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Libyan authorities allow JEM leader entry to Tripoli

Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) leader Khalil Ibrahim arrived in Tripoli yesterday after being refused entry by airport authorities in N'Diamena. Chadian authorities barred Ibrahim from entering their country and confiscated the Chadian passports of the JEM leader and those accompanying him on the trip. JEM spokesperson Adam Hussain Adam pointed out that Khalil Ibrahim headed to Tripoli after receiving a call from Libyan officials. Adam stated that the mediators in Qatar were responsible for securing Khalil Ibrahim's return to his base in Darfur, warning that "if Khalil is not allowed to join his forces in Darfur it would jeopardize peace talks in Doha." The Sudanese government praised the Chadian authorities for preventing Khalil Ibrahim from entering N'Djamena. According to press reports, Sudanese President Omer Al-Bashir thanked his Chadian counterpart President Idriss Deby by phone for taking this step. Al-Bashir on his part stressed the desire of the Sudanese government to promote and develop the fraternal ties between the two countries. JEM officials, on the other hand, condemned the Chadian government's decision, accusing N'Diamena of conspiring against the people of Darfur. (Sudantribune.com, Alwan)

JEM leader will not return to negotiations in Doha

JEM leader Khalil Ibrahim declared he would not return to Darfur peace negotiations in Doha, accusing the mediators of being biased and unfair. (*Al-Ahram*)

UNAMID to submit report on Darfur to UNSC

Special Representative of the United Nations and African Union Mission in Darfur (UNAMID) Ibrahim Gambari is scheduled to conduct a briefing today before the members of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) on the latest developments in Darfur. (*Al-Ahram, Sudan News Agency*)

Egyptian Irrigation Minister holds talks in Khartoum

Egyptian Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources, Mohamed Nasr-Eddin Allam, arrived in Khartoum yesterday to hold consultations with Sudanese officials regarding cooperation by Egypt and Sudan on Nile Basin issues. (Sudan News Agency, AlTayar)

Experts: Nile Dam construction will not affect Egypt and Sudan water shares

Experts say that construction of dams in Ethiopia and Uganda will not affect Egypt's or Sudan's Nile water shares. This announcement comes contrary to recent fears by the two countries that any dams built upstream would decrease water flow to Egypt and Sudan. Allam asserted that "any project that takes away from the river's flow has to be approved by Egypt and Sudan in accordance with international treaties." (*Radio Miraya*)

GoS condemns abduction of Samaritan's Purse workers

The Government of Sudan (GoS) denounced the recent abduction of three humanitarian aid employees who worked for the Samaritan's Purse, a U.S. non-governmental humanitarian aid organization in Darfur. Federal Minister for Humanitarian Affairs Abdel Bagi Jailani said authorities in Darfur were actively tracking down the abductors, stating they had information that the perpetrators were around the area surrounding Ad Al-Fursan locality in South Darfur. (*Al-Ayam*)

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