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## John Garang & the Vision of New Sudan

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### Synopsis

The objective of this book is to tackle the crux of Dr. John Grangâ€™s vision of the new Sudan. Roba Gibia shows that the power greed and inhumane behaviour of the ruling elites in the central government are the causes to the marginalization, suffering, war, deaths and destruction of the majority of the Sudanese people. The author concludes that considering Dr. Grangâ€™s vision of new Sudan, however, is the best if not the only way to keep the country united and enable the diverse Sudanese people to coexist peacefully as one nation.

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### About the Author

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## Book Review

This outstanding book illustrates eloquently that illiteracy, poverty and totalitarian rule in Sudan contributed gravely in fuelling community conflicts in the country. Tribalism and ethnic conflicts has become the main feature of the Sudanese people and especially in southern Sudan. The formation of government and appointments in the key positions are based on tribal lines which breeds nepotism and corruption in the government institutions. The lack of ideal political parties in south, made the conviction of each person to its tribe as the base for empowerment and fighting always for tribe's share instead of political party and nation. This created a golden opportunity to Khartoum government to divide the Sudanese people on tribal grounds and turn them against

each other like the southern militias and Janjaweed to achieve its political goals. The book discusses and analyzes the predicament of Sudan's conflicts and exploitation of religion to achieve political objectives and its imposition on others. The book is also calling on the marginalized people of Sudan to unite in order to achieve their liberty and realize their vision of new Sudan which has been initiated by late Dr. John Garang de Mabior whose message is for all regardless of color, gender, religion and ethnicity. The book draws the attention of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement (SPLM) led-Government of Southern Sudan to the dilemma of southern Sudan construction and the anxiety of Southern Sudanese people after the slain of Dr. John Garang de Mabior. The book is meant for all interested in Sudan/Africa's affairs to provide a unique and inclusive assessment of Sudan's complicated issues.

Praise for the Author

Please do not stop

voicing your opposition  
to the plundering of the  
south by the north, even  
if you are but one small  
candle in the darkest of  
days, let that small light  
shine on to show the  
way to your Southern  
Brothers that they can  
prevailâ€”do not  
falterâ€”do not  
surrender your birthright  
and stand firm. More  
strength to your arm  
and more power to your  
voice!

â€”Paul Austin â€”  
London

Great and a real  
warrior, you have fought  
hundred times than who  
physically fought in  
Southern Sudan at  
large.

â€”Jackson Ajou â€”  
Kenya

It is hard to find  
educative writer like you  
on southern Sudan  
issues, your writings are  
always too educative.  
You will be regarded as  
mentor to all southern  
Sudanese people.

â€”Peter Ojwal Diing  
â€” Canada

We need five more  
Sudanese like you and  
we shall live in what  
one would call a country  
of peace.

â€”Agook Mayek  
â€”Australia

An intellectual like you  
is a light to the people  
of southern Sudan and  
marginalized Sudanese  
people in general.

â€”Sandro Chuar Juet  
â€”USA

I salute you to get  
involved in our  
government activity  
even though I know that  
it is hard for people like  
you who understand  
democracy and when  
they go to southern  
Sudan, they will see our  
SPLM politicians still  
preaching tribalism.  
Tribalism is the chance  
for Sudan government  
to kill us because SPLA  
was formed under  
tribes, then they have to  
treat every tribe equally,  
if not, it will cause  
another disaster to our  
great land, Southern  
Sudan.

â€”Choul Dugak â€”  
USA

I am glad we have  
visionary and articulate  
writers like you in  
southern Sudan.

â€”Dr. Mawien Akot â€”  
UK

Keep on holding that  
mirror so that the  
Sudanese people see  
what they do not see,

right from the top  
leadership positions to  
the lowest position.

â€”Mawut Guguei â€”  
Southern Sudan

Your writings are full of  
facts, information and  
neutrality. May God  
continue to give you  
wisdom like King  
Solomon so that you  
continue voicing the  
voice of voiceless?

â€”Jacob Bayu K.  
Walla â€” Norway

I have always  
respected your writings  
and that I call you a  
people's person, thumb  
up!

â€”Jok Wel â€” USA

We hope that a true  
and lasting peace in  
every sense of the word  
will be the future of  
Sudan. It is wonderful to  
be able to read your  
thoughts here in  
Pennsylvania. We live  
in an amazing time.

â€”Priscilla Benner  
â€”USA

One has to remove his  
hat and bow for your  
article "It is not bad to  
dream". You touched  
every single weakness  
particularly in southern  
Sudanese and  
marginalized people of  
the Sudan. Use shorter

name in your writings  
because I wanted you  
to be on everybody's  
lips.

â€”Alier Jok â€”  
Southern Sudan

In reading your concise  
overview of what is  
really going on in  
Sudan, I must admit I  
am new to  
understanding the  
horrific situation of  
Darfur and Sudan. Your  
article today helped me  
to confirm what I  
thought to be true. I  
look forward to reading  
and learning more.

â€”Haaspezmaâ€”France

When I read your  
article my tears falls  
down. I began to ask  
myself, who is this guy  
talks like this? Where is  
he now, while I always  
checked the  
government of southern  
Sudan documents but I  
never get this amazing  
name ROBA.

â€”Elijah Hon Geah â€”  
Sudan

You are a true born  
Southern Sudanese  
brave man who is  
concerned of his  
people. It pains me so  
much when I read of  
Khartoum government  
building military ties with

China, it is clear signal  
of war against  
Southerners.

â€”Hakim Monykuer  
Awuok â€” Sudan

Your analysis of  
Garang's death is  
interesting! You may  
find in my last published  
book, few months ago,  
some indications.

â€”Dr. Zygmunt L.  
Ostrowski â€” Writer  
You are a great man  
and you are the best.

â€”Mohamed Nagi â€”  
France

I did enjoy reading your  
article. That was so  
wonderful! I think you  
should decide taking up  
a career in international  
diplomacy.

â€”Richard Ayine â€”  
Southern Sudan

I am southern  
Sudanese citizen I lived  
in Kenya but currently  
am at home in Yei town  
southern Sudan. I wish  
the government of  
southern Sudan to pass  
across your article. I will  
assure you today in this  
small city that many  
people will read this  
message from a true  
son of Africa.

â€”Bol Jeroboam  
Macuor â€” Sudan

Your article about tribal  
conflict in Western  
Equatoria state was an  
excellent article that  
each and every  
Southerner should  
appreciate and level  
you as a brave man.

â€”Patrice Wani â€”  
Sudan