to Qaddafi. (*Ray Al-Shab*)

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