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Sudan keen on normalizing its ties with Chad

Ali Al-Sadig, the Spokesperson of the Sudanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), said that "Sudan is not responsible for the growing tension in Sudanese-Chadian bilateral relations." Al-Sadig was responding to a remark made by the Qatari Prime Minister with regards to Qatar's efforts to "promote the bilateral ties between Sudan and Chad." Al-Sadig also added that "Sudan was keen on maintaining a normal relationship with Chad" and stated that "the current coolness in the relationship with Chad is a result of N'Djamena's notion that Sudan is involved with its Chadian rebel movement near the eastern border." (*Rai-Al-Shaab*)

Nur's visit to Israel "confirms GoS suspicions"

MFA's Ali Al-Sadig told reporters in a press conference that Sudan Liberation Movement (SLM) faction leader AbdulWahid Mohamed Nur's "request for military support from Israel" confirms the Government of Sudan's (GoS) suspicions of "Israel's involvement with the armed rebel movements in Darfur." (Rai-Al-Shaab, The Citizen, Al-Ahdath)

Bassole calls for support for the Doha peace talks

Speaking at a press conference at the Emiri Diwan in Doha on Tuesday, the Joint United Nations-African Union Chief Mediator on Darfur Djibril Bassole called on the international community and Sudan's neighbouring countries to extend their support to the peace talks in Doha. Bassole asserted the importance of achieving "sustainable peace" in Sudan, stating that he will "intensify his efforts with other rebel movements" and civil society in Darfur. (Sudan News Agency)

Nafie: Abuja remains unaffected by Doha talks

Sudanese Presidential Advisor Nafie Ali Nafie confirmed that "the declaration of goodwill signed in Doha between the GoS and the Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) will not affect or contradict with the Abuja Agreement by any means." (*Al-Ahdath*)

Nur: Doha agreement will prolong suffering

SLM faction leader AbdulWahid Mohammed Nur said that the goodwill agreement in Doha would "bring more suffering to the people of Darfur, especially the displaced and the refugees." Nur also claimed that the two parties are "trying to implement their own personal agendas rather than being concerned with the plight of Darfuris." He further opined that "the Sudanese government must disarm its militias and observe a ceasefire before signing an agreement." (SudanTribune.com)

UNAMID condemns recent clashes in Darfur

A commander from UNAMID's hybrid forces, Martin Luther Agwai, has condemned recent clashes between the Sudan Armed Forces (SAF) and armed rebel movements in Wad'aa locality, North Darfur. Agwai said that the humanitarian situation in the area was deteriorating and needed immediate assistance. Meanwhile, UNAMID's spokesperson, Nureddine Al-Mazni, confirmed that a fact-finding committee from the Mission had inspected the area and confirmed the damage. (*Radio Miraya FM*)

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