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Al-Bashir call his victory in the elections “a blow against Sudan enemies”

Addressing a mass rally in Khartoum yesterday, newly re-elected Sudanese President Omer Al-Bashir said that “his victory in the presidential elections was a blow to all of Sudan’s enemies expecting chaos after the announcement of the election results in Sudan.” Al-Bashir hailed the Sudanese people for conducting peaceful and smooth elections in Sudan, pledging to implement all the projects he had promised during his campaign. (*Sudan News Agency*)

Leading SPLM member says “opposition failed to provide an alternate to NCP’s candidate”

Leading member of the Sudan People’s Liberation Movement (SPLM) Mansur Khalid strongly criticized opposition parties who ran for the recent elections in Sudan claiming that they failed to provide an alternate to the candidate of the National Congress Party (NCP), incumbent Sudanese President Al-Bashir. “Instead of coming up with a convincing program, they focus on competing for power,” stated the SPLM official. (*Al-Raed*)

South Sudan protests movements by Northern troops in border areas

Sudanese Vice President of the Government of National Unity (GONU) and President of the Government of Southern Sudan (GOSS) Salva Kiir Mayardit expressed his concern to President Omar Hassan Al-Bashir over Sudan Armed Forces (SAF) military activities on the south-north borders. Al-Bashir noted that SAF forces had no intention of creating friction with Southern armed forces and urged the two armies to abandon any form of activities that may give rise to tension between the two forces. (*Sudantribune.com*)

Ban Ki-Moon calls for ICC jurisdictions to be enforced

United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon urges the International Criminal Court (ICC) to enforce its jurisdiction on perpetrators of war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide, a step he described as necessary to ensure that these individuals do not go unpunished. The UN official made his statement on Friday while speaking at a meeting in New York on the challenges of international criminal justice. He described the ICC as central to the international justice system, calling on ICC member states to ratify the ICC Rome Statute. (*Al-Sudani, MirayaFM*)

JEM threatens to go back to using violence

Sudanese Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) in Kordofan who had recently signed a cease-fire agreement with the Government of Sudan threatened to go back to war if their demands were not met. A leading JEM member Siddig Al-Shami, stated that the ruling National Congress Party was not serious about honoring its agreements with JEM and has continuously put off implementing the cease-fire agreement. (*Al-Watan*)

Sudanese political party demands Referendum be called off

In a press conference held yesterday in Khartoum, a Sudanese political party known as the Liberation Party demanded calling off the Southern Sudan 2011 Referendum for self-determination. According to the party, all current signs indicate that the “Referendum will lead to the ultimate split between the South and the North.” (*Al-Sahafa*)

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