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## GoS requests France to adopt “clear” stance

The Government of Sudan (GoS) has requested France to adopt a clear position towards the peace process in Darfur by supporting reconciliation efforts of the concerned parties in the Doha talks. (*Al-Wifaq, Al-Ayam*)

## JEM rejects U.S. Proposal for a cease-fire

The Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) said that it has rejected a recent proposal by the U.S. Special Envoy to Sudan General Scott Gration to re-instate an immediate cease-fire and to return to the negotiation table in Doha with the GoS. (*Al-Ayam*)

## Darfur non-signatories agree to join Doha talks

Amin Hassan Omer, chairperson of the Sudanese delegation for peace negotiations in Doha, was informed by the joint mediator of the UN/AU mission in Darfur, Djibril Bassolé, that the Darfur non-signatory movements have expressed their readiness to join the talks in Doha to negotiate peace in Darfur. Deliberations over the negotiations between the Government and the Darfuri armed movements have already started in Libya at the African summit. Omer has reiterated GoS’s “unwavering” commitment to negotiate with any movement that has the desire to do so. (*Sudan News Agency*)

## NCP criticizes Qaddafi over support to S. Sudan

The National Congress Party (NCP), with regard to the referendum for self-determination in 2011, has criticized Libyan leader Qaddafi for promising to “support South Sudan if it were to opt for separation.” NCP member Rabi’e Abdelatti stated that “the Libyan leader was meddling in Sudan’s internal affairs” and

that “this could affect Sudan's relationship with Libya.” (*MirayaFM*)

## GoS asks public to accept ruling on Abyei

GoS has started preparing its citizens for the forthcoming decision by the Abyei Arbitration Tribunal, assigned to issue a ruling over the north-south border dispute in Abyei. According to Ministry of Foreign Affairs Spokesperson Ali Al-Sadig, “both partners have agreed on accepting the court’s verdict, and the Sudanese public is requested to do the same.” (*Al-Wifaq*)

## SPLM denies knowledge of elections postponement

The Secretary-General of the Sudan People’s Liberation Movement (SPLM) Pagan Amum claimed that “SPLM was not informed of the recent decision by the National Elections Commission to postpone the elections.” Amum said that “SPLM will deliberate on the postponement and then formulate a final position.” (*Khartoum Monitor*)

## French Members of Parliament to visit Sudan

Two French members of Parliament are expected in Khartoum from July 4 through 10 to meet with Sudanese counterparts. The visit aims to promote parliamentary exchange and to boost bilateral relations between Sudan and France. The French delegation will also visit Darfur to meet with UNAMID and humanitarian organizations and with Government of Southern Sudan officials in Juba. (*Al-Sahafa, Khartoum Monitor*)

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