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Chad prepares to attack Sudan

The Chadian Ministry of Defense threatens that it will launch new attacks on Sudan in the next few hours to intercept what it called likely fresh attacks by Chadian rebels in the country's eastern borders. Meanwhile, the Sudanese Ministry of Defense declared its preparedness to crush any attacks on its soil. The Sudanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs said that the policy of self control does not mean weakness on the side of the Sudanese Government. *Al_Ray Alaam, Al-Sahafa*

Obama Administration to hold CPA conference

The Obama Administration intends to hold a conference on the Comprehensive Peace Agreement in June in Washington under the auspices of Vice President John Biden. Sudanese First Vice President Silva Kiir Mayardit and Vice President Ali Osman Taha are scheduled to attend the conference. Special Envoy General Scott Gration is expected to arrive in Khartoum on May 29 [*sic*] to arrange for the conference. The article mentions that another meeting between Kiir; Taha; and Khalil Ibrahim, leader of the Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) is also expected to be held in Washington to push for peace in Darfur. *Al-Sahafa, Al-Sudani*

National Assembly passes press and publications law in the first reading

The National Assembly passed yesterday the press and publications law in its second draft stage. Representatives of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement (SPLM) and the National Coalition boycotted the session and withdrew before the Assembly passed the law. The Assembly's leader,

Ahmed Ibrahim Altahir, described the members who had withdrawn as escaping their responsibilities. *Al-Ayyam, Sudan Vision*

Kiir: Rejection of the census will lead to fighting

The First Vice President Silva Kiir Mayardit said that steadfast rejection of the last population census will lead to renewed fighting and war, and will result in the loss of peace dividends. Kiir stressed the gains achieved through peace and the efforts put into the holding of the referendum. He declared that the Government of Southern Sudan (GoSS) is keen on collecting weapons from citizens in order to maintain security and foster development in the South. *Al-Khartoum*

NCP slams SPLM suspicions over census results

The National Congress Party (NCP) reiterated that the formation of electoral districts has been decided by the National Elections Committee according to population density. An NCP source said that calling for cancellation of the results of the fifth census would lead to postponing the general elections. The source added that the census results that the SPLM is rejecting has been conducted by officials from the South under the umbrella of the Government of National Unity. *Al-Wifag, Al-Ahdath*

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