

**President Isaias Afwerki, President of the State of Eritrea, delivered a speech during his participation in the summit of neighboring countries of Sudan, the text of which was as follows:**



Mr. President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, President of the Arab Republic of Egypt, I congratulate you on organizing this summit for the neighborhood of Sudan, and as we have put forward on more than one occasion for our perception and support for this initiative, this summit expresses that it will be an opportunity for the Sudanese and the Sudanese people to support their neighbors; To find a way out of this beggar in which Sudan is located without justification.

We see in this initiative basic principles that depend on respect for the sovereignty and independence of Sudan, and the existence of a suitable environment for the Sudanese people to move to safety, which requires a plan, effort and support, and this initiative will ultimately aim at securing the appropriate climate for the Sudanese people who have the last word to overcome this crisis. ordeal.

Hence, I affirm that the intervention of neighboring countries helps the Sudanese people to solve their problems without external or local interference, or the presence of internal parties dealing with the outside to complicate matters, and this summit will be an opportunity for collective action to secure the climate in Sudan, so that all neighboring countries enjoy stability and cooperation with Sudanese. And I repeat that securing

this climate means preventing any external interference under any name, even if it is humanitarian, and even military interventions to fuel war, until we put an end to all these matters.

I see this initiative as a good initiative, but it is the beginning of a very long journey, because the transition from the situation in which the Sudanese people live to safety will take time, effort and capabilities. And there must be clear mechanisms with practical references, and then collect resources aspiring for this initiative from neighboring countries; So that the Sudanese people can benefit from the available capabilities, and I repeat, without external interference, because the neighboring countries of Sudan have the capabilities and the ability to make room and contribute to securing independence.

The focus should not be on the situation in which Sudan is now, which is unjustified in the belief of many, and what is required now is to give an opportunity for this people who overthrew a defunct regime that destroyed Sudan politically, socially, economically and security, to move to a state that helps secure stability in Sudan, and from Then influence neighboring countries.

From this standpoint, I say that this initiative is a good initiative, and it must have a long breath, and it must have clear visions, and clear, effective and practical mechanisms, and I stress that the readiness of neighboring countries throughout the long history of the region is unique, and this is what will be a model For other solutions in the region, whether they are for problems in the Horn of Africa, the Red Sea, the west or the north of the continent, and that these regions will depend a lot on those who produce from this initiative to secure the climate for the Sudanese people.

Once again, I thank Mr. President, and I thank all the efforts that have been made in this field, and I confirm that commitment is a natural commitment, and this platform is natural, and it must continue and succeed in the end, and I am sure that success will be the ally of this initiative, and thank you.