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## **Sudan Law Reform Update**

**July-September 2011**

Welcome to the fifteenth issue of the Sudan law reform update. The Project for Criminal Law Reform in Sudan (PCLRS) provides this regular service with a view to informing those working on, and interested in, law reform and human rights of relevant developments. The update includes a comment on recent developments as well as a summary of the news (largely based on English language media sources) on law reform and other developments. It aims to serve as a platform for sharing of information, comments and opinions on any issues related to law reform and human rights in Sudan. This issue covers developments up to 30 September 2011.

Yours,

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## I. Constitutional Developments/Law Reform

### Sudan

**21<sup>st</sup> July 2011**

Sudanese parliament endorses popular consultation law as SPLM MPs walked out

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudanese-parliament-endorses,39592>

### South Sudan

**9<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

South Sudan cabinet outlines challenges ahead

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-cabinet-outlines,40089>

**7<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

New South Sudan interior minister vows to launch police reform

<http://www.sudantribune.com/New-South-Sudan-interior-minister,40071>

**6<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Justice Minister reinforces secular nature of South Sudan

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Justice-Minister-reinforces,40054>

**27<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Kiir forms first cabinet of the independent South Sudan

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Kiir-forms-first-cabinet-of-the,39962>

**22<sup>nd</sup> August 2011**

Kiir announces new South Sudan ministries

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Kiir-announces-new-South-Sudan,39898>

**7<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Kiir appoints Garang Chief Whip, as South Sudan parliament elects a female deputy speaker

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Kiir-appoints-Garang-Chief-Whip-as,39761>

**5<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

South Sudan parliament's first sitting fails over internal power wrangling

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-parliament-s-first,39745>

**3<sup>rd</sup> August 2011**

Kiir transforms South Sudan parliament, reconstitutes its membership

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Kiir-transforms-South-Sudan,39716>

## II. Other News

### Sudan

**27<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Food price protests renew in Sudan's capital

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Food-price-protests-renew-in-Sudan,40269>

**23<sup>rd</sup> July 2011**

Sudan's capital hit by water cuts protests

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-s-capital-hit-by-water-cuts,39611>

## **South Sudan**

### **24<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

South Sudan plans to disarm 150,000 soldiers from security forces

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-plans-to-disarm-150,40233>

### **19<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Kir vows to fight corruption in South Sudan government

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Kiir-vows-to-fight-corruption-in,40193>

### **9<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

S. Sudan parliament adopts anti-corruption report

<http://www.sudantribune.com/S-Sudan-parliament-adopts-anti,40088>

### **8<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Juba police tightens security measures against criminals

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Juba-police-tightens-security,40072>

### **3<sup>rd</sup> September 2011**

South Sudan relocates its capital from Juba to Ramciel

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-relocates-its-capital,40027>

### **26<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

South Sudan parliament directs executive to prosecute culprits involved in dura corruption

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-parliament-directs,39956>

### **17<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

South Sudan's Warrap state asks committee to investigate death of over 300 people

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-s-Warrap-state-asks,39856>

### **17<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Kiir sacks South Sudan's bank governor and chief justice

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Kiir-sacks-South-Sudan-s-bank,39854>

### **5<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

UN special envoy to South Sudan addresses political parties

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-special-envoy-to-South-Sudan,39740>

### **27<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

Squandering the South Sudanese's education: UK publishers corruption revealed

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Squandering-the-South-Sudanese-s,39643>

## **Human Rights Situation**

### **Sudan**

### **29<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

UN renews mandate of human rights expert on Sudan

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-renews-mandate-of-human-rights,40288>

**21<sup>st</sup> September 2011**

Sudan must end intolerance of dissent, HRW says

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-must-end-intolerance-of,40218>

**21<sup>st</sup> September 2011**

Sudan: Political repression intensifies

<http://www.hrw.org/news/2011/09/21/sudan-political-repression-intensifies>

**20<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

UN expert urges Sudan, S. Sudan to take action on human rights

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-expert-urges-Sudan-S-Sudan-to,40209>

**19<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Sudan accuses UN field workers of bias in assessing human rights conditions

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-accuses-UN-field-workers-of,40196>

**15<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Sudan orders newspapers not to report on rebels

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-orders-newspapers-not-to,40164>

**9<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Sudan confiscates daily newspaper, local group says

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-confiscates-daily-newspaper,40094>

**8<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Sudan army criticises Al-Jazeera TV coverage, says assault on reporter 'isolated'

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-army-criticizes-Al-Jazeera,40085>

**6<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Sudan confiscates pro-opposition paper

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-confiscates-pro-opposition,40056>

**28<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudan president pardons detained journalists

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-president-pardons-detained,39974>

**23<sup>rd</sup> August 2011**

Sudanese daily to sue security body over seizure of copies

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudanese-daily-to-sue-security,39918>

**16<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

US calls for implementing recommendations of UN report on S. Kordofan

<http://www.sudantribune.com/US-calls-for-implementing,39860>

**15<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudan mulls return to pre-publication censorship

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-mulls-return-to-pre,39840>

**9<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudanese newspaper seized for revealing Bashir-Agar meeting

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudanese-newspaper-seized-for,39784>

**8<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudan's daily raps authorities over seizure of its copies

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-s-daily-raps-authorities,39768>

**4<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

UN decries jailing of Sudanese journalists

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-decries-jailing-of-Sudanese,39729>

**26<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

Another Sudanese journalist jailed on rape case charges

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Another-Sudanese-journalist-jailed,39642>

**26<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

Sudan reiterates rejection of AU plan for Darfur hybrid courts

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-reiterates-rejection-of-AU,39638>

**21<sup>st</sup> July 2011**

Sudan releases a UNAMID national employee after three months of detention

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-releases-a-UNMID-national,39595>

**South Sudan**

**20<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

S Sudan suspends two officers over assault on UN staff

<http://www.sudantribune.com/S-Sudan-Police-suspends-two,40203>

**15<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Improving South Sudan's police is top priority for interior minister

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Improving-South-Sudan-s-police-is,40161>

**13<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

South Sudan police must learn from its mistakes

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-police-must-learn-from,40139>

**29<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

UN condemns South Sudan police assault on top official

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-condemns-South-Sudan-police,39981>

**26<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Warrap Governor orders arrest of security agents behind arrest of MP

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Warrap-Governor-orders-arrest-of,39949>

**25<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

South Sudan police assault U.N. human rights director

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/08/25/us-southsudan-un-assault-idUSTRE77O7TF20110825>

**25<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Warrap Assembly summons governor over MP's 'arrest and torture'

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Warrap-Assembly-summons-governor,39937>

**22<sup>nd</sup> August 2011**

South Sudan security officials arrest and deport Kenyan for unknown reason

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-security-officials,39894>

**20<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Unity state woman claims to be raped by four men in military uniforms

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Unity-state-woman-claims-to-be,39886>

**15<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

South Sudan police pledge support to judicial system

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-police-pledge-support,39832>

**12<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

South Sudan sues chief of public security for detainee abuse

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-sues-chief-of-public,39810>

**4<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

South Sudan's Muslims council says Islamic principles respect human rights

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-s-Muslims-council-says,39723>

**2<sup>nd</sup> August 2011**

Arrest of South Sudan's chief public security officer confirmed

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Arrest-of-South-Sudan-s-chief,39705>

**1<sup>st</sup> August 2011**

Kiir orders South Sudan army to hunt criminals

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Kiir-orders-South-Sudan-army-to,39697>

**30<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

Darfur IDPs say concerned by Sudan-Chad deal to return refugees

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Darfur-IDPs-say-concerned-by-Sudan,39685>

**27<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

Jonglei teacher arrested for complaining of pay cuts and regular impregnation of school girls

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Jonglei-teacher-arrested-for,39645>

**Post-Referendum and South Sudan Independence****19<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Sudan 1<sup>st</sup> VP defends signing of CPA, says rebellion days are over

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-1st-VP-defends-signing-of,40195>

**18<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Sudan-South Sudan sign deal on cross-border arrangements

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-South-Sudan-sign-deal-on,40186>

**18<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Over 3,000 South Sudanese returnees arrive in N. Bahr el Ghazal, complain of neglect

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Over-3-000-South-Sudanese,39865>

**29<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

South Sudan protests imposition of \$22.8 per barrel by the North

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-protests-imposition-of,39660>

**29<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

African Union accepts South Sudan as new member state

<http://www.sudantribune.com/AU-accepts-South-Sudan-as-bloc-s,39670>

**26<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

South Sudan avails new foreign policy, to open 54 embassies

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-avails-new-foreign,39637>

**25<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

North Sudan launches new currency into economically troubled waters

<http://www.sudantribune.com/North-Sudan-launches-new-currency,39626>

**24<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

North, South Sudan to restart post-split negotiations in Ethiopia

<http://www.sudantribune.com/North-South-Sudan-to-restart-post,39618>

**22<sup>nd</sup> July 2011**

Kiir says next cabinet appointment to be based on qualifications, not tribal representation

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Kiir-says-next-cabinet-appointment,39601>

**22<sup>nd</sup> July 2011**

Sudan to launch new currency on Sunday

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-to-launch-new-currency-on,39602>

**21<sup>st</sup> July 2011**

South Sudan's Kiir talks tough on oil, Abyei

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-s-Kiir-talks-tough-on,39591>

**21<sup>st</sup> July 2011**

UN envoy calls on South Sudan to establish solid foundation for new state

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-envoy-calls-on-South-Sudan-to,39589>

**21<sup>st</sup> July 2011**

Jonglei governor hope increase security will boost agricultural production

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Jonglei-governor-hope-increased,39590>

**21<sup>st</sup> July 2011**

Over 1900 returnees stranded in Rumbek, three die

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Over-1-900-returnees-stranded-in,39579>

**21<sup>st</sup> July 2011**

Sudanese Red Crescent Society becomes South Sudan Red Cross

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudanese-Red-Crescent-Society,39584>

**Conflict****- *South Kordofan*****27<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Al-Bashir vows to defend Sudan against 'traitors'

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Al-Bashir-vows-to-defend-Sudan,40270>

**30<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudan: Southern Kordofan Civilians Tell of Air Strike Horror

<http://www.hrw.org/news/2011/08/30/sudan-southern-kordofan-civilians-tell-air-strike-horror>

**30<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudan: Southern Kordofan Civilians Tell of Air Strike Horror - UN Should Demand Humanitarian Access, End to Indiscriminate Bombing

<http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/AFR54/028/2011/en/6c8b872b-50a5-4ee3-8e3e-4a324d702814/afr540282011en.pdf>

**30<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudan: Possible war crimes in Southern Kordofan

<http://www.amnesty.org/en/news-and-updates/report/sudan-possible-war-crimes-southern-kordofan-2011-08-26>

**23<sup>rd</sup> August 2011**

Bashir declares truce in South Kordofan, refuses foreign NGOs

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Bashir-declares-truce-in-South,39920>

**22<sup>nd</sup> August 2011**

4,000 S. Kordofan displaced arrive in South Sudan

<http://www.sudantribune.com/4-000-S-Kordofan-displaced-arrive,39903>

**20<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudan to let UN access South Kordofan

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-to-let-UN-access-South,39891>

**19<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudan submits rebuttal to UN Security Council over S. Kordofan abuses

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-submits-rebuttal-to-UN,39879>

**9<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudanese gather in New York to urge the UN to stop 'ethnic cleansing' in S. Kordofan

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudanese-gather-in-New-York-to,39780>

**6<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Over 5,000 refugees from South Kordofan arrive in Unity State for settlement

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Over-5-000-refugees-from-South,39750>

**5<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

US congressional committee holds hearing on South Kordofan's 'ethnic cleansing'

<http://www.sudantribune.com/U-S-congressional-committee-holds,39746>

**28<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

Sudan admits to moving corpses via trucks in S. Kordofan

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-admits-to-moving-corpses-via,39663>

**27<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

South Kordofan governor says Al-Hilu planned coup with Darfur rebels

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Kordofan-governor-says-Al,39651>

**27<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

UN/Sudan: Southern Kordofan Needs International Monitors

<http://www.hrw.org/news/2011/07/27/unsudan-southern-kordofan-needs-international-monitors>



- **Abyei**

**14<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Sudan denies UN announcement of new agreement on Abyei

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-denies-UN-announcement-of,40152>

**10<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

North, South Sudan agree to complete Abyei pullout this month

<http://www.sudantribune.com/North-South-Sudan-agree-to,40098>

**5<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Three blue helmets die in Abyei after Sudan denied medical evacuation

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Three-blue-helmets-die-in-Abyei,39744>

**2<sup>nd</sup> August 2011**

UN chief mourns death of four peacekeepers in Abyei

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-chief-mourns-death-of-four,39721>

**24<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

South Sudan President asserts Abyei belongs to Dinka Ngok

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-President-asserts,39616>

**23<sup>rd</sup> July 2011**

Ethiopian Peace Force to Abyei begins operation next week

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Ethiopian-Peace-Force-to-Abyei,39610>

- **Darfur**

**10<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Darfur rebels kill 33 soldiers in South Darfur, deny abduction of aid worker

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Darfur-rebels-kill-33-soldiers-in,40101>

**6<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Unknown gunmen kill one peacekeeper in South Darfur - UNAMID

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Unknown-gunmen-kill-one,39756>

**4<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Sudan's ruling party rejects Security Council's resolution on UNAMID mandate

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-s-ruling-party-rejects,39728>

**29<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

UNAMID peacekeepers confirm air attacks in Darfur

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UNAMID-peacekeepers-confirm-air,39678>

**27<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

Closure of Doha process means return to war in Darfur – JEM

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Closure-of-Doha-process-means,39665>

**24<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

Sudan criticizes UNAMID chief over Darfur remarks

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-criticizes-UNAMID-chief-over,39621>

**23<sup>rd</sup> July 2011**

Gambari urges ceasefire and inclusive talks for peace in Darfur

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Gambari-urges-ceasefire-and,39612>

**22<sup>nd</sup> July 2011**

African Union supports Gambari's appointment as mediator for peace in Darfur

<http://www.sudantribune.com/African-Union-supports-Gambari-s,39603>

- **Blue Nile**

**17<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Sudan vows to continue military campaign in Blue Nile

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Sudan-vows-to-continue-military,40180>

**13<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Fighting in Sudan's Blue Nile state displaces tens of thousands of people – UN

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=39538&Cr=sudan&Cr1=>

**5<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

UN: Thousands flee to Ethiopia after clashes in Sudan

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-Thousands-flee-to-Ethiopia,40047>

- **South Sudan**

**6<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

UN report: 1,500 killed and 73,000 displaced in S. Sudan conflicts

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-report-1-500-killed-and-73-000,40053>

**27<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Juba and UN send troops to restive areas of Jonglei State

<http://www.sudantribune.com/President-Kiir-orders-SPLA,39966>

**25<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

UN, US express concern as 26,000 displaced from Jonglei conflict

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-US-express-concern-as-26-000,39939>

**24<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Landmines kill 5 and injure 21 in South Sudan's Unity state

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Landmines-kill-5-and-injure-21-in,39926>

**22<sup>nd</sup> August 2011**

UN confirms 58 deaths in Jonglei fighting

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-confirms-58-deaths-in-Jonglei,39897>

**20<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Hundreds killed in South Sudan's Jonglei state

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Hundreds-killed-in-South-Sudan-s,39887>

**19<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Tribal clash in Jonglei leaves seven villages destroyed

<http://www.sudantribune.com/Tribal-clash-in-Jonglei-leaves,39876>

**30<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

S. Sudanese oppositionist accuses Kiir of killing rebel leader Gai, warns of war

<http://www.sudantribune.com/S-Sudanese-oppositionist-accuses,39684>

**28<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

UN to finish deploying new force in South Sudan by December

<http://www.sudantribune.com/UN-to-finish-deploying-new-force,39659>

**26<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

South Sudan militia deputy admits killing of his leader Gutluak

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-militia-deputy-admits,39639>

**23<sup>rd</sup> July 2011**

South Sudan rebel leader Gatluak Gai killed in mysterious circumstances

<http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-rebel-leader-Gatluak,39613>

**III. Documents****August 2011**

Thirteenth periodic report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Sudan

Preliminary report on violations of international human rights and humanitarian rights in Southern Kordofan from 5 to 30 June 2011

[http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/13thSouth\\_Kordofan\\_report.doc](http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/13thSouth_Kordofan_report.doc)

**22 August 2011**

Report of the independent expert on the situation of human rights in the Sudan on the status of implementation of the recommendations compiled by the Group of Experts to the Government of the Sudan for the implementation of Human Rights Council resolution 4/8, pursuant to Council resolutions 6/34, 6/35, 7/16, 11/10 and 15/27\*, UN Doc. A/HRC/18/40/Add.1,

<http://daccess-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/G11/155/34/PDF/G1115534.pdf?OpenElement>

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African Centre for Justice and Peace Studies: Continuing Violations of Human Rights in South Kordofan and Blue Nile States:

<http://www.acjps.org/Publications/Reports/2011/26-09-11%20Continuing%20Violations%20of%20Human%20Rights%20in%20South%20Kordofan%20and%20Blue%20Nile%20States.pdf>