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Al-Bashir sentenced to two years under correctional facility

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Former Sudanese President Omar Al-Bashir was sentenced to two years in jail for corruption and illegitimate possession of foreign currency.

In accordance to Sudanese law, the former leader will be held under correctional facility as anyone over the age of 70 cannot go to prison.

A judge in the capital ordered the confiscation of millions of euros and Sudanese pounds found in Bashir's residence when he was ousted.

The corruption trial is separate from charges against Al-Bashir regarding the killing of protesters during the uprising. That's the first verdict in a series of legal proceedings against the ousted president .

The Sudanese authorities have not yet decided to hand Bashir to the International Criminal Court in The Hague, which has accused him of criminal responsibility for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide, following the killing, and torture of hundreds of thousands of people in Darfur conflicts.

Before the verdict, supporters of Al-Bashir briefly disrupted the proceedings and were pushed out of the courtroom by security forces.

Al-Bashir arrived to court in a white Land Cruiser SUV amid tight security at the Judicial and Legal Science Institute in the capital Khartoum.

Al-Bashir has been facing trial in a Khartoum court since August on charges of illegally acquiring and using foreign funds, offences that could send him behind the bars for more than a decade.

"Authorities had seized €6.9m, \$351,770, and SDG 5.7m at Al-Bashir's home which he acquired and used illegally," the judge said previously in August.

Al-Bashir has been detained since being ousted from power in April after months of protests. The ousted president was initially facing charges of illegally possessing foreign currency and corruption.

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