the GoS agreed to delay the referendum on Darfur’s status for one year after the signing of a peace agreement. On 14 July LJM and the GoS signed the “Doha Document for Peace in Darfur.”

Despite the importance of the agreement reached in July, it remains to be seen if the Doha Process can find a resolution to the conflict in Darfur. Built upon the strength of Bassolé and al-Mahmoud, the mediation team was able to incorporate the views of civil society and overcome the splintering of fractions, which complicated the security climate. Yet when the negotiations reached their most pivotal moments, the adversarial parties stood firm to their demands, unwilling to make the compromises necessary to achieve peace. There are continuing efforts to bring JEM back to the table, but as of early August the prospects of their return appear slim.

In parallel with the Doha Process, participants at the Second Meeting of the Sudan Consultative Forum, agreed on 6 November 2010 to initiate a Darfur Political Process (DPP) with the aim of