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Darfur. More promising the GOS will launch its new peace agreement this week with the sm Movement (LIM). While most armed groups in Darfur have not signed on to this agreement the GOS to make significant progress on reconciliation, compensation to victims, and other has staked much on this agreement which was negotiated in Doha. The Qatari Deputy Prime the LIM leader on his initial post-agreement tour in Darfur, and Qatar is putting up significant progress.	t, it will test the reading steps toward peace. Q e Minister is accompan	atar
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other officials.		
Next steps. We will be facing several weeks of more fighting in the Two Areas, and slow pro as both countries assess their policies and each other's strengths, and as anti-government fiprovoke an "Arab Spring" in Sudan and topple the Bashir regime.	•	
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