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Kiir accuses NCP of encouraging secession

Sudanese First Vice President and President of the Government of South Sudan (GOSS) Salva Kiir Mayardit accuses the ruling National Congress Party (NCP) of imposing policies "which make unity less attractive for the people of South Sudan." *Sudantribune.com* quotes Kiir as remarking to an Egyptian TV channel in an exclusive interview that "Sudan could be a strong power if it remains one country ... South is not seeking division ... the regime in Khartoum is the one forcing the division."

Al-Mahdi describes Al-Bashir's re-election as a "Western plan to hold Sudan under its foothold"

Umma Party leader Al-Sadig Al-Mahdi accuses the United States and other western powers of implementing a plot to help re-elect Al-Bashir in order to have Sudan held under a strong foothold. Al-Mahdi claims that Al-Bashir's weak international position allows these superpowers to have power over Sudan which, in turn, helps serve their interests. (*Al-Sahafa*)

Umma Party/Reform and Development accepts elections results

Leading member of the Umma Party for Reform and Development member Al-Zahawi Ibrahim Malik affirmed that his party is committed to the results of the elections and respects the will of the Sudanese people. Malik noted that the coming phase in Sudan will require a lot of effort and solidarity for a bright future for Sudan. (*Sudan News Agency*)

Lam Akol to resort to court to refute election results

Sudan People's Liberation Movement-Democratic Change (SPLM-DC) Leader and Government of Southern Sudan (GOSS) presidential candidate Lam Akol refused to accept the recently announced election results for the position of GOSS president. Akol told reporters in a press conference yesterday that the election results were rigged and that he intended to refute the results in a court of law. (*Al-Ayam*)

Mbeki urges Naivasha partners to implement remaining CPA provisions

Speaking at a meeting in Juba, Chairman of the African Union High Panel on Sudan, Thabo Mbeki, urged the two Naivasha partners, National Congress Party (NCP) and the Sudan People's Liberation Movement (SPLM) to expedite implementation of the remaining provisions of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA). (*MirayaFM*)

Border Demarcation Committee resumes its delineation process

The Border Demarcation Committee for defining the 1956 north and South Sudan borders has resumed its activity after being delayed by technical challenges for some time. The committee's Chairman Abdallah Al-Sadig told reporters in a press conference that the the data collection phase was over and that the committee was about to enter a practical phase that included an aerial and ground survey followed by the actual delineation of the borders separating the Blue Nile State (in the north) from Unity State (in the south). (*Al-Sahafa, Sudan News Agency*)

Sudan to represent Chairmanship of the IMF African Group

Sudan has been elected to represent the Chairmanship of the first African Group of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), which includes 19 African States. (*Sudan Vision*)

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