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Darfur prosecutor probes war crimes

Newly appointed Darfur Prosecutor General, Nimir Ibrahim Mohammed, has announced his plan to open all pending Darfur files, including that of Ahmed Kushayb, accused by the International Criminal Court (ICC) for his role in the genocide in Darfur. The prosecutor will transfer cases to a special court that will conduct investigations through a special committee appointed for this purpose. Mohammed also revealed an imminent visit to Darfur along with the committee to probe the Darfur file. (*Al-Ahdath, Akher Lahza*)

East Sudan at risk of war

“Eastern Sudan may be at risk of war if its Eastern front soldiers are not paid and given training to reintegrate into the society,” warned Presidential Adviser Amna Dirar, one of the leaders of the Eastern Front which fought Khartoum. Dirar announced that more than 2,000 soldiers have been waiting in camps to be disarmed, demobilized and reintegrated into society. She warned that the soldiers were getting frustrated and might return to war again if the government did not allocate funds for development projects and training for these soldiers to pursue normal livelihoods. “We are the most marginalized of the marginalized,” said Dirar. (*Khartoum Monitor, Citizen*)

SLM, JEM behind attacks on UNAMID troops

According to *Sudan Vision*, the Sudan Liberation Movement (SLM) and the Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) were behind last month’s attack on UNAMID troops in North Darfur, which resulted in the death of seven peacekeepers. An SLM rebel, Mohammed Da’oud, who had recently returned from Chad, planned the ambush, the daily said. Informed sources told *Sudan Vision* that Da’oud

had previously met with JEM leader Khalil Ibrahim to discuss the operation. The attack was aimed at seizing UNAMID vehicles and smuggle them into Chad to be sold in the town of Bahai.

UNDP reports on rising AIDS cases in Sudan

A recent report by the UNDP mentioned that AIDS was on the rise in Sudan, reaching up to 350,000 cases. Meanwhile, the Sudanese Ministry of Health has announced that it was facing challenges in confronting the disease and stopping it from spreading. (*Al-Intibaha, Akher Lahza*)

Press Council concerned over ethnicity issues

The National Publications and Press Council in Khartoum has expressed concern about those Arabic and English newspapers that publish articles that incite tribalism and ethnic tension, declaring that this will result in hostility among the people of Sudan at a time when maximum efforts should be exerted to support the Comprehensive Peace Agreement. The council urged the concerned authorities to take the necessary measures to discourage this type of reporting and to ask papers to comply with laws and regulations for the sake of the country’s unity. (*Sudan Vision*)

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