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Major rubrics:

- **Top Stories from the Sudanese Press**
- **Articles from the International Press**

U.S. - Sudan Relations

- **“U.S. House of Representatives passes bill on Sudan sanctions” (Khartoum Monitor)**
- **“Congress OKs sanctions on Sudan over Darfur” (Sudan Tribune)**
- **“Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs Begins Process of Restricting Americans’ Movements in Khartoum” (Akhir Lahza)**

Controversy Over UN Forces Deployment

- “UN begins amassing troops, Sweden and Norway are the first contributors” (Al-Adwaa)
- “AU force warns of consequences of sending troops to Darfur without the consent of the GOS” (Al-Sahafa)
- “Al-Bashir receives message from UNSYG Annan and AU Commissioner Konare regarding support for AU forces” (Al-Sahafa)
- “Agreement reached over merger of 5,000 Darfur rebels into the armed forces” (Al-Sudani)
- “Ethiopia expresses support for Sudan’s position on Darfur” (Al-Adwaa)
- “African and European countries express tentative willingness to participate in UN forces in Darfur” (Al-Intibaha)
- “Attempts to refer Darfur to Geneva-based Human Rights Council aborted” (Sudan Vision)
- “UN’s Pronk rejects Security Council’s collision course” (The Citizen)

Other Darfur News

- “Government announces commencement of Darfur recommendation” (Sudan Vision)
- “Sudan Lawyers’ Union SecGen calls for Jan Pronk’s expulsion from Sudan” (The Citizen)
- “Minnawi urges non-signatories to join the deal” (Sudan Tribune)

Other Headlines

- “Yassir Arman of the SPLM condemns security police; SPLM accuses the police of violating the Interim Constitution” (Al-Sahafa)
- “State Minister of the Interior says police are still operating with a ‘war mentality’ ” (Al-Intibaha)
- “National Assembly vows to activate its regulatory role on security” (Al-Intibaha)
- “Member of the States’ Assembly says security violations are result of the exceptional conditions the country is going through” (Al-Addwaa)

Leading Commentaries

- “Warning signs are gathering” (Noting UN preparations for deploying troops to Darfur, as well as opposition to this deployment, editor Mahgoub Salih argues that GOS cannot isolate itself by continually rejecting UN forces, but should look for a unified vision that includes all the country’s political forces.) (Al-Ayaam)*
- “Budget of War (Against the citizen?) (Column criticizes the Ministry of Finance for labeling the 2007 budget a ‘Budget for War.’ All budgets have been, and will continue to be, budgets of war against the normal citizen, who faces many hardships, according to the column.) (Al-Sudani)

- “No to international forces, no to Resolution 1706 (Column argues that the international community could be of more assistance to the Sudan if it continues to provide humanitarian assistance instead of amassing troops.) (Sudan Vision)*

Articles from the International Press (Hyperlinks)

(Right-click the title and choose “Open Hyperlink”)

[U.N. tells Sudan it sending military help to Darfur](#)

The United Nations told Sudan on Tuesday it was sending military experts to Darfur to help the under-equipped African Union force, a move that needs Khartoum's support, officials said.

Reuters, September 26, 2006

[US Congress Approves Sudan Sanctions](#)

Legislation imposing sanctions against the government of Sudan and Arab militia responsible for killing tens of thousands of people in Darfur, has been approved by Congress. The House of Representatives approved a measure passed earlier by the Senate, as lawmakers urged intensified U.S. and international efforts to overcome Sudanese government resistance to a U.N. force for Darfur.

VOA News, September 26, 2006

[International Community Credibility at Stake in Ending Darfur Crisis, says International Crisis Group](#)

The African Union agreed Monday to expand and extend its peacekeeping force in Darfur. The AU Peace and Security Council meeting in New York approved extending the mission until the end of the year and increasing the number of troops by 4,000 to 11,000. The United Nations will fund the AU mission, but Sudan remains strongly opposed to any UN takeover of the mission in Darfur. Don Steinberg is vice-president for multi-lateral affairs for the International Crisis Group. From New York, he spoke to VOA English to Africa Service reporter Joe De Capua about the effects of the AU decision.

VOA News, September 26, 2006

[Top Sudanese official points at possible compromise over U.N. peacekeeping efforts for Darfur](#)

The United Nations and Sudan are discussing the deployment of U.N. military advisers to reinforce the African Union peacekeeping mission in Darfur, in a possible compromise in their standoff over the war-torn region, officials from both sides said Tuesday.

AP, September 26, 2006

Blogs on Darfur

International Community Paralyzed By Khartoum

Last week, the Washington Post's online Post Global addressed Khartoum's rejection of plans to send desperately needed U.N. peacekeepers to Darfur, asking "should regional solidarity be allowed to trump human rights needs?" The question makes a grave misapprehension. Sudanese President Omar El Bashir and his allies in the Arab League have indeed cultivated an image of unified opposition, calling the proposed U.N. peacekeeping mission "an effort to re-colonize Sudan" and placing picketers shouting anti-U.N. slogans to greet foreign officials visiting Khartoum.

Washington Post, September 26, 2006

Sudanese Press Websites:

Al-Wihda	www.Alwahada.com
Akhbar Al-Youm	www.akhbaralyoumsd.net
Rai Al-Shaab	www.rayalshaab.info
Al-Watan	www.alwatansudan.com
Al-Shari Al-Siasi	www.sharisiasi.com
Al-Sudani	www.alsudani.info
Al-Khartoum	www.Khartoumnewspaper.com
Sudan News Agency (SUNA)	www.Suna-sd.Net
Sudan Tribune	www.sudantribune.com
Sudan Vision	www.sudanvisiondaily.com

Other Websites for Sudan News:

<http://usinfo.state.gov/usinfo/Archive/2005/May/12-676357.html?chanlid=washfile>

<http://www.state.gov>

<http://allafrica.com>

[Sudan Online](#)

<http://www.sol-sd.com>

<http://www.Sudanmirror.com>

Sudan Radio Service

<http://www.Sudanradio.org>

<http://Sudan.net>

Sudaneseonline.com

<http://www.Sudantribune.com>

<http://smcSudan.net>

www.sudanreeves.org

The African Mission in Sudan

www.amis-sudan.org

IRIN News (UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs--SUDAN page)

http://www.irinnews.org/frontpage.asp?SelectRegion=East_Africa&SelectCountry=Sudan

UN News Centre (SUDAN page)

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/infocusRel.asp?infocusID=88&Body=Sudan&Body1>

Relief Web (SUDAN page)

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/dbc.nsf/doc108?OpenForm&emid=ACOS-636PJQ&rc=1>

Alertnet (SUDAN page)

<http://www.alertnet.org/thenews/emergency/246397.htm>

Humanitarian Information Center for Darfur

<http://www.humanitarianinfo.org/darfur/default>

Al Bab: Khartoum Handbook and Diary

<http://www.coreSudan.com>

Refugees International

<http://www.refugeesinternational.org>

Sudan Information Gateway

United Nations System in the Sudan

www.unsudanig.org

Association for Media Development in South Sudan
www.gurtong.com