

RCC Chairman Al-Bashir Speaks at Rallies

Al-Faw Rally 29 Feb

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[Speech by 'Umar Hasan Ahmad al-Bashir, Revolution Command Council chairman, at a mass rally in al-Faw 29 Feb—recorded]

[Excerpts] [passage omitted] Allow me again to extend to you greetings from your leaders [words indistinct] in this generous homeland, and your sons and brothers in National Salvation Revolution Command Council. With the power of the National Salvation Revolution, which (?revived) this homeland [words indistinct] your pioneering experience in wheat farming, in order to safeguard the homeland and to achieve self-reliance in food, and to preserve the dignity and honor of the (?sacred homeland) and to renew the revolution's slogan, which says that we should eat from what we plant, because we do not want to beg for our food, and we do not want the relief agencies to humiliate our dignity. Through you the homeland [word indistinct], and through your production we will rid ourselves of this (?bitter) humiliation. [passage omitted]

My compatriots and dear citizens, the revolution is proceeding forward with all determination and firmness (?to uproot) all sorts of corruption, such as black markets and corruption in state offices. I here direct the officials and my brothers in [word indistinct] leadership, to (?form) a special court in al-Faw to put corruption on trial [as heard] and to safeguard fair distribution of the available capacity of commodity supplies.

Dear brothers, the revolution is determined to make essential services available to the Sudanese everywhere. Regarding education, I recommend the construction of a

girls' higher secondary school. [applause] I expect the brothers in the popular committees and the farmers' union will adopt this plan and give it the necessary support, God willing. [passage omitted]

In addition, the nation is looking to you, expecting you to be like your brothers supporting your Armed Forces for the safeguarding of the country. Everybody, all the salvation committees, all social organizations, or charity organizations have an obligatory role to [word indistinct]. Support of the armed forces currently stationed along the borders is a duty for all the citizens, so that the army can [word indistinct] against any traitor, any agent, any (?intruder) and the 5th column. This is incumbent upon all the citizens.

You have great honor [words indistinct] the Armed Forces against the rebels and outlaws. [Words indistinct] that you are capable of the challenge and more than that. [passage omitted]