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Article 26 on South Sudan

Developments in South Sudan Conflict: Oh my God: The Egyptians are coming to take South Sudan's Water.

Our Articles 1 to 3 and 5 to 24 were situation analysis of the conflict in South Sudan. Our articles 4 (A), 4 (B) and 4 (C) were the first of our series on "Who is Who". This article (26) is dedicated ONLY to the issue of water and the Egyptians who feel the time is right to steel South Sudan's Sudd water.

This article is specially directed to Engineer Isaac Liabwel, Anja Koenig, Dr. SMA Salman, Prof. Ahsok Swain and others aware of the possible rip-off that Egypt may do to South Sudan. Hoping they can add their voices to ours.

For Heaven's Sake: Not the Nile Waters.

Shakespeare said in the late 1500s and in the words of Henry the VI in a play "The first thing we do, let's kill all the lawyers." 500 years later we say "The first think we do, let's kill all the Egyptians!"

A few facts as introduction

An old note of ours is attached as backgrounder. While South Sudan may be sitting on 3.5 Billion Barrels of oil, it is sitting on 30 billion cubic meters of water that are the ONLY readily available source for giving Egypt more water. While Ethiopia stood tall in front of the Egyptians, Dr. Barnaba Marial and his government are selling the eternal resource that South Sudanese have: Water. What a shame!

We do not know what to say to Dr. Barnaba but: For heaven's sake to don't sell the South Sudanese for the sake of Kiir or for money. Bad deal!

Sudan Tribune says: S. Sudan and Egypt discuss economic ties, trade relations

Wrong! S. Sudan and Egypt discuss water, water, water...

It goes on "South Sudan's foreign minister Barnaba Marial Benjamin and his Egyptian counterpart, Nabil Fahmy met on Saturday and explored ways of expanding economic ties and trade relations between the two nations" no mention of water so far!!

The two ministers, Egypt's foreign affairs ministry said in statement, also discussed the possibilities of attracting foreign investment at a crucial point during the two nations' regional re-emergence.

Investment? Now? In South Sudan?

“One of the most crucial topics of discussion was water security in relation to the Nile, which feeds “both nations” with *much needed* water for drinking and irrigation,” noted the statement.

South Sudan DOES NOT need water for drinking and irrigation with the support of the Egyptians. Egypt does and yesterday and not tomorrow.

Fahmy, it said, underscored the importance of “*achieving gains for all without harming the interests of any party*” while stressing “*respect for international law and historical rights of the states.*”

My God! I wish we were there! And with an RBG!!

What international law! Can you say that to the Ethiopians you cheat!

The water in the Sudd is not part of any agreement and is the property of the peoples of south Sudan. Marial KNOWS that. *We* told him that face to face!



Egyptian Foreign Minister Nabil Fahmy (L) met Saturday with his South Sudanese counterpart Barnaba Marial Benjamin (Photo: Ministry of Foreign Affairs Handout)

Marial reportedly emphasised (and we Quote) “the importance of cooperation based on the principle of achieving gains for [all countries] within the Nile Basin” Unquote. He does not know what he is talking about and maybe he does not know what are the losses and consequences. Is this why he went to the meeting of the 141 Ordinary Meeting of the League of Arab States? And the other Egyptian cheat there gave him three “Special welcomes” in the Ministerial Meetings!

But Barnaba “Ate Coal”!!

The report of the meeting of the Ministerial level of March 9th came out today in 138 pages. NOT ONE word about South Sudan! We have the report!

But let us look at the league of Arab States (LAS) and Egypt:

Nabeel Al Arabi, the Secretary General of the LAS is a 78years old *Egyptian.*

Salah Haleema, the Ambassador of the LAS to Sudan is *Egyptian*

Mohamed Naseef, the Ambassador of the LAS to South Sudan is *Egyptian.*

Can that possibly be a coincidence?

The story of Barnaba Marial goes on, please bear with us.

“While meeting his Egyptian counterpart, he also thanked the Egyptian government for the support and humanitarian aid supplied to the young nation, noting that a large number of South Sudanese government officials have received their educations in Egypt, reflecting the importance of Egyptian aid to the new nation”.

Two things that Marial did not tell us:

1. He himself, Barnaba Marial got his Education in Egypt
2. Along with the peanuts that Egypt gave to South Sudan under the 2006 catastrophic agreement signed by, the then Minister of Water Resources Joseph Duer Jakok, Marial’s village of Yuai in Wuror County Jonglei State got a multi-stream school and other small gifts paid for by Egypt.

Many of us have all the agreements and the history. We have accounts of the possible loss and where the Egyptians can take South Sudan in a massive ride and rip them off their eternal wealth of the Nile Waters. Southern Sudanese died for Jonglei Canal not to happen.

We are not sure what Marial and Company will do when it comes to the “Agreement on the Nile River Basin Cooperative Framework!” Will he align with the Egyptians or with the block of Lakes State? You need to think, before you meet with any Egyptian on water!

The denial

Minister Marial came out in South Sudan TV denying any agreements with the Egyptians on water! In one day!! What did you agree on? Where is the text?

A more serious denial

It was claimed that Barnaba has asked for and got agreement to bring the Egyptian Army to protect the people in Juba. The denial on South Sudan TV was flat and still left the option open.

First the Ugandans
Then the Egyptians
What next?

Where do such people come from?

The Rebels Negotiating Team in Addis needs to insist on putting the Nile Waters issue on the table and make sure it is one of the “Untouchable” issues by Kiir and gang.

South Sudan needs Flight Lieutenant Jerry Rawlings!! Do you know what he did?

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