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## **NCP and SPLM discuss CPA implementation**

- The National Congress Party (NCP) and Sudan People's Liberation Movement (SPLM) held a series of meetings co-chaired by Vice President Ali Osman Mohamed Taha and Vice President of the Government of South Sudan Dr Riek Machar concerning the implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA). The participants discussed the organization of national trade unions, as well as export and import issues. However, the two partners failed to make any progress regarding the controversy surrounding the Abyei region, including the operations of the Nile Petroleum Co. in the South. The two parties are scheduled to meet again on May 24 to discuss unresolved issues. (*Al-Sahafa, Al-Rai Al-Aam, et al*)

## **Sudan Honors Commitments made to the UN**

- Sudan's Permanent Representative to the UN, Abd Al-Mahmoud Abd Al-Halim, stated yesterday that Sudan has honored its commitment to moving ahead with the agreed upon UN First and Second Support Packages to AU forces in Darfur. Sudan is also committed to its agreements with international organizations regarding the provision of humanitarian assistance to Darfur. Abd Al-Halim added that the UN must secure financial resources to fulfill earlier agreements to assist the build-up of the AU forces in Darfur. (*Sudan Vision*)

## **Al-Khalifa: U.S. and UK "isolated" at UN**

- Presidential Advisor Dr. Majzoub Al-Khalifa said Sudan has succeeded in "isolating" the U.S. and the UK within the UN Security Council and that the two governments have backed down on their negative stances towards Sudan. Khalifa added that preparations for implementing the Abuja Peace Agreement have now entered the final stages,

adding that the citizens in Darfur have begun supporting it and there is progress on tribal reconciliation. He explained that Sudan has "aborted" international anti-Sudan moves as well as Western media targeting of Sudan by concluding an agreement with UN and the African Union on the three UN support packages. (*Sudan Vision*)

## **Foreign Minister: Non-signatories impede peace**

- Sudan's Foreign Minister, Dr. Lam Akol, said that the large number of rebel movements, currently numbering 14, and the absence of a united negotiation stance of these movements, is behind the inability to reach a solution on the Darfur issue. Akol further referred to the call by the SPLM for rebels to unify their stance on Darfur so that so that the government can deal with them. He said there is no reason to deploy international forces to Darfur given agreements reached in Addis Ababa and Abuja and Sudan's acceptance of the implementation of the UN's first and second support packages for the AU forces in Darfur. (*Sudan Vision*)

## **U.S. Embassy to reopen Street Ali Abdel Latif**

- A local newspaper claims that the reason for increased security measures around the U.S Embassy in Khartoum is the imminent reopening of Ali Abdel Latif Street. The street was closed to vehicle traffic several years ago for security reasons, and only after an agreement was reached between the Khartoum local government authorities and the Embassy. (*Al-Hayat*)

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