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Sudan Law Reform Update

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Welcome to the fifteenth issue of the Sudan law reform update. The Project for Criminal Law Reform in Sudan (PCLRS) provides this regular service with a view to informing those working on, and interested in, law reform and human rights of relevant developments. The update includes a comment on recent developments as well as a summary of the news (largely based on English language media sources) on law reform and other developments. It aims to serve as a platform for sharing of information, comments and opinions on any issues related to law reform and human rights in Sudan. This issue covers developments up to 30 September 2011.

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