

Leaked Documents Allege Sudanese Army Weapons Pipeline to TPLF-Aligned Forces as Tigray War Reignites



A leaked intelligence documents allege that Sudan's army leadership under Abdel Fattah al-Burhan supplied weapons to armed groups aligned with the Tigray People's Liberation Front. The report further alleges that the army stockpiled and transferred drone components, tactical rocket systems and what it describes as custom chemical weapon payloads, intended for deployment along the borders of the Horn of Africa.

The leak lands as fighting in northern Ethiopia reignites and as Addis Ababa grows more vocal about outside involvement. Ethiopia's army commander has accused Sudan and Egypt of backing armed groups fighting his troops, arguing that such groups could achieve no gains unless backed, supported and supplied by outside powers. The Sudanese military called the allegations baseless and counter-alleged that the RSF receives support from Ethiopian territory. Eritrea is part of the picture as well: last week Ethiopia severed all diplomatic relations with Asmara, citing its active involvement in the recent escalation between the TPLF and Ethiopia's federal government.

The Ethiopian government has accused the SAF of backing the TPLF, which the SAF denies, and is increasingly unsettled by reports of Tigrayan fighters operating alongside the SAF in eastern Sudan, close to Ethiopia's own border. Analysts describe Eritrea as close to the Sudanese army even as relations between Ethiopia and the SAF deteriorate. Against that backdrop, the leaked report's claim is not out of keeping with the region's alignments, and it is easy to see why it will resonate in Addis Ababa.

Two strands make the claim credible enough to investigate. First, the personnel link. Tigrayan fighters who went into exile in Sudan reportedly organized as "Army 70" and fought alongside the SAF against the RSF. In early August, reporting says the unit crossed from Sudan into Ethiopia and targeted Ethiopian military forces near Shererina. That the unit operates from Sudanese territory is what makes the allegation worth testing.

Second, capacity. Sudan's army has been buying drones and munitions at scale. A Washington Post investigation described a covert shipment of Turkish drones and missiles delivered to the Sudanese army, with a Baykar team on the ground. The ten-page memorandum reviewed for this report records a separate acceptance of armed UAV equipment by a customer representative, and those items fit the same pattern of acquisition.



The image shows a military loitering munition (suicide drone) canister payload, specifically the AeroVironment Mayhem 10 system.

The leaked report also includes photographs of stockpiles alongside a ten-page military procurement log.

The memorandum records inspections on 3 and 4 February 2025 under a proforma invoice numbered 071749749-02. A customer representative accepts three M-6 UAVs, three fire-control units, twelve bomb-release units and four surveillance payloads, with ground support equipment and spares listed on later pages. The February signatures cite a proforma invoice neither the supplier nor its country is named. The accompanying Arabic letter certifies that a Toyota box-body vehicle belongs to a Sudanese army command.

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heavy-duty, tactical transport equipment

military-style crates and ammunition boxes

Horn Review's visual review of photographs found equipment consistent with a UAV system: ground-station and payload-control hardware, hydraulic lift stands, radio-frequency and data-link electronics, and what appear to be bomb-release units. One item, a grey body with a yellow nose section in a foam-lined case and a red tag reading "SWITCH WARHEAD ON/BEFORE...", has been read both as a drone airframe and as a guided munition whose data plate appears to read "GB-20." An ordnance specialist needs to determine which. All identifications rest on visual inspection. A match to a procurement record shows the type is in Sudanese service. It does not show who held the items when they were photographed.

Memorandum of Understanding			
Ground and Logistic Support Equipment List (PFI NO: 071749749-02)		Date: 11 JUN 2025	
NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
Ground Support Equipment (Supporting Equipment)			
1	Engine Battery Charger with Cable	1	Device
2	Airplane Battery Charger with Cable	1	Device
3	Air Compressor	1	System
4	Air Pressure Gauge	1	System
5	Spiral Air Hose 15m	1	Piece
6	Air Duster Gun	1	Piece
7	Night Flight Facility	1	Set
8	UAV Ground Stopper	2	Set
9	Ballast	30	Kg
10	UAV Trolley	1	System
11	Parachute Girth Tester	2	Device
12	Extension Electric Cable Reel 25m	1	Piece
13	Lift Table	1	Piece
14	Power Supply	1	Device
15	External Power Cable	1	Set
16	External Battery Cable	1	Set
17	UAV Assembling Stands	2	Piece
18	Cooler Fan	2	Set
19	Handheld Wireless Intercom	1	System
20	Soldering System	1	Device
21	Multi-Meter	1	Piece
22	Bomb kit	2	Set
23	Funnel with filter	1	Piece
24	Ground Fueling Pump	1	System

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Integrated Logistic Support Packages1- (Expendable & Spare Parts)			
NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
1	Composite Repair Utility	1	Package
2	Engine Oil	60	Liter
3	Oil Hose	3	meter
4	Oil Filter	3	Piece
5	Fuel Filter	3	Piece
6	Fuel Hose inside the tank	9	meter
7	Silicon Hose	3	Piece
8	Express (Thermo) Sleeve	3	meter
9	Throttle Wire with Cover	3	Piece
10	Water Hose Engine	3	Piece
11	Fire Sleeve	3	Piece
12	Spark Plug	24	Piece
13	Starter Relay	1	Piece
14	Propeller Set	1	Set
15	Fuel Tank Drain Cap	1	Piece
16	O-ring 122*2	3	Piece
17	Engine Coolant Hose	1	Set
18	Air Filter	2	Piece
19	Anti-Ice	10	Liter
20	Distilled Water	10	Liter
22	Hose 1/4	3	meter
23	Hose 3/8	9	meter
24	Engine Fuel Pump	1	Piece
25	In Tank Fuel Pump	1	Piece
26	Conic Filter of Tank	6	Piece
27	Alternator Belt	3	Piece
28	Nose Landing Shock absorber	3	Piece

The leaked report reportedly links the transfer to chemical stocks, and Sudan faces separate chemical allegations, that the Sudanese army built, tested and stockpiled chlorine bombs. The New York Times and The Washington Post published investigations on 5 September 2026 based on leaked files. Messages cited by the Post indicated that as many as 290 chemical munitions were stockpiled at Merowe Air Base and that 106 had been used. The army denies the allegation, and a Sudanese investigation reportedly found no evidence of chemical or radioactive contamination. These investigations concern the army's use of chlorine in its war against the RSF. Given that the broader logistics pipeline has already successfully diverted sophisticated drone platforms and heavy guided munitions to the TPLF, the leaked intelligence report suggests that these established, clandestine supply routes may have similarly been exploited to transfer a portion of Khartoum's tactical chemical stockpile directly into TPLF hands.



The image shows a large stack of 9M22U 122mm artillery rockets (commonly fired from the BM-21 Grad multiple rocket launcher system)

Ethiopia has accused Eritrea of backing the TPLF's hardliners. In a letter to the UN Secretary-General dated 2 October 2025, Ethiopia's foreign minister accused Eritrea and a hardline TPLF faction of forming an alliance called "Tsimdo" to wage war against Ethiopia. In January 2026, Ethiopian police alleged an Eritrean link in an ammunition seizure after stopping a freight truck at Woldia that was travelling from Mekelle. Eritrea rejects the accusations. Geography offers two possible routes into Tigray, across the Sudan–Ethiopia border or through Eritrea.



This object is a tactical satellite communications (SATCOM) radome (specifically a SOTM or Satcom-on-the-Move terminal protective enclosure), stored securely in a heavy-duty military transit flight case.

ANNEX

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

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On 3 FEB 2025, in Supplier's Country, the equipment's of PFI NO: 071745748-02 Date: 11 JUN 2025 was visual check and technical inspections and final approval by the customer legal representative.

1) According between agreement for supplier legal representative and customer legal representative, the customer choose the UAV MS No: 223 for flight & others UAV (NO: 236 & NO: 284) checked on the ground. all of the UAV MS was visual checked and confirmed technical inspections and final approval and technical acceptance by the customer legal representative.

2) According between agreement for supplier legal representative and customer legal representative, the customer choose the surveillance payload NO: 02031 & others surveillance payloads (NO: 3033 & NO: 2030 & NO: 0023) checked on the ground. all of the surveillance payloads were visual checked and confirmed technical inspections and final approval and technical acceptance by the customer legal representative.

3) ALL of the UAV MS(subjects of the top the PFI) with the FCU and BRU was checked and confirmed technical inspections and final approval and technical acceptance by the customer legal representative.

Therefore, all of the equipment's in Table below was visual checked and confirmed technical inspections and final approval and technical acceptance by the customer legal representative.

No.	Equipment and Services	UNIT	QTY	Description
1	M-6 UAV	System	3	223-226-234
✓ 2	UAV Fire Control Unit (FCU)	Set	3	} Next Day
✓ 3	UAV Bomb Release Unit (BRU)	Set	12	
4	Surveillance & Reconnaissance & military Payloads	4-B2 System	4	1061203402031 1061203403035 1061203403031 106120310023

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1) According PFI NO: 071749749-02 Date: 11 JUN 2025, Item 5 including the Ground support and logistics equipment, all of there was visual checked and confirmed technical inspections and final approval and technical acceptance by the customer legal representative.

*It should be noted that the submitted proposal is general and item 5 also includes the UAV and GCS. Due the customer purchase, the supplier does not any obligation to provide GCS's Items such as (80 to 87 & 90 to 108 for attachment this MOU) in the ground support and logistics equipment, however to show good faith by supplier, the GCS's Items are also delivered to the customer as part of the Item 5 of PFI NO: 071749749-02 without charge (free charge).

2) According PFI NO: 071749749-02 Date: 11 JUN 2025, Item 2 (operation and maintenance manual) was visual checked and confirmed technical inspections and final approval and technical acceptance and delivery quantity handover acceptance by the customer legal representative.

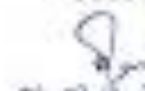
Therefore, all of the equipment's in Table below was visual checked and confirmed technical inspections and final approval and technical acceptance by the customer legal representative.

No.	Equipment and Services	UNIT	QTY	Description
1	Ground support and logistics equipment	package	1	According to attachment
2	UAV Fire Control Unit (FCU)	Set	3	Deleted in MOU-5 FEB 2025
3	UAV Bomb Release Unit (BRU)	Set	12	Deleted in MOU-5 FEB 2025
4	Operational and maintenance manual	package	3	In the form 3 DVD

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Ground and Logistic Support Equipment List (PFI NO: 071748749-02)

Date: 11 JUN 2025

NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
Ground Support Equipment (Supporting Equipment)			
1	Engine Battery Charger with Cable	1	Device
2	Airplane Battery Charger with Cable	1	Device
3	Air Compressor	1	System
4	Air Pressure Gauge	1	System
5	Spiral Air Hose 15m	1	Piece
6	Air Duster Gun	1	Piece
7	Night Flight Facility	1	Set
8	UAV Ground Stopper	2	Set
9	Ballast	30	kg
10	UAV Trolley	1	System
11	Parachute Gun Tester	2	Device
12	Extension Electric Cable Reel 25m	1	Piece
13	Lift Table	1	Piece
14	Power Supply	1	Device
15	External Power Cable	1	Set
16	External Battery Cable	1	Set
17	UAV Assembling Stands	2	Piece
18	Cooler Fan	2	Set
19	Handheld Wireless Intercom	1	System
20	Soldering System	1	Device
21	Multi-Meter	1	Piece
22	Bomb kit	2	Set
23	Funnel with filter	1	Piece
24	Ground Fueling Pump	1	System

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NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
Integrated Logistic Support Packages1- (Expendable & Spare Parts)			
1	Composite Repair Utility	1	Package
2	Engine Oil	60	Liter
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4	Oil Filter	3	Piece
5	Fuel Filter	3	Piece
6	Fuel Hose inside the tank	9	meter
7	Silicon Hose	3	Piece
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NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
29	Nose Landing Gear (without tire)	1	Set
30	Nose Tire with Tube	3	Piece
31	Main Landing Gear (without tire)	1	Set
32	Main Tire with Tube	6	Piece
33	L type Screw with Teflon Bush	3	Piece
34	MK 44(Wire-less)	8	Piece
35	Wheel Steering Servo Push-Pull Rods	3	Piece
36	Brake Servo Push-Pull Rods	3	Piece
37	Parachute	1	Piece
38	Master cylinder	1	Piece
39	Assembly Bolt & Screw	2	Package
40	Brake System	1	Set
41	Brake Disk	2	Piece
42	Brake Hose	3	Package
43	Brake Fluid	3	Piece
44	Caliper Brake	2	Piece
45	Brake Pad	3	Set
46	Fuel Tank	1	Piece
47	Fuel Check Valve 8 mm	2	Piece
48	Fuel Sensors	1	Set
49	Separator	3	Piece
50	Separator Cable	3	Piece
51	90 deg bolt with washer	20	Piece
52	Safety Thread (20 pound)	50	meter
53	Copper Coated wire	1	meter
54	4 Channel Pylon	1	Set
55	Phot Tube	1	Piece
56	VO	1	Piece
58	Primary GPS/INS	1	Piece

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NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
60	Secondary GPS/INS	1	Piece
61	GPS Anti-jamming Unit & Antenna	1	Set
62	FMS	1	Piece
63	PSU	2	Piece
64	ED	2	Piece
65	TPU	2	Piece
66	Regulator Unit	1	Piece
67	UAV Battery	2	Piece
68	Engine Starter Battery	2	Piece
69	Servo SOS	6	Piece
70	Laser Altitude Sensor	1	Piece
71	FCU	1	Unit
72	LMA FCU	1	Piece
73	MCU	1	Piece
74	TLTV	1	Piece
75	Aerial DVR	1	Set
76	Aerial Payload Driver	1	Piece
77	UAV Video Cables	1	Set
78	Wing's Lighting	1	Set
79	Strip Lighting	1	pack
80	Link Selector Module	1	Piece
81	Digital Data Receiver	1	Piece
82	Digital Data Receiver Antenna	1	Piece
83	Ground Digital Data Transmitter (with Mount, Antenna, Cover)	1	Set
84	HD Link Transmitter (with Mechanical Filter)	1	Set
85	HD Link Transmitter Antenna	1	Piece
86	HD Link Receiver	1	Piece

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NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
87	HD Link Receiver LNA	1	Piece
88	Aerial FH Link	1	Piece
89	Aerial FH Link Antenna	1	Piece
90	Ground FH Link (with Mount, Antenna, Cover)	1	Set
91	COFDM Link Transmitter	1	Piece
92	COFDM Link Amplifier	1	Piece
93	COFDM Link Transmitter Antenna	1	Piece
94	COFDM Link Receiver (with Mechanical Filter & Down Converter)	1	Set
95	Dish Feed	1	Piece
96	GCS UPS	1	Set
97	GCS DVR	1	Set
98	HDMI Splitter	1	Piece
99	Payload Control Panel Module	1	Piece
100	Pilot Control Panel Module	1	Piece
101	Ground Communication Cables	1	Set
102	Pilot Radio Control	1	Piece
103	Master-Student Pilot Radio Control	1	Piece
104	Pilot Radio Control Cable (50 m)	1	Piece
105	Pilot Head-Set Cable (50 m)	1	Piece
106	Master-Student Pilot Radio Control Cable	1	Piece
107	Master-Student Pilot Head-Set Cable	1	Piece
108	Check Valve Control	1	Set
109	EGT Sensor	1	Set
110	Fuel Drain Hose	3	meter
Integrated Logistic Support Packages 2 - (Utility Tools)			
111	Professional Toolbox	1	Piece

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NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
2	Leather Welding Apron	1	Piece
3	Headset Earmuffs	1	Piece
4	Metal Ruler	1	Piece
5	Electrical Tape	3	Piece
6	Funnel	1	Piece
7	Contact Adhesive	1	Pack
8	Gloves	1	Package
9	Hand Held Rechargeable LED Torch Light	1	Piece
10	8" Tire Lever	1	Piece
11	Heat Gun	1	Piece
12	Metal Tape Measure	1	Piece
13	Feeler Gauge Set	1	Set
14	Digital Caliper	1	Piece
15	Digital Clinometer	1	Piece
16	Ratcheting Torque Wrench (30-150N.m)	1	Piece
17	Ratcheting Torque Wrench (5-35N.m)	1	Piece
18	HSS Drill Bit Set (1-13)	1	Piece
19	2way Tap Wrench	1	Piece
20	2way Ratcheting Tap Wrench	1	Piece
21	One Step Tap Handle M10	1	Piece
22	Tapping Machine M8	1	Piece
23	Tapping Machine M6	1	Piece
24	Tapping Machine M4	1	Piece
25	Sandpaper	20	paper
26	Die & External Threading Tools M30 (Die Nut)	1	Piece
27	Die & External Threading Tools M8 (Die Nut)	1	Piece
28	Hand Riveter gun	1	Piece

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NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
29	Impact Drill	1	Piece
30	Right Angle Air Drill	1	Piece
31	Rechargeable Drill	1	Piece
32	Electric Angle Grinder	1	Piece
33	LOCTITE 243	1	Pack
34	Screwdriver Set	1	Piece
35	1/2" Air Ratchet Wrench	1	Piece
36	Die & External Threading Handle	1	Piece
37	Locking Pliers 30"	1	Piece
38	General Pliers	1	Piece
39	Short Extension Bar 1/2" Drive	1	Piece
40	Long Extension Bar 1/2" Drive	1	Piece
41	Ratchet Handle Hi-Torque 1/2"	1	Piece
42	Hammer 3000 gr	1	Piece
43	Hammer 500 gr	1	Piece
44	Nut Driver 4mm	1	Piece
45	Nut Driver 5mm	1	Piece
46	Nut Driver 6mm	1	Piece
47	Nut Driver 7mm	1	Piece
48	Nut Driver 8mm	1	Piece
49	Hex Nut Driver 10mm	1	Piece
50	Hex Nut Driver 13mm	1	Piece
51	Long Hex Nut Driver 24mm	1	Piece
52	1/2" Hex Nut Driver 22mm	1	Piece
53	1/2" Long Hex Nut Driver 8mm	1	Piece
54	1/2" Long Hex Nut Driver 10mm	1	Piece
55	Allen Wrench Set	1	Piece
56	Round Head Hex Key Set	1	Piece
57	Teeth Combination Spanner 7mm	1	Piece

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NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
58	Ratcheting Wrench 17mm	1	Piece
59	Fold Head Ratcheting Wrench 19mm	1	Piece
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61	2way Twisting Pliers 9"	1	Piece
62	Combination Spanner 11mm	1	Piece
63	Ratcheting Wrench 10mm	1	Piece
64	Combination Spanner 8mm	1	Piece
65	Combination Spanner 10mm	1	Piece
66	Adjustable Wrench 10"	1	Piece
67	Adjustable Wrench 12"	1	Piece
68	Combination Spanner 1 1/4"	1	Piece
69	Ratcheting Wrench 11mm	1	Piece
70	Combination Spanner 7/16"	1	Piece
71	Tongue Pliers	1	Piece
72	Ratcheting Wrench 5/8"	1	Piece
73	Ratcheting Wrench 3/16"	1	Piece
74	Ratcheting Wrench 1/2"	1	Piece
75	Flat Short Nose Pliers	1	Piece
76	Flat Long Nose Pliers	1	Piece
77	Needle Nose Pliers	1	Piece
78	Hex Key Allen Socket 4-17mm	1	Piece
79	Wire Rope Cutter	1	Piece
80	Electric Diagonal Cutter	1	Piece
81	Wire Diagonal Cutter	1	Piece
82	Metal Hand Held Hack Saw Blade	1	Piece
83	Metal Hand Held Hack Saw	1	Piece
84	Cutter Knife Blade	1	Piece
85	Cutter Knife	1	Piece
86	Rivet	2	Box

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NO.	Description of goods	QTY	Unit
87	Magnet	1	Piece
88	Breath Filo Set	1	Piece
89	Soldering Wire Iron	2	Piece
90	Grace	2	Package
91	Right Angle Air Die Grinder	1	Piece
92	Ladder	1	Piece
93	F wrench	1	Piece
94	Oil Filter Wrench	1	Piece
95	Safety Wire (d 0.8 mm)	2	meter
96	Powered Drill	1	Piece
97	Rapid Glue	3	Piece
98	Paper Tape	3	Piece
99	Cover Tape	3	Piece
100	Spark Plug Wrench	1	Piece

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