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## **Egypt seeks clarification from Sudan on remarks attributed to FM Karti**

Hussam Zaki, a spokesperson from Egypt's Foreign Ministry disclosed that Cairo had requested a "clarification" from Khartoum with regard to the recent remarks made by new Sudanese Foreign Minister Ali Karti in a press conference last week, stating that Egypt's engagement in Sudan issues was "weak." Zaki added that the Egyptian Foreign Minister Ahmed Aboul-Gheit had asked Egypt's ambassador in Khartoum to obtain an explanation from the government about Karti's remarks. An unnamed senior Sudanese official told London based *Al-Hayat* newspaper that Karti's remarks had been "misinterpreted." (*Sudantribune.com*)

*Al-Sahafa* cited that extensive communication between Khartoum and Cairo is underway to clear the current misunderstanding between the two countries.

## **Egyptian Minister of Water Resources Arrives in Khartoum**

Egyptian Minister of Water Resources and Irrigation, Mohamed Nasr-Eddin Allam, arrived in Khartoum yesterday. The Egyptian official was received by his Sudanese counterpart Kamal Ali Mohamed. The two parties will discuss issues pertaining to the Nile Water Basin. (*Sudan News Agency, Al-Ra-Al-Aam*)

## **Liberation and Justice Movement requests postponement on negotiations for obtaining expert viewpoint on wealth sharing**

Darfur peace mediators in Doha postponed a scheduled negotiation session to a later date, based on a request by Liberation and Justice Movement to obtain experts' perspective on the issue of wealth sharing, one of the main items on the negotiation agenda. (*Akhbar Al-Youm*)

## **NCP asks Libya to convince JEM to join talks**

Sudanese National Congress Party (NCP) requested Libya to pressure Justice and Equality Movement leader Khalil Ibrahim into joining the current round of Darfur peace talks in Doha. (*Al-Intibaha, Akhbar Al-Youm*)

## **Minnawi consults his participation in current government with officials**

Mini Arco Minnawi, Leader of the Sudan Liberation Movement (SLM)/Minnawi faction is currently in Khartoum to negotiate with Sudanese government officials about his participation in the new government. (*Akhbar Al-Youm*)

## **Pagan Amum: "America promises to recognize the South as an independent state"**

Secretary-General of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement Pagan Amum, who is currently in the United States, asserted that he had received confirmation from various U.S. officials that America would immediately recognize the South as an independent State should the referendum results be in favor of secession. (*Al-Sudani*)

## **SPLM Arman says that Sudan may request the United Nations to manage Abyei Referendum**

(*Al-Wefaq*)

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