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SUDAN25 students - members of the African National Front (ANF)

On 4 June, the 25 student members of the African National Front (ANF) who had been arrested on 21 May, were sentenced to three weeks imprisonment and fined ten thousand Sudanese Dinars (40 US\$) each.

Two weeks of the sentences were deducted as they had already spent this time in detention pre-trial. All 25 were also put on probation for three years.

The students had been charged with several offences ranging from "war against the State" to sedition and could have been sentenced to death if found guilty. However, they were found guilty on minor charges only with all other charges against them being dismissed.

No further action from the UA network is required. Many thanks to all who sent appeals on their behalf.