



# SUDAN MORNING NEWS

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### **Omdurman attackers sentenced to death**

On July 29, the Criminal Court of Omdurman sentenced to death eight members of the Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) who took part in the May 10 attack on Omdurman. According to Muez Hadra, the detainees' lawyer, three trials were still ongoing, including that of Abdul Aziz Al-Nur Oshar, a senior commander in the JEM. (*Rai-Al-Shaab, Al-Khartoum, et al*)

### **Nafie addresses Darfur youth at symposium**

Dr. Nafie Ali Nafie, Presidential Advisor to President Al-Bashir, addressed the youth of Darfur at a symposium entitled "The mechanism of the youth of Darfur to oppose the allegations of ICC." Nafie affirmed the government's commitment in implementing the Abuja Agreement and emphasized the role of the people of Darfur in opposing the ICC prosecutor's allegations, requesting them to adopt a common stance to solve the crisis internally. He also added that defeating foreign agendas should be the Sudanese people's first priority and that Ocampo's accusations should not only be suspended but dropped altogether because they were groundless. Nafie also touched on the issue of immigration to Israel, stating that it insulted the people of Sudan, those of Darfur in particular. (*Al-Khartoum, Al-Watan, Sudan Vision*)

### **Sudan receives Arab Parliament statement**

Sudanese President Al-Bashir received the final statement of the Interim Arab Parliament meeting which was held in Khartoum to discuss the accusations of the International Criminal Court Prosecutor Luis-Moreno Ocampo. Dr. Mansour Al-

Zindani, secretary to the Arab Parliament, revealed that the statement called on all Arab States to mobilize their efforts to support Sudan's position towards the ICC issue. Meanwhile, Abbas Al-Biati, an Iraqi Member of Parliament and a member of the Arab Parliament, affirmed that Sudan could overcome its crisis through political dialogue. Al-Biati also added that Darfur was a national issue and should be addressed by Sudan alone. Other members of the parliamentary league pointed out that Al-Bashir's recent visit to Darfur confirmed the goodwill of the Sudanese government and affirmed the position of Arab nations in opposing his possible indictment. (*Al-Khartoum, Al-Sharii-Al-Siyasi, Sudan Vision*)

### **Minnawi confirms his commitment to the DPA**

Mini Minnawi, the SLM faction leader and Senior Presidential Assistant, sent a message to President Al-Bashir confirming his commitment to the Darfur Peace Agreement and informing him that he would be returning to Khartoum soon. President Al-Bashir reiterated the government's commitment in reinforcing peace and stability in Darfur. The president's announcement came in a meeting with a delegation from the Darfur Interim Authority yesterday. (*Al-Khartoum, Al-Sharii Al-Siyasi, Al-Wifaq*)

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