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**SUDAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION
NEWSLETTER**

From the Editor
Dear Member:

This is the fourth and last issue of volume 10, 1990. Looking back, I would say it has been a great experience for me to tackle what appeared to me in the beginning a seemingly impossible task. I am glad I decided to take this challenge, and sincerely hope every member be given the chance to become editor of this Newsletter, at least once. The work is hard but the rewards are immense. Singlehandedly, one has to collect the necessary information, type it, and go through all the necessary time-consuming steps of printing, supervising copying procedures and finally mailing the entire stock to members. But one forgets all this when one receives a few words of appreciation from members, some of whom wrote from as far away as Singapore. However, not all members seem ready to give a helping hand. Indeed, there are a few individuals who do not even bother to drop a line when they move to a new location, or leave the country or their jobs entirely. It was often necessary to send the same copy of the Newsletter twice to the same address, first to the address in our books, second, to the new address as per US Postal Service's notification on the undelivered mail. It is a waste of time to have to provide this time an envelop, rewrite the new address and go the post office to mail Newsletter one more time. There is also a double expense incurred by our Association for postage. Often I have to do this needless and expensive job fifteen to twenty times for each issue of the Newsletter. 15% of all mail has been returned undelivered, at a cost to SSA of \$200.00 for printing these Newsletters, and \$32.50 for postage.

So would you be so kind as to make it a habit of notifying me and the Executive Directors of any address change as soon as possible. I would very much appreciate your help in this regard.

At any rate, this is the last time the Executive Directors and I are going to chase you around, trying to locate you. We assume you are interested in receiving the Newsletters and all other SSA publications, hence, it is your duty to let us know how to reach you.

Note

As you must have already noticed, I am experimenting with a new format for printing this issue of the newsletter. By a 85% reduction of the size of the font, I can cut the number of pages by six, which will save us about \$96.00 for printing, and an additional sum for postage. But I would like to hear from you if your eyes are comfortable with this print. To be sure, not all our membership have 20/20 eye vision, so I wouldn't put them through the embarrassment of having to use their magnifying glasses to read the Newsletter.

Cutting cost is what I keep hearing now from the Executive Directors. So please write and let me know.

Copy Machine

There are new developments here that membership may like to hear about. First, I have grossly under-reported the cost per copy (see SSA Newsletter Vol 10, No 1, p.2). The cost is much higher than the reported \$.038. It is \$.0512 per single 8X11 exposure. Below is the breakdown of this expenditure estimate:

Sharp SF 8800 Copier

Machine (Bid cost)	\$4695.00
Or \$939.00/year (if depreciated over 5 years).	
Assume we publish 4 issues of Newsletter of 50 pages each (25 of double-sided copies), this means the machine cost / copy is:	\$.0235
Annual service contract. Cost /copy	.0095
Add to this the cost of machine supplies / copy (toner, developer, OPC Drum kit, upper fuses, lower fuses), total	.0102
duplication paper	.0065
electricity	.0004
labor (including supplies for folding, cutting, stapling etc)	.0006
interest on loan (if we borrow)	.0003
space rental (if necessary)	.0002
Total cost / copy	.0512

Note

These figures are based on Sharp Company's own estimates to its dealers.

Note also that the figures are also based on 40,000 copies per year. The annual production capacity of the machine is much higher than this (60,000 to 120,000), which translates for us as longer years of service than the 5 years depreciated above.

Currently, we spend about \$.08 (8 cents) per 8 X 11 double-sided black and white copy. So there is a saving of \$.0288 per copy, or \$1152.00 every year.

This saving could easily be increased substantially if we invest instead in Ricoh New Priport copying machine. It is a copier that first makes a stencil copy of the page before it produced copies of it. As stencils are cheap, there are few machine supplies required, and the machine's production capacity is much higher than an ordinary copier, and it is only slightly more expensive than the copier, (the bidding price is given as \$6250.00.

News From Sudan

Is Famine Back in Sudan?

BBC London announced (October 26th.90) that the Sudan Government acknowledged that the country is facing sever food shortages

estimated at 750,000 metric tons of grain, and that starving people are already leaving their homes in northern Dar Fur, Kordofan and Kasala provinces in search of food. This confirms what the Famine Early Warning system of the US State Department and UN Food and Agriculture Organization had already predicted, "a widespread shortages of food from a second successive poor harvest exacerbated by the regime's sales of grain to European and Arab countries". The representative of the World Food Program in Khartoum warned that this famine may be as severe and devastating as the one of 1984, particularly since this year's harvest was poor, and the food reserve from previous years was exported. He estimated that as many as many as five million peoples are at risk this time. What makes this announcement of impending tragedy in the Sudan even more alarming is the fact that it was made immediately after this year's harvest, which has been, like the preceding one, disastrous. This means that for the coming ten to eleven months till the next harvest, Sudan has to depend to a considerable degree on donor nations for food. And if the next harvest is equally bad, which is not unlikely, large sections of the Sudanese peoples will be decimated. The second ominous thing about this famine, or "food gab" as officials in Khartoum prefer to call it, is that it has struck at a time the world community has shown a frightening fatigue to commit itself to feed starving people around the world, while the media attention is focussed on the crisis in the Persian Gulf. On the other hand, the government of the Sudan appears less able than Numeiri's administration to deal with a problem of such a magnitude. First, the war in the south, which is becoming bloodier and costly everyday, continues to drain whatever resources the government may have. Secondly, its relations with neighboring rich Arab countries and almost all western countries have not been cordial to begin with, and were made even more tenuous after Sudan's apparent endorsement of Saddam Hussein's aggression against Kuwait. So it is not likely at all that Saudi Arabia or any of the oil rich gulf states will come to the rescue of the Sudan this time. It should be mentioned here that, for the past twenty years or so, the Gulf Arab countries provided more than 50% of Sudan's foreign aid. Western governments and the United Nations will, however reluctantly, send in food. It is hoped, though, that such help will arrive in time.

It is therefore our duty as scholars of the Sudan and friends of its people to do everything we can to make sure that our respective communities and government bodies act promptly and expeditiously to send food to the starving children and women in the Sudan. Get involved.

Note

After writing the above, I contacted Ambassador Abdalla by telephone but he categorically denied that there was famine in the Sudan as of October 28, 1990. He assured me it was "food shortage.

not famine", as he put it. Ambassador Abdalla's statement is, however, confuted by Jane Perlez who reported on The New York Times of October 31, 90 that Col Salah Karrar, the Chairman of the Economic Committee of the ruling Revolutionary Command Council told reporters that a food "gap might arise". But he believed that such a gap would not exceed 500,000 tons, which would be met from local production in the irrigated area.

Former Army Officers Declare Opposition

Lt-General Fathi Ahmed Ali, Chief-in-Command of the Sudanese armed forces till his dismissal by the Junta in June, 1989, and other high-ranking officers who were also forcefully retired by General Al-Bashir have recently declared in a statement issued in Adis Abbaba that they will "cease operating covertly and start operating overtly with the aim of restoring legitimacy and democracy in the Sudan". They named their organization Ana as-Sudan (I am the Sudan), and announced that they will henceforth coordinate their struggle against Al-Bashir's government with the resistance movement; the National Democratic Alliance. (Source: Sudan Update, Vol2, No 8, October 1990, and Al-Qabas Al-Duwalli, published in London).

Authorities in Khartoum, meanwhile, reacted swiftly to this development by declaring these people traitors and, according to As-Sudan al-Hadieth of October, 26, confiscated their property and blocked their bank accounts, as well as the property and bank accounts of Mubarak al-Mahdi, former minister of interior, and al-Hadi al-Bushra, chief of security in the ousted government of al-Sadiq al-Mahdi.

SPLA And Kuwait

Al-Qabas Newspaper also reported that a SPLA/SPLM's spokesman, John Luk, declared that the SPLA had offered to send troops to Saudi Arabia to join other international forces now defending Saudi Arabia and other Arab Gulf countries against further Iraqi aggression. While it is unlikely that the Saudis will welcome such an offer, it is, nonetheless, a political maneuver which can only enhance SPLA/SPLM image in these countries. The financial support that the successive governments in Khartoum received from the Gulf Arab states over the years was an important factor enabling these governments to continue fighting the civil war in the south.

Chad Invades Sudan

Once again Chadian troops invaded Dar Fur province on August 30 in hot pursuit of the rebel forces led by Col. Idris Deby, and for a while occupied the two main towns of Geneina and Kutum, according Africa Confidential (Sept 15,90).

Government News

From Sudan Foreign Ministry despatches to the Sudan Embassy in Washington, D.C. courtesy of His Excellency Sudan Ambassador to USA, Professor Abdalla A. Abdalla.

Khartoum Government has categorically denied recent allegations that its military bases provided sanctuary to Iraqi air force crafts. (August 23, 1990).

The Government also took measures to counter the negative impact of the Gulf crisis on Sudan economy. 200 million Sudanese pounds were allocated to subsidize sorghum and wheat prices for low-income individuals. As of September, 1990, the compulsory financial contributions by Sudanese working abroad is raised by 50%. Gas prices have also gone up by 33%, to 40 Sudanese pounds a gallon. Incidentally, this is the equivalent of two-day wages for an unskilled laborer. (August 22).

The National Dialogue Conferance on the Political System (NDCPS) has attributed the failure of previous political structures to what its participants called a "personality cult". The NDCPS has divided itself into separate committees; one was to deal with the "cultural basis of Sudanese society", one dealing with previous political experiments, a third was to discuss the role of the "secteral (sic) organizations", and a fourth was to deal with "comparative political experiments". The NDCPS would send fifteen groups of its members to visit all regions in the Sudan in order to ascertain the wishes of the populations regarding the political future of the country. (August 13).

News from Members

Dr Andrew McGregor wrote in September to inform us that he would travel to the Sudan for a three months study of Dar Fur antiquities and the British occupation of the province in 1916.

The President of the Association Dr Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban writes from Tunis to say that she and her family attended an international film festival in Tunis, in which an eighteen-minute film from Sudan called al-Mahatta (the Station) has won the silver Tanit. The film is about the difficulty of transport in Khartoum.

Dr Bjorn H Jernudd of the English Department, the National Uni. of Singapore writes to say that he is concerned that Dr Ushari of the University of Khartoum is still in detention in the Sudan, and wonders what he, as an individual, can do to help secure his release.

We thank you very much Dr Jernudd for your genuine feelings about Ushari's detention, and the detention of other academicians like him in the Sudan. We suggest that you and any other individual alarmed by the continued imprisonment of academicians in that country to express your concern by writing directly to His

Excellency General Omer Hassan al-Bashire, Head of the State and Defense Minister, Peoples Palace, Khartoum Sudan

Flood Money

Yolandi Martinot of the International Voluntary Welfare Group in Khartoum has last week responded to my letter of January, 1990 requesting information about schools damaged by the 1986 flood that we could help rebuild. She has identified an elementary girls' school in al-Mahdiyya (Omdurman) that desperately needs to rebuild class rooms. A member of the committee charged with the responsibility of disbursement of the Flood Money to needy recipients, Dr Constance Berkley, is now teaching at Ahfad University in Omdurman, I am going to refer this request to her. She was given a cheque for \$3,000.00 before leaving for Sudan in July with the understanding that she and other SSA members in Khartoum would determine the recipient of our donations. I will let you know which school finally got the financial support.

I have today (Nov 15) received information from Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban that Dr Berkley has already identified a recipient, visited the site more than once, and took pictures of the reconstruction. I have yet to hear from Dr. Berkley directly.

Conference on the Sudan

Dr Salah Hasaan of the State University of New York wrote to say that the Sudanese National Democratic Rally held its first conference in Washington on August 11, 1990, which was attended by many scholars and individuals representing humanitarian organizations. Three papers on politics in the Sudan were delivered, followed by extensive discussion. The consensus was that democracy was the only option for governance in the Sudan, that the obrogation of the "September Laws" is the key to stability, and that under current conditions, political and armed struggle are legitimate.

The Editor

I would like here to express my gratitude to those members who wrote to tell us about their news-worthy activities. My thanks go also to Richard Lobban who wrote more than once from Tunisia to provide some of the news items included here.

U.K. Closed

The students of the University of Khartoum violently opposed the recent government decision to stop the long practice of providing students with free lodging and food, and to provide them, instead, with fixed financial support. The university authorities closed the institution after the students demonstrated and attempted to block entrance to the premises.

Note

Personal communication from Sudan (received today, Nov 15) indicates that the University will be open in July next year, and students and teachers will have to work around the clock to make up for lost time. Authorities also plan to carry out a systematic program of Arabization of the curricula when the university re-opens.

New Books

Abdel Ghaffar Ahmed & Gunner M Sorbo (eds) Management of the Crisis in the Sudan. This is the proceedings of a 1989 Conference on the same topic and is now available from the Center for Development Studies, University of Bergen, Stromgt. 54, N-5007, Bergen, Norway.

Janet Ewald, Soldiers, Traders, and Slaves. University of Wisconsin Press: Madison, 1990. \$45.00 (c), & \$19.95 (p).

Larry Minear, Humanitarianism Under Siege: A Critical Review of Operation Lifeline Sudan. Washington: The Red Sea Press, 1991. This book is perhaps first of its kind in that it tells the story of humanitarian aid, of constructive and obstructive policies, and of the elusive search for peace in the Sudan. It does so in a sober and non-partisan fashion. Highly recommended.

Ellen Ismail & Maureen Makki, Women of the Sudan, published by Ellen Ismail-Schmidt, Bendestorf, West Germany. ISBN 3-9801259-1-2. No price.

Janice Boddy, Wombs and Alien Spirits: Women, Men and Zar Cult in Northern Sudan. Madison, Wisconsin U. Press, 1990. 399pp. ISBN: 0-299-12314-6. No price.

Articles

The Middle East Journal (Vol 44, No 4, 1990) is devoted entirely to the Sudan. Included are these articles: Peter K Bechtold, "More turbulence in Sudan: A New politics this time", Francis Deng, "War of vision for the nation", Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban, "Islamization in the Sudan: A critical assessment", Gabriel R Warburg, "The Sharia in the Sudan: Implementation and repercussions, 1983-1989", Mary C Kilgour, "Refugees and development: Dissonance in the Sudan", and Stephen Kontos, "Farmers and the failure of agribusiness in Sudan". Guest-editor is our Executive Director, Professor John O Voll.

Kemal Osman Salih, "The Sudan, 1959-9: The fading democracy" in The Journal of Modern African Studies, Vol 28, # 2 pp. 199-224.

Recent Doctoral Dissertations On Sudan

Agriculture

Frans Gous, Tannin and phenols in black sorghum (Sudan). Ph.D. Texas and A&M U, 1989. DA51B:0016.9015505

Anthropology

Burkhard Schnepel, Five approaches to the theory of divine kinship and the kinship of the Shiluk of the southern Sudan. Ph. D. U of Oxford(UK), 1989. 478pp. DA50A:3639.B-87843.

Oaman E ElBushra, Management model for the food services at the University of Khartoum, Sudan. Ph. D. U Wisconsin-Madison, 1989. 251pp. DA50B:4296:8923322.

Economics

Rashid M Hassan, A Temporary general equilibrium model with endogenous money for economic policy analysis in Sudan. Ph.D. Iowa State U, 1989 405pp. DA50A:4036.9012019.

Abdullahi A Saad, The Marketing of oilseeds in the Sudan with special reference to the traditional (rainfed) agricultural sector. Ph.D. U of Leeds (UK) 1989. 439pp. DA50A:4038:B-88411.

Geography

Jonathan B Bascom, Refugee resettlement in the context of agrarian change: A case study from eastern Sudan. Ph. D. U Iowa, 1989. 261pp. DA50A:3703.9011923.

Abdelmonem A Ibrahim, A system dynamics approach to African urban problems: A case from the Sudan. Ph.D. Kent State U, 1989. 281pp. DA50A:3020.906129.

History

Dhafer J Mohammed, the contribution of Sayed "Ali al-Mirghani, leader of the Khatmiyya, to the political evolution of the Sudan, 1884-1968. Ph. D. U of Exeter(UK), 1989. 537pp. DA50A:3338.BX86779.

Language

Keith Denning, The diachronic development of phonological voice quality, with special reference to Dinka and other Nilotic languages (Sudan). Ph.D. Stanford U, 1989. 267pp. DA50A:3933.901147.

Literature

Barbara D Peters, Power relations and conflict in selected works of Tayeb Salih: Implications for a new history (Sudan). Ph.D. U of Wisconsin - Madison, 1989. 264pp. DA50A:3948.8917115.

Physical Sciences

Ayman S Aguib, a technique for sediment process calculation in Aswan Reservoir using a hydrodynamic model and remote sensing data [Egypt & Sudan]. Ph. D. Ohio U, 1989. 179pp. DA50B:5211.9001909.

Political Science

Abdelrahman A Abdelrahman, The Political economy of International Monetary Fund-supported economic stabilization programs: The experience of the Sudan, 1966-1984. Ph.D., Michigan State U, 1989. 198pp. DA51A:0623. 9018659.

Abdelwahab A Osman, The political and ideological development of the Muslim Brotherhood in Sudan, 1945-1986. Ph.D. U of Readings (UK), 1989. 513pp. DA51A:0281. BX88539.

Religion

Ibrahim M Zein, Religion, legality and the state: 1983 Sudanese Fungl Code. Ph. D. Temple U, 1989. 377pp. DA50A:3264. 9007395.

Sociology

Siddig E Muneer, Agricultural corporations as a means for agricultural development: The case of western Sudan small farmers' cooperatives. Ph. D. Iowa State U, 1989. 152pp. DA50A:3081. 9001551.

SSSUK and SSA Joint Conference at Durham

This is the preliminary program received from the conference organizing committee. It is very important that those planning to present papers, or simply attend the meeting should send-in their papers and complete the request forms for lodging before the end of November, 90.

SUDAN STUDIES SOCIETY OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

WITH THE SUDAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION (SSA-USA) AND MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTE OF AFRICAN AND ASIAN STUDIES (IAAS-SUDAN)

Second International Studies Conference

SUDAN: ENVIRONMENT, AND PEOPLE

at University College, University of Durham

8 - 11 April 1991

PROVISIONAL CONFERENCE PROGRAMMEMonday 8th April 1991

Arrival of Participants in Durham

10.00-13.00
13.00-14.00
14.30-15.30

Registration University College

Informal lunch

Opening of the SSSUK Second International Conference

Opening addresses from

The Sudan Ambassador

Mrs Lynda Chalker

SSSUK President, Sir G. Bell

SSA representative

IAAS, UK representative

SSSUK-Durham, Miss Lesley

Forbes-practical information on

the conference and the Sudan

Archive

15.30-16.00
16.00-17.30
18.00-19.00
19.00-20.00
20.00

Tea

Informal discussions

Conference Mayoral reception Town Hall

Dinner

Informal discussions/Sudanese musician

Tuesday 9th April 1991

9.15-10.45

Elvet Riverside II

Room 140

Recent History I

Chair: Professor Yusuf Fadl Hasan

(1) William Y. Adams, *North and South in Sudanese History*.

(2) Professor G N Sanderson, *The legacy of the Condominium to the Independent Sudan*.

(3) Yoshiko Kurita, *The role of "the negroid, but detribalized" people in the Sudanese society, 1920-40*.

10.45-11.15

Coffee

11.15-12.45
Elvet Riverside II
Room 140

Resource Management I2

- (1) John Price and John Wright, *Mapping Sudan - Before and After Independence.*
- (2) Simon Bush, *Transport in the Sudan, a crisis?*
- (3) Karl Wohlmut, *New Industrial Policies in Sudan.*

13.00-14.00

Informal lunch

14.00-15.30
Elvet Riverside II
Room 9

A. Literature

- (1) Dr R.W.J. Austin, *A study of the archetypal role of women in Tayyib Salih's Mawsim al-Hijrah ila'sh-Shamal.*
- (2) Constance Berkley, *On the art of shaping a Sudanese Ethos.*
- (3) Tayyib Salih, talk on Sudanese literature.

Room *

B. Land Management I (local level)

- (1) C. Milton Coughenour, *Government, Ethnic group and Farmer relationships in Sudan.*
- (2) Victoria Bernal, *Labour markets and the rationality of household farming on the Blue Nile.*
- (3) Christian Delmet, *Land and people among the Awlad Tergam, Taragma villages, Shendi district, Sudan.*

15.30-16.00

Tea

16.00-17.30
Elvet Riverside II
Room 9

A. Culture I

- Abdulla el-Tayyeb, *The changing customs of the Riverain Sudan with regard to marriage.*
- (2) Claire Semple, *Jewellery and Ornament.*
- (3) Kably, talk on Sudanese music.

Room *

B. Land Management II (strategic level)

- (1) Nigel Nicholls, *On early warning systems and food aid policy.*
- (2) Mohamed el-Hadi Abu Sin, *Urban process and resource conservation and management in Sudan.*
- (3) Osman M. Ali et al, *The Nile, the lifeline of the Sudan - an ecological assessment over thirty years.*

17.30-18.30
Room 9

SSSUK Committee Meeting
SSA Committee Meeting

19.00-20.00

Informal dinner

20.00

Film show, cine films. e.g. Sudan Archive films

Exhibition Hall
or Music School Gallery

Wednesday 10th April 1991

9.15-10.45
Elvet Riverside I
Room 140

Culture II, Education

- (1) Professor Yusuf Fadl Hasan, *The development of the University system in Sudan.*
- (2) Dr Gasim Badri and Dr Edith H. Groberg, *The impact of cultural factors on children's critical and creative thinking.*
- (3) Rev M.R. Nikkel, *The dynamics of Christian identity and the growth of the church among the Dinka in the "post-missionary" era since the 1960s.*
- (4) Alan Woodruff, *Juba Medical School.*

10.45-11.15

Coffee
Demonstration of the Solar Cooker for arid countries by John Wright.
(weather permitting)

11.15-12.45
Elvet Riverside I
Room 9

A. History II

- (1) Peter Clark, *The Siege of Khartoum: Questions and some answers.*
- (2) Richard Lobban, *Pigs: their rise and fall in the ancient Nile Valley.*

Room 9

B. Water Resources

- (1) Abdul al Tayeb Zahran, *Rainfall monitoring programme.*
- (2) Harriet Nash, *Ground Water management in the Sudan, the function of Rural water organisation, plan and use.*
- (3) Ahmed al-Shahi, *"The Nile gives with one hand and takes with the other." The repercussions of recent flooding in the Shagiyya region of Northern Sudan.*
- (4) Robert O. Collins, *Nile Waters - Will They Flow?*

13.00-14.00

Informal lunch

14.00-15.30
Elvet Riverside II
Room *

A. History III

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- (1) Dr Fadwa Abdel Rahman Ali Taha, *Sayyed Abdel Rahman al Mahdi: Kingship and its implications on the history of the Sudanese Nationalist Movement.*
- (2) Albrecht Hofheinz, *From Fakt to Duktór: Changing attitudes towards tradition among Sudanese rural intellectuals.*
- (3) Professor G.R. Warburg, *The Revolutionary Command Council and the Sudan 1952-55, A Reappraisal.*

B. Conservation

- (1) Gunnar M. Sørbo, *Resource Management and the Problems of scale - Examples from eastern Sudan.*
- (2) Dr Hassan Abdel Nour et al, *Forestry in the Sudan.*
- (3) Ole R. Vetaas, *Change in abundance of perennial species in Erkowit, North Eastern Sudan.*

Tea

A. Politics

- (1) Bona Malwal, *Sudan: Three decades of elusive nationhood.*
- (2) Dr Carolyn Fleur-Lobban, *Legal and constitutional development appropriate to majority and minority populations in the Sudan.*
- (3) Ismail Abdulla, *Some structural impediments to democratic experiments in the Sudan.*
- (4) S.A. Khaddallo and Dr Ray Bush, *The Sudanese state, continuity and crisis.*

B. Linguistics

- (1) Dr James Dickins, *Definiteness and indefiniteness in Sudanese Arabic.*
- (2) Catherine Miller and al-Amin Abu Manga, *Arabic varieties spoken by non-Arab migrants in Khartoum: some linguistic features.*
- (3) Torbin Anderson,

C. Walking trip around Durham. D. Pocock.

Reception hosted by CMEIS

Conference Dinner with Guest Speaker

15.30-16.00

16.00-17.30
Elvet Riverside II
Room *

Room *

18.00-19.00
Senate Rooms
19.30-22.00

Thursday 11th April 1991

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9.15-10.45
Elvet Riverside II
Room *

Presentation of Short papers
A. Culture

- (1) Nacia Desiree Harkless, *Afrocentrism and Nubian scholarship.*
- (2) Dr Lee G. Burchinal, *Model for supplying educational materials to Sudanese Universities.*

Room *

B. Natural Resources

- (1) P.N. Kariuki, *Renewable Energy Potential for Clean Environment and Development of her People.*
- (2) Daniel A. Mamer, *Water Resources Management: the case of the Nile Valley.*

Room *

C. General

- (1) Hervé Bleuchot, a topical talk on the latest developments on the crisis in Darfur or the South.
- (2) Gerrard Prunier, a topical talk on the latest political developments in Sudan.

10.45-11.15

Coffee

11.15-12.45
Elvet Riverside II
Room 140

Convenors' summaries
Chair: Miss Joan Hall
(1) Culture
(2) Ecology and Biology
(3) Recent History
(4) Resource Management
Chairman's concluding remarks

13.00-14.00

Informal lunch

14.00

End of Conference

SUDAN STUDIES SOCIETY OF THE UNITED KINGDOM
Second International Sudan Studies Conference
to be held at The Castle, University of Durham
8-11 April 1991

Please complete the attached form and return it to the Conference organiser before 1 February 1991, if possible. Details of the Conference, with joining instructions and travel information will be sent to you in early February. Conference packs will be collected upon registration at the Conference itself.

Membership status

Ordinary SSSUK member/SSA member/IAAS member/non-member*
 Student SSSUK member/SSA member/IAAS member/non-member*
 Note: Students pay 25% reduction on the total cost.

Registration fees

Non-refundable, includes coffee and tea during the conference and the receptions on 8.4.90 and 10.4.90.

Paid before 1 February 1991	members	£30 (\$82)	non-members	£40 (\$81)
Paid after 1 February 1991	members	£40 (\$81)	non-members	£50 (\$100)
Paid at the Conference	members	£45 (\$88)	non-members	£55 (\$110)
Rate if only attending for one day	members	£10 (\$24)	non-members	£18 (\$30)

Conference papers

The Conference papers will be available in a bound volume on your arrival at the Conference at the Conference rate of £13 (\$25). Please indicate on the attached sheet is one or more is required.

Payment of fees

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The Editor:

Below please find the proposed amendments to the SSA Constitution suggested by the ad-hoc committee. Send in any changes you think are important. The final draft will be adopted by SSA membership soon.

**CONSTITUTION OF THE SUDAN STUDIES
ASSOCIATION**

Note: Original language for which amendment is suggested is placed between brackets (), followed immediately by the amendment. Words or sentences added are double underlined>.

ARTICLE ONE:

The name of this organization shall be The Sudan Studies Association, hereinafter referred to as the "Association".

ARTICLE TWO:

Section 1

The Association shall be organized for educational and scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. It shall promote the advancement of research, and shall facilitate the distribution of knowledge and understanding of the Sudan and its relationship to the wider world; it shall organize forums for the study and discussion of this Afro-Arab nation and its relationships with other nations and (cultures) peoples; it shall communicate information of general interest and educational and/or scholarly value in the field of Sudan studies; it shall assist, facilitate and improve communication and methods used to educate others and the public in general in the field of Sudan studies, and shall advance the application and publication of knowledge acquired in the study of the Sudan for the benefit of society in general and for the benefit of educational, scientific and professional aspects and interests of students and scholars of the Sudan.

Section 11

The Association shall encourage studies of the Sudan by:

- 1) sponsoring and organizing annual conferences and other appropriate forms of scholarly exchange
- 2) serving as a clearing house for scholarly work undertaken by its members in order to facilitate research and avoid duplication of effort
- 3) acting as a resource center for interested scholars and others seeking information and other material on the Sudan
- 4) serving as depository for published and unpublished articles on the Sudan provided to the Association by its members and friends
- 5) endeavoring to facilitate interchange among similar

organizations in other parts of the world

6) fostering a liaison and exchange programs between the Association and other scholarly institutions in the Sudan

7) informing members, individuals and institutions designated by the Executive Committee of relevant news pertaining to the Association throughout the year by newsletter.

ARTICLE THREE:

Membership

Section 1

Individuals, institutions, organizations, corporations, libraries, and other scientific, educational or business groups who support the purpose of the association as specified in Article Two, Section 1 of this constitution shall be eligible for membership

No individual or group shall be excluded from membership in the Association on the basis of regional or national origin, religious (outlook) beliefs, political ideas, (sex) gender, or ethnic affiliation.

Section 11

Individual members in good standing shall have full rights to nominate candidates for office in the Association, vote thereon, and hold such offices if duly elected; members shall be entitled to participate, under applicable rules, in the meetings, programs and other activities of the association.

Section 111

A member of the Association may resign upon written notification to the Executive Secretary. The Board of Directors, as constituted in accordance with ARTICLE FIVE, Section 11 of this Constitution, may remove any member from the membership rolls, whose acts are contrary to the ideals, purposes and accepted standards of the Association, or who makes improper use of membership of the Association. Such action may be over-ruled by a simple majority of the membership of the Association present at the annual Business Meeting. The Board of Directors may also, after providing a thirty-day written notice, terminate membership in the Association for non-payment of regular dues.

ARTICLE FOUR

Powers

Section 1

The Association shall have the power to receive, administer and disburse dues, assessments, and other grants to further its purposes; to acquire funds and hold them absolutely or in trust for the purposes of the Association and acquire or convey property, real or personal; to publish reports, bulletins, journals, and monographs; to facilitate with other organizations in the pursuit of common aims and the purposes herein stated and appoint delegates or representatives to such organizations; to establish

branches, sections, or divisions, on a regional or functional basis; to sponsor projects of research, demonstration, and experimentation; and to engage in such other activities as are necessary for the advancement of the purposes stated in Article 11 and for the furtherance of professional interests.

Section 11

No part of the net earnings of the Association shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and other distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth above.

No substantial part of the activities of the Association shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the association shall not participate in, or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the Association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any further United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any further United States Internal Revenue Law).

Section 111

The Association will not be an instrument or agent of any national government. The policies, programs of the Association will be determined solely and automatically by its elected leadership, appointed positions, and/or membership in a manner consistent with the constitution of the Association.

ARTICLE FIVE Organization

Section 1

The officers of the Association shall consist of a President, President-Elect, Executive Secretary, Secretary, Editor, and (15) six member Board.

Section 11 The Board

The Board of Directors shall consist of all of the above officers and the members of the board, herein referred to as the "Board". Members of the Board shall attend the meetings and participate in the business of the Board. [~~cross out the words: (of the Association)]~~ serve on sub-committees as may be established, and take on special assignments for the Board.

The Board may hold special meetings at the call of the

President upon giving fifteen days notice to each (director) member of the Board. Such notice may be given personally, by mail, [~~delete the word (by) telephone or telegraph, and which shall state time, place and purpose of the meetings.~~

Special meetings of the Board shall be called by the President at any time upon written demand of at least (three) five members of the board.

A quorum of a meeting of the Board shall consist of a simple majority of its elected (membership) members. [~~Delete the words: (or not less than fifteen members).~~

Questions shall be decided by the Board by a majority of the votes cast at any meeting or by mail ballot. In case of a tie vote, the (decision of the President shall be final) President casts the deciding vote.

The President alone may, or shall at the written request of any member of the Board, ask the Board to vote on specific questions by mail ballot. Ballots shall be mailed by the Executive Secretary who shall specify on the ballots the date on or before which they are to be placed in the mail for return to the Executive Secretary. This date shall be not less than thirty days or more than sixty days from the date they were (placed in the mail by the Executive Secretary) sent out.

Reports of officers, representatives, delegates, committees, and agents shall be approved by the Board. At the direction of the Board, these reports may be presented in full or in brief form at the annual Business Meetings.

The Board [~~delete the words (of Directors)]~~ shall act upon the budget provided by the (Treasurer) Executive Secretary. A budget shall be submitted by the Board at the annual Business Meeting for approval.

Certain duties of the Executive Secretary and the (Treasurer) Secretary and their assistants may be delegated by the Board to the extent the Board deems necessary when in the opinion of the Board these duties become too burdensome for the Executive Secretary and the (Treasurer) Secretary and their assistants, if any, to handle, and the Executive Secretary and the (Treasurer) Secretary and their assistants shall no longer be responsible for the performance of the duties so delegated by the Board.

Branches, sections, or divisions of the Associations may be established by the vote of the Board provided that the presiding officer and one half or more of the membership of such organization shall be and remain members of the Sudan Studies Association.

Section 111 Removal From Office

Any member of the Board who misses two consecutive meetings of the Board may be subject to removal for nonattendance. Written notification of this possibility will be provided after the first missed meeting with dismissal action possible by a two-thirds vote of the Board during (or subsequent to) the second missed meeting. Such vacated offices shall be filled immediately in accordance with Article Five, Section 6. Members of the Board, including all officers, may also be removed from office by a majority vote of the total membership, voting in a mail referendum as provided in

Article Eight, initiated by at least 1000 members is good standing. A Member of the Board may resign at any time.

Section IV

The President, and President-Elect shall be elected for a (one year) two year term at the conclusion of which the President terminates his/her office and this office is succeeded to by the President-Elect who will serve a (one year) two-year term as President. A new President-Elect is elected (each year) every two years. The Executive Secretary and (Treasurer) Secretary shall be elected in alternate years, each to serve a term of (two) three years. This policy shall be instituted in the first instance with the Executive Secretary serving only one year. The members of the Board shall be elected, (five) two each year, for a term of three years. This policy shall be instituted in the first instance by (five) two elected Board members with the greatest number of votes serving a three year term: Successive annual elections will replace the Board Members as their terms expire. [Cross out the following sentence: (The Executive Secretary shall be appointed by the Board for a term of three years, subject to reappointment by the Board)]. The Editor shall be appointed by the Board for a term of two years, and may be re-appointed for another term [Cross out the following sentence: (at which time new nominees are solicited)].

Section V

The Board [cross out the following words: (of Directors)] may, appoint, upon their acceptance, scholars to serve in any advisory capacity as Honorary Fellows of the Association.

Section VI

Officers shall assume Office at the outset of the Annual Business meeting at which each is declared to be elected. An officer of the Association shall be eligible for re-election to the same position just held until a period of two years has passed expired since last holding that position. In the event of a vacancy in any office, through absence, death, resignation, or incapacity, the Board shall have the power to make interim appointments to (the) that office. The appointment shall terminate at the next Annual Business Meeting. The remaining term of the office shall be filled by election at the next annual election or by election at the Annual Business Meeting of the Association. Individuals so appointed or elected to interim terms for periods of one half or less of the normal elective term may be elected to that office for an immediate subsequent term.

Section VII

Subject to general directives and limitations imposed by a majority of the membership at the Annual Business Meeting, any Special Meeting, or by mail ballot, the Board as a collective body, properly assembled, shall have the authority to execute on behalf of the Association all powers and functions of the

Association as defined in this constitution, and further may perform any act necessary or appropriate for the administration of the affairs of the Association.

ARTICLE SIX:

Duties of Officers

Section 1 President

The President shall be the presiding officer of the Association and Chairperson of the Board. The President shall exercise all the duties and responsibilities commonly associated with this office, except as otherwise specified in this Constitution.

The President shall appoint representatives of the Association to other Associations, agencies, or councils or select such representatives from slates submitted by other associations, agencies, or councils.

Acting on the advice and with consent of the Board, the President shall appoint all necessary Committees and define their duties.

The President and [cross out the word (either)] the Executive Secretary [cross out (or Treasurer)] shall sign all written contracts authorized by the Board, except that basic contracts for printing and other matters necessary to publications shall be signed by the President and Executive Secretary [cross out (and the Editor)].

The actions of the President in exercising the duties and responsibilities of the office shall be subject to review and approval of the Board.

In the event the President is unable to fulfill the duties of the office, these duties shall be assumed by the President-Elect. In the event the President-Elect is unable to assume the duties of the President, the Board shall appoint one of their numbers to assume the office of the President and shall make appropriate and necessary adjustments to provide a smooth succession of the offices of President and President-Elect until these offices can be filled by an annual election.

Section 11 Executive Secretary

The Executive Secretary shall have general charge of administrative matters under the direction of the President; shall act as secretary to the Board; shall render an annual report to the Board which upon approval shall be presented at the annual Business Meeting and included in the Minutes of the meeting; and may, subject to authorization and budgetary provisions by the Board employ clerical assistance.

The Executive Secretary shall compile the minutes of [cross out (Annual Business Meeting)] Special, Regional, and Joint Meetings of the Association which shall include the reports of all officers, committees, delegates, and representatives required to make such reports. All such minutes shall form the annual Report of the Association which shall be published in the Newsletter or another publication of the Association.

[Cross out the following paragraph: (In the case of a non-Business corporation, each corporation is required to file a biennial report due March 1st in each year following the year of incorporation. The applicable report will be mailed to the first incorporated name listed on the Articles of Association the year the report is due. The filing fee is \$10.00.)].

[Cross out the words: (Section 3 Treasurer)] The Executive Secretary [cross out the following words: (the Treasurer)] shall be responsible for the administration of the finances of the Association subject to budgetary and regulations approved by the Board and [cross out the words: (the Treasurer)] shall be the Association's fiscal agent in dealing with other persons or organizations which may be employed on behalf of the Association by the Board to handle the funds of the Association. The Executive Secretary [cross out the words: (The Treasurer)] shall be responsible for the maintenance of proper and adequate records which at all times shall be open to inspection by the Board. The Executive Secretary [cross out the words (The Treasurer)] shall submit a budget for the ensuing year and shall render an annual report which when approved by the Board shall be presented at the Annual Business Meeting for approval by the majority of the membership present. The annual report when published shall include a report of an audit of the books of the Association by Certified Public Accountant.

The Executive Secretary [cross out the words (The Treasurer)] shall receive the proceeds for the surplus copies of publications owned by the Association [cross out the words (and shared by the Secretariat. The Treasurer shall provide the Executive Secretary with an up-to date list of members)].

[Cross out the words: (Section 5 Executive Secretary)] The Executive Secretary, subject to the directive of the Board, shall be responsible for the maintenance of the central office of the Association, and shall have custody of the books and records of the Association as the Board may provide.

The Executive Secretary shall be a professional member of the staff of the institution housing the association Secretariat and will perform liaison with the host institution, and similar professional associations.

The Executive Secretary shall oversee the routine operations of the Secretariat and shall coordinate the flow of correspondence addressed to the Association to ensure that the appropriate officers and members are in timely receipt of such correspondence so that they remain abreast of Association affairs. [Cross out the following sentence: (The Executive Secretary shall assure timely mailing of the newsletter, other Association's mailings using an up-to-date list of members provided by the Treasurer)].

The Executive Secretary shall store surplus Association publications and arrange for their sale. The proceeds from such sales are to be kept in the Association's accounts. [Cross out the following sentences: (The proceeds shall be forwarded to the Treasurer)]. The Executive Secretary shall be available to arrange Association's meetings. [Cross out the following sentences:

(should they take place at the Secretariat. The Executive Secretary shall be a member of the Board)]. The Executive Secretary may, subject to authorization and budgetary provision by the Board, employ clerical and editorial assistance.

In the event of absence, death, or incapacity of the (Treasurer) Executive Secretary, the Secretary shall have power to receive and disburse funds of the Association. Such powers shall remain in force until a successor to the (Treasurer) Executive Secretary is appointed or elected.

Section 111 The Secretary

The Secretary shall compile the minutes of the Annual Business Meetings, shall see to it that the membership and mailing list for the distribution of the publications of the Associations are maintained, and shall provide the Executive Secretary and the Editor with an up-to-date list of all members. In fulfilling these duties, the Secretary shall work closely with the Executive Secretary and the Editor.

Section IV Editor

The Editor shall have full charge of the Newsletter and all other publications of the association under the direction of the Board, and subject to the provisions of this Constitution, may make minor adjustments in basic contracts relating to publications, and, subject to the approval of the Board, may enter into agreements with individuals and institutions for financing publications. The editor shall certify to the (Treasurer) Executive Secretary all bills relating to publications and distribution of publications. The Editor may, subject to review by the Board, appoint Associate and Assistant Editors. The Associate and Assistant Editors shall serve concurrently with and under the direction of the Editor, to whom they shall be responsible. The editor may, subject to authorization and budgetary provisions by the Board, employ clerical and editorial assistance.

[Cross out the words: (Section 6 Members of the Board) which now appears under Article Five, Section 11]

Section V Regional Representation

Members in good standing may volunteer or be appointed by the President to serve unlimited terms as Regional Representatives. These representatives are encouraged to serve in an advisory capacity to the (Executive Committee) Board to represent the Association in their region, and to promote the affairs of the Association in their communities and institutions.

[Cross out (Section 8 Board of the Association), which is now combined with Article Five, Section 11].

ARTICLE SEVEN Elections

Section 1

Before June 30th of each year the (Board) President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three, of which no more than one shall be a current member of the Board for offices whose terms will expire in that year.

For the offices of the Executive Secretary and (Treasurer) Secretary the Nominating Committee shall nominate at least one and not more than three member candidates, in the years in which their respective terms expire. For other offices the Nominating Committee shall nominate at least two and not more than three member candidates. All prospective nominees must indicate in writing their willingness to serve as officers of the association. The list of nominees shall be mailed to individual members of the Association in accordance with the provisions of Article VII, Section 3 of the Constitution.

Section 2

The Executive Secretary shall appoint without review by the Board, and whenever necessary, two tellers who shall act with the Executive Secretary as an Elections Committee. The Executive Secretary shall be chairperson of the Committee. Elections shall be administered by this Committee.

Section 3

Each member in good standing shall be entitled to vote for one candidate for each office. Voting shall be by mail ballot, or in case of the Business Meeting, by show of hands. No identification of voter shall appear on the ballot. Ballots shall be mailed to members of the Association by the Executive Secretary at least sixty days before the annual Business Meeting. To be counted as votes, ballots must be in the hands of the Executive Secretary on or before a date specified by the Executive Secretary but not less than ten days before the Annual Business meeting. The results of the elections shall be announced by the Election Committee at the Annual Business Meeting. The Candidate for an office who receive the highest number of votes shall be declared elected to that office. In the event of a tie vote, the Elections Committee shall hold a run-off election at the Annual Business Meeting.

Section 4

A referendum vote shall be held by mail ballot at any time upon the initiation of the Board, or a signed petition to the Board, by 2/3 of the individual membership. In order that they may be counted as votes, ballots must be placed in the mail be members and addressed to the Executive Secretary not more than sixty days after the date when they were mailed to members by the Executive Secretary. A Majority of votes received shall constitute the deciding vote. The Executive Secretary shall certify the vote to the Board.

Section 1

The Association shall hold an Annual Business Meeting at a time and place to be designated by the Board. A quorum for elections and the transaction of business at any meeting of the Association shall consist of ten percent of the its members or twenty members, which ever is smaller. [Delete the following sentence: (A quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board shall consist of a majority of its elected members)].

Section 11

Due notice of place, date and time of the next Annual Business Meeting and a list of nominees for vacant offices shall be published in the newsletter and/or mailed by the Executive Secretary to the members at least ninety days in advance of the date of the meeting. Notices of special Meetings shall be mailed by the Executive Secretary to members at least sixty days in advance of the meeting.

Section 111

The Board may direct the Association to hold scholarly meetings, at which papers and reports of scientific interest are presented and symposia and discussions held, and the Board shall determine the time and place of these meetings. The Board shall then appoint a Program Chairperson and a local Arrangements Chairperson. These individuals shall have the responsibility of designing the form and content of the program and arranging for accommodations and facilities, in consultations with the Board. Notice of scholarly, joint or regional meetings shall be mailed by the Executive Secretary to the members as far in advance of the date of the meeting as possible and the preliminary program shall be mailed to members at least sixty days in advance of the meeting. Programs for joint or regional meetings shall be the responsibility of persons or special committees appointed by the President as conditions require.

Sections 1V

Special meetings shall be called by the President at any time at the direction of the Board. Any matter of business may be decided at a Special Meeting provided notice of such business is specified in the call. Joint or Scholarly Meetings for the purpose of discussing scholarly problems, symposia, and matters of mutual interest among scholars may be called upon the direction by the Board, [delete the words: (of Directors)] in both cases at least sixty days advance notice shall be given.

Section V

An annual meeting of the Board shall be held before the Annual Business meeting of the Association. Special meetings of the Board may be held at the call of the President. The President shall call a special meeting of the Board at any time upon the written demand of at least three members thereof, provided at least sixty days advance notice is given.

Section VI

All matters of business of the Association may be decided by means of a referendum vote by mail ballot under the conditions specified in Article Eight, Section --.

Section VII

The Board shall be empowered to (submit) carry out resolutions or motions passed at the Annual Business Meeting. [Cross out the following words: (for ratification by the membership in a mail ballot)]. If a resolution or motion passed at the Annual Business Meeting is not supported by a majority of the members of the Board, ratification by membership in a mail ballot shall be mandatory. The ballots shall be sent out by the Executive Secretary within thirty days of the Annual Business Meeting and returned to the Executive Secretary within sixty days of the mailing.

Section VIII

All resolutions adopted by the Association must fall within the scope of the objectives of the Sudan Studies association as stated in Article Two of the Constitution; those outside the scope of these objectives are to be ruled out of order. Resolutions must be posted conspicuously by the Executive Secretary at least 24 hours before the Annual Business Meeting and be distributed at the meeting.

Section IX

In the event that 50 members of the Association consider that a resolution adopted by the members of the Board or by the Annual Business meeting is unrelated to the objectives set forth in Article Two of the Constitution, the officers of the Association shall be required to submit the question of its appropriateness to a mail vote by all members of the Association.

ARTICLE TEN**Section I**

The Fiscal year of the Association shall be set by the Board.

Section II

Annual dues shall be fixed by the Board in the following categories: Honorary, Institutional, Faculty, Associate (non-faculty), and Student.

Section III

The Board shall determine whether there will be a type membership, such as sustaining (Life) Members, that provide long-term membership privileges resulting from special dues or the conferment of special status, as with retired persons or those in

the position of Emeritus Professor.

Section IV

The annual dues of a husband or a wife, who shall receive publications and communications of the associations as if they were a single member, but who otherwise shall have other privileges as if they were individual members, shall have their dues reduced by an amount determined by the Board.

Section V

Annual dues shall be payable on a date set by the Board. members ninety days in arrears shall not be entitled to receive the Association's publications or vote, and those one year in arrears may, after final 30 day notification, be dropped from the rolls. Members thus dropped may be reinstated by payment of their arrearages.

Section VI

The Board may direct the transfer of sums of money from the working Fund to a Permanent Fund which shall be invested in the name of the Association in a manner not inconsistent with the requirements of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Section VII

The income from annual dues and from investments and other sources shall constitute the Working Fund, available for operation, and other (current) recurrent expenses consistent with the purposes of the Association as the Board may direct.

Section VIII

No financial obligation in excess of funds available in the treasury shall be assumed by the Board or by any officer on behalf of the Association except when approved by a two-thirds vote of the membership of the Association present at a regular Annual Business Meeting or at a Special Meeting; provided that for the purpose of this section, estimated receipts from annual dues and other accounts receivable for the current year may be considered as receivable funds.

Section IX

The Association shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

Section X

The Association shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

Section XI

The Association shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

Section XII

The Association shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any Federal tax laws.

ARTICLE ELEVEN Indemnification

The Association shall indemnify any officer or member of the Board [cross out the words: (of the Association)] for expenses and costs (including attorney's fees) actually and necessarily incurred by him or her in connection with any claim asserted against him or her, by action in court or otherwise, by reason of his or her being, having been, such officer or member of the Board, except in relation to matters as to which he or she shall have been guilty of gross negligence or criminal misconduct with respect to the matter in which indemnity is sought.

ARTICLE TWELVE Amendments**Section 1**

The Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a mail vote of them members. Two-thirds of the votes cast are sufficient for approval. Approved amendments shall be recorded with the Department of the State of the State of incorporation.

Section 2

This Constitution may be amended by mail vote of the members. A majority of the votes cast is sufficient for approval.

Section 3

Amendments may be proposed by the Board or by 2% of the membership of the Association. The proposed amendments shall be mailed to the members of the Association by the Executive Secretary. Members shall address ballots to the Executive Secretary and place them in the mail not more than sixty days from the date they were mailed out by the Executive Secretary. An amendment shall go into effect immediately upon adoption otherwise as specifically provided.

Section 4

The amendments and provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and the Constitution shall supersede and nullify all previous enactments in conflict with them.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board shall, after paying or making provisions for payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation, to the Institute of the African and Asian Studies at the University of Khartoum, SUDAN, and have these assets and / or funds be allocated exclusively for the purchase of research material. If the said Institute is no longer functioning, the funds and / or assets should be allocated in the same restrictive manner to the Sudan Library at the University of Khartoum, Khartoum, SUDAN or if the Sudan Library is no longer functioning, the funds and / or assets shall be given to the general treasury of the University of Khartoum for any purposes which would not be excluded by Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the County in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

BY LAWS**Section 1 Honors**

The Association shall encourage meritorious achievements in Sudan Studies Association by awarding honors in special recognition of outstanding contributions toward the advancement of the purposes of the Association. The contributions recognized might be in research, applied research, writing, teaching, committee work, administrative work, collaborative work with other non-Sudanists, or in other related aspects of the professional concern for the field of Sudanese Studies. Recognition may take the form of grants for further advancing or complementing the contributions already made, citations, medals, or other form appropriate to the purpose of such recognition. An Honors Committee shall submit to the Board nominations for such awards accompanied by a statement indicating the contribution which forms the basis of the proposed award. At the Annual Meeting the Chair of the Honors Committee or a designee, shall announce the award of such honors as shall have been approved.

Section 2

It shall be the responsibility of the Past President to address the Annual Meeting.

Section 3 Publications

The Association shall issue such directories, bibliographies, or other publications in agreement with Article Two as the members of the Board determine.

Section 4 Research

The Association shall assume the responsibility of helping

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to stimulate research in the field of Sudan studies. As funds are available in the Association competitive grants are to be awarded to support such research and publication efforts.

IMPORTANT NOTICE**Advance Booking Form for Sudan Archives at Durham**

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Name.....
 Address.....
 Dates on which you wish to consult material in the Sudan Archives.....
 Topic(s).....
 Detail of the material to be consulted, e.g. name of the collection, file reference(s), if known.....

Normal activities of the SSA include the publication of the Newsletter, organizing annual meetings for the exchange of ideas, and recommending research candidates for affiliation with appropriate institutes in the Sudan. The Association also sponsors panels and programs during the meetings of other academic organizations. It occasionally publishes the proceedings of its annual meetings in book form.

For further information please contact any of the past presidents or officers listed on the front cover. For membership, program information, or back issues of newsletter, write to the Executive Secretary. For book reviews, change of address, news releases and information to be communicated to the membership contact this editor.

The SSA is legally incorporated as a non-profit organization and all contributions are tax-exempt. Membership is for each calendar year which entitles the subscriber to receive four issues of the newsletter, and to discounted registration rates for attending the annual meetings of the Association.

These categories of membership are available.

Honorary:	By recommendation of the Board	
Regular membership:		\$ 30.00
Students, Retired, Unemployed:		5.00
Non-Profit Institutions:		30.00
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