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Darfur movements given one day to unify stance

Qatari peace mediators gave the Darfur movements one day to reach a common stance, stressing that the Darfur armed movements had been given enough time to adopt a unified viewpoint. (*Al-Watan*)

Ghazi Salahuddin meets with Chadian FM

Sudanese Presidential Advisor Ghazi Salahuddin met with Chadian Foreign Minister Musa Faki on the sidelines of the peace talks currently being held in Doha. The two senior officials met to discuss bilateral ties and arrangements for implementation of the recently revived security agreement signed between Sudan and Chad. (*Al-Ahdath*)

Chadian military delegation to visit Khartoum

A Chadian military delegation, headed by the Chadian Minister of Defense, will soon visit Khartoum to discuss final arrangements regarding a duly signed Sudan-Chad security protocol to control joint borders and to ban activities along the border by armed opposition groups. (*Al-Watan*)

SAF accuses UNAMID of supporting JEM

Al-Sawarmi Khalid, a spokesperson from the Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF), accused the United Nations / African Union Mission in Darfur (UNAMID) of supplying the Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) with six ZY trucks loaded with food materials. According to Khalid, the company that rents trucks to UNAMID informed the El-Fasher police that their vehicles had been stolen by JEM elements. El-Fasher police, however, indicate that UNAMID denies the incident. Khalid publicly announced that this contradiction shows "clear cooperation" between UNAMID and JEM. (*Sudan, News Agency, Al-Intibaha*)

Conference to encourage Arab investment in the South

An Arab League conference on investment and development will be held in Southern Sudan on February 23 to encourage Arab investors to consider business enterprises in Southern Sudan. Sudan's Ambassador to Egypt, Abdel-Rahman Sir El-Khitm stressed that "attracting Arab investors into the south is a strategic move that will secure stability for the region. El-Khitm added that this was in compliance with the stipulations of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA). Minister of Foreign Trade in the Government of Southern Sudan (GoSS) Benjamin Marial commended the Arab League's initiative, stating that these investments would open up more job opportunities for southerners. (*MirayaFM*)

SJU concerned by NISS summoning chief editors

The Sudanese Journalists Union (SJU) expressed concern over the summoning of a number of Editors-in-Chief of several local newspapers by the National Security and Intelligence Service (NISS) with regard to the articles that speculate about involvement by high-level government officials in allowing hazardous wastes to enter the country. A press release issued by SJU defended the media's responsibility to report on such issues and expressed its appreciation of the role Sudan's media play during this critical stage in the history of the country. (*Sudan Vision, Al-Watan*)

North Darfur declares food gap in the region

(*Al-Intibaha, Al-Ahdath*)

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