



UPDATE (2) ON

POTENTIAL CONFRONTATION BETWEEN TALODI RESIDENTS ON A SIT-IN DEMONSTRATION AND RSF SOLDIERS IN SUDAN

The sit in demonstration by residents at Talodi locality protesting against the use of cyanide at the gold mines is still going. They decided to make a demonstration march by 3rd October 2019. They planned to march up to Elgenaid company premises demanding for the stoppage of the activities at the gold mines as ordered by the state governor. However, the Rapid Support Force (RSF) is opposed to obey the governor's order which raises the fear of maltreatment by RSF towards demonstrators.

Today is the 29th day since Talodi sit in demonstration began.

On 1st October 2019, the sit in demonstrators submitted a letter to the military commandant in Talodi as a representative of the head of Talodi locality security committee in the absence of the locality governor. The letter was urging him to force Elgenaid Company to stop gold mining activities. No positive answer was given by him that led the demonstrators to plan to march up on 3rd October 2019 to the company premises.

RSF soldiers are guarding Elgenaid company, it raises the fear of excessive use of force by them (RSF) towards the protesters.

HUDO calls upon;

- Sudan government to seriously consider the community's concerns and demands and should act urgently.
- Sudan government should ensure the protesters safety and their rights to expression of opinion
- Sudan government to hold to account RSF commanders and soldiers who intimidated the public and disregarding the order of state governor.
- South Kordufan state government should ensure that their orders are implemented
- The civil society organizations, media and lawyers in Sudan to support the residents' concerns and give coverage.

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To read the UA about this case, please visit: <https://wp.me/p6WXCc-It>

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