



Sudan Change Now

Sudan Change Now Charter - 2010

Introduction:

We are the sons and daughters of Sudan;

We descended from its various regions, cities and villages; from its different religious, ethnic and political groups and backgrounds. Having crossed paths previously, in classrooms, football fields, workers' workshops and scaffolds"; we all shared the common dream of earning an honourable living, away from the dooming spectre of unemployment, and were all deeply concerned about the miserable state of affairs in our country, which we witnessed in our neighbourhoods and our deprived cities and villages;

We reconnected through various platforms, thanks to the latest technologies of social networking, to assist each other in realizing our dreams, believing that tomorrow will bring light to us and mark the end of our enemy.

We do believe that the current regime in Sudan is completely dysfunctional. Hence, putting an end to it is our collective responsibility, if we are to aspire for a better future that our nation deserves.

We have called upon each other to unify and mobilize our efforts in order to defeat the present power of darkness, using all the necessary tools of peaceful resistance to achieve political stability and social peace.



Our Goals:

1. Overthrowing the current regime in Sudan, as well as dismantling all its legislative and executive institutions, and other politicized state agencies.
2. Establishing a framework for accountability through the courts of law, and bringing to justice all perpetrators of political crimes, corruption and human rights violations, and reclaiming the nation's stolen wealth.
3. Laying the foundations and pillars of a civil, democratic and pluralistic system that guarantees and protects the basic rights against public authorities violations, and ensuring fair and balanced share of the national wealth.
4. Abolishing all freedom-restricting and oppressive laws, and other articles of the Sudanese laws that are in contravention with the international human rights conventions, as well as ensuring constitutional rights and equal, unbiased political engagement for all the Sudanese.
5. Implementing the principle of separation of powers, and ensuring the independence and professionalism of the judiciary and the enforcement of its judgments.
6. Ending all forms of discrimination and exclusions, which have been deepened by the present regime through its unilateral policies against different regions and ethnicities of the Sudan, as well as stopping the marginalization of Eastern Sudan, Kordofan, the Nuba Mountains, Darfur, the Blue Nile and all other regions, and maintaining peace through realizing social justice.
7. Stopping the ongoing war in Darfur and cement peace in the region by bringing all perpetrators of war crimes to justice, and compensating the victims and realizing their legitimate demands.
8. Addressing the social, economic and environmental negative impact of imposed infrastructure projects that consume the natural resources, which resulted from the regime's greedy economic policies. We intend to make every effort possible to achieve justice by involving those affected; we also aim to address the problems of displacement, resettlement and other violations, and provide adequate development compensation to the people affected by the construction of these projects.
9. Restituting all the victims of political dismissals and terminations from the civil and public service, as well as addressing the negative consequences of appointments based on political affiliation.
10. Reviewing the economic policies that led to the depletion of the poor natural resources and abandonment of the productive projects in both the industrial and agricultural sectors (e.g. Gazira Project). Addressing issues of un-prioritized government expenditure that led to the deterioration and collapse of the national educational institutions and health services, resulting in increased unemployment and deteriorated living conditions.
11. Ensuring the provision of a free and democratic education, as well as the independence of educational institutions.
12. Ensuring positive discrimination of women to enable them to address their issues, and assume their required role in society, as they have always been the main victims of the regime's atrocities and wars, on top of their historical hardship.
13. Protecting the historical relationships between the peoples of the Sudan by maintaining positive relations with the Republic of South Sudan, as well as addressing the issues of citizenship and guaranteeing the rights of citizens in both countries to allow for peaceful coexistence, reduction of the negative effects of the secession, and opening up the necessary opportunities for a fair and equal future reunion.
14. Rebuilding Sudan's international relations on the basis of cooperation to benefit the Sudanese people, and correcting the regime's wrong policies towards the international community and neighboring countries in order to strengthen cross-border interrelations, serve common interests, enhance regional integration and reinstate the sovereignty of the country.

What is the “Alternative”?

Indeed, we are not ignoring the question of "The alternative". Our vision for the alternative is to create a civil and democratic society, where the people chose their leadership through peaceful devolution of power, and a proper monitoring process through ballot boxes and parliamentary representation.

To realize this alternative, we need to remove all the obstacles on the way of change, starting with overthrowing the current regime and all its distorted establishments, and constructing a civil model for the state of the Sudan. A state that guarantees the prosperity and stability for our nation, and establish a system based on representation and accountability.

We are working on creating a common front that incorporates all victims of the current regime to ensure a unified and effective course of action to overthrow it. This is the only way to build a new brighter future for our coming generations.



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