

## Final Resolutions of the RJMEC

## 3<sup>rd</sup> RJMEC Meeting

## Palm Africa Hotel, 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019, Juba, South Sudan

The 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Reconstituted Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission (RJMEC) convened in Juba, South Sudan, on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 chaired by the Interim Chairperson of the RJMEC, H. E. Lt. General Augostino S.K Njoroge.

In attendance were the representatives of all the Parties and stakeholders in RJMEC namely:

For the Parties to the R-ARCSS:

- 1. Hon. Dr Martin Elia Lomuro (incumbent TGoNU)
- 2. Hon. Michael Makuei Lueth (incumbent TGoNU)
- 3. Hon. Awut Deng Acuil (incumbent TGoNU)
- 4. Hon. Dr. Dhieu Mathok Diing (incumbent TGoNU)
- 5. Amb. Stephen Par Kuol (SPLM/A-IO)
- 6. Ms. Sandra Bona Malwal (SPLM/A-IO)
- 7. Hon. Hussein Abdelbagi Akol (SSOA)
- 8. Mr. Hakim Garang Isaiah (FDs)
- 9.Hon Wilson Lodiong Sebit (OPP)

For the Other South Sudanese Stakeholders and Adherents

- 1. Mr. Mohammed Hassan Abdella Morgan (Faith based leader)
- 2. Ms. Rita Lopidia (Women Coalition)
- 3. Ms. Mary Akech Bior (Women's Bloc)
- 4. Mr. Akuoch Ajang Nyanhom (CSO Alliance)
- 5. Mr. Rajab John Mohandis (CSO Forum)
- 6. Prof. Francis Deng (Eminent Person)
- 7. Prof. Moses Macar Kacual (Eminent Person)
- 8. Mr. Simon Akuei Deng (Business Community)
- 9. Ms. Yar Manoa Majok (Business Community)

- 10.Prof. Pauline Riak (Academia)
- 11.Ms. Caroline Kibos (Youth)

12.Mr. Malish John Peter (Youth)

For the Regional Guarantors

- 1. Mr. Daniel Samuel (Ethiopia)
- 2. Mr. Ali Mambo (Kenya)
- 3. Mr. Mohammed Ali Mohamed (Somalia)
- 4. Amb. Adil Ibrahim Mustafa (Sudan)
- 5. Amb. Brig. Gen. Ronnie Balya (Uganda)
- 6. Amb. Gordon M. Yekelo (South Africa)
- 7. Mr. Sunday Edmund (Nigeria)
- 8. Amb. Prof. Joram Biswaro (AUMISS)
- 9. Mr. Tesfaye Negassa (IGAD Juba Liaison Office)

For International Partners and Friends of South Sudan

- 1. Amb. He Xiangdong (China)
- 2. Amb. Lars Andersen (Norway)
- 3. Mr. Tim Timmons (USA)
- 4. Mr. Charles Moore (UK)
- 5. H.E. David Shearer (UNMISS)
- 6. H.E. Sinead Walsh (EU)
- 7. H.E. Janet Albeda (IPF)

For RJMEC Secretariat

- 1. Amb. Berhanu Kebede, Chief of Staff, RJMEC
- 2. Hon. Thomson Fontaine, Deputy Chief of Staff Strategy, RJMEC
- 3. Mr. Stephen Oola, Legal Counsel, RJMEC.

For the Agreement Institutions and Mechanisms

- 1. Hon. Gabriel Changson Chang, Co-Chair NPTC
- 2. Hon. Gichira Kibara, Chairperson NCAC
- 3. Maj. Gen. Desta Abiche, Chairperson CTSAMVM
- 4. Gen. Gabriel Jok Riak, Chairperson JDB
- 5. Madam Angelina Teny, Chairperson SDSR Board
- 6. Maj.Gen. Chokrac Alith Kudum, Chairperson JTSC
- 7. Lt. Gen. Charles Madut, Chairperson JMCC

Observers

1. H.E Seiji Okada, Japan

- 2. H.E Jan Hendrick van Thiel, Germany
- 3. Ms. Joane Holliger, Switzerland
- 4. Ms. Funmi Balogun, UN Women

The 3<sup>rd</sup> RJMEC meeting considered the following agenda items:

- a) Statement by RJMEC Chairperson on Status of Implementation of the R-ARCSS;
- b) Report from the National Pre-Transitional Committee (NPTC);
- c) The Minutes of the last meeting;
- d) Decision of the RJMEC Sub-Committee on the NCAC issue;
- e) Briefing from the UNMISS SRSG;
- f) Report from Institutions & Mechanisms of the R-ARCSS (NPTC, NCAC, CTSAMVM, JDB, SDSR Board, JTSC and JMCC); and
- g) Date of the next RJMEC meeting.

Following the statement by the Interim Chairperson, and after considering the reports from the NPTC, CTSAMVM, NCAC, SDSR Board, JMCC and JTSC, and briefing from UNMISS SRSG, the RJMEC resolved as follows:

- **1. Adopted** the minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> RJMEC meeting held in Juba, South Sudan on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018 as amended;
- 2. Welcomed the statement of the RJMEC Interim Chairperson on the status of implementation of the R-ARCSS;
- **3. Further welcomed** the report of the Co-Chair of the NPTC, and commended the NPTC for its ongoing support enabling participation of all parties' representatives to the various Agreement institutions and mechanisms;
- 4. Thanked the UNMISS SRSG for his briefing and the Chairpersons of the NCAC, CTSAMVM, JDB, SDSR Board, JTSC and JMCC for their reports, **appreciated** those who submitted written reports to RJMEC in advance, and **commended** the progress made by the respective institutions and mechanims. In this respect, RJMEC **instructed** the Secretariat to share reports submitted by all institutions and mechanisms to members before the next meeting;
- **5. Took note** of the formation of the Technical Boundary Committee (TBC) and its ongoing work, and **reiterated** its call for the immediate

establishment of the Independent Boundaries Commission (IBC) and reconstitution of the DDR Commission without further delay;

- 6. Commended all IGAD Member States who have nominated representatives to the TBC, and the Office of the IGAD Special Envoy for South Sudan for facilitating TBC's work; and **reiterated** its appeal to the African Union C5 to complete their nominations to the IBC to enable its immediate formation;
- **7. Reminded** all parties to observe the **thirty-five percent** representation of women in their nominations to the executive of the RTGoNU and in all the remaining institutions and mechanisms of the agreement;
- 8. Adopted the decision of the RJMEC Sub-Committee, established pursuant to Resolution 12 of the 2<sup>nd</sup> RJMEC meeting held in Juba on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018, regarding the issue referred to RJMEC by NCAC on the "description of the system of government during the Pre-Transitional and Transitional Period" and directed the NCAC to proceed accordingly and conclude the constitutional amendment process without further delay;
- **9. Took note** that the decision of the sub-committee was by a majority of 4 to 1 with reservation registered by the representative of the SPLM/A-IO and thanked the sub-committee for resolving this matter;
- **10. Further noted** that the incumbent TGoNU has taken steps to investigate and address the cases of sexual and gender-based violence reported in Bentiu, and **called** for the report to be made public and for action to be taken against identified perpetrators;
- **11. Expressed concern** on the delayed appointment of the Chairperson of the RJMEC, and **requested** the Office of the Chairperson of the IGAD Council of Ministers to take steps to expedite this process;
- **12. Observed** that, four months into the Pre-Transitional Period, implementation of key tasks and activities are behind schedule, and **urged** the parties to expedite implementation of all pending tasks, and take practical steps to facilitate disengagements, cantonment, unification of forces and DDR;

- **13.** Encouraged by the positive report by CTSAMVM on the beginning of the disengagment of forces in some parts of the country, **commended** the parties who are in compliance and urged all parties to effectively implement and adhere to the provisions of the permanent ceasefire and transitional security arrangments, without exception;
- **14. Appreciated** the confidence building steps being taken by the NPTC, JDB and CTSAMVM, including in the dissemination of the peace agreement, and **called upon** all stakeholders to undertake joint and coordinated dissemination of the R-ARCSS, including through translation into local languages;
- **15. Took note** of the needs for the incumbent TGoNU to continue working towards the stabilisation of the economy during the Pre-Transitional period and **welcomed** the commitment by the incumbent TGoNU to immediately resume the regular meetings of the Humanitarian High-Level Oversight Committee and the Humanitarian Coordination Forum;
- **16. Condemned** the reported incidents of denial of access to CTSAMVM in their operations in some parts of the country, including the unfortunate Luri incident, and demanded unhindered access to be granted to CTSAMVM in all their verification missions and **further called** for the timely conclusion of all investigations and action on alleged perpetrators of sexual violence;
- **17. Expressed** deep concern on the reported rising insecurity in the Yei River State including the destruction of a bridge at Tore by forces loyal to Gen. Thomas Cirillo Swaka of NSF/NAS, and **condemned** any such violations of the permanent ceasefire and CoHA and urged Gen. Thomas Cirillo Swaka and all non-signatories to join in the implementation of the peace agreement;
- **18.** Further expressed concerns on the reported incidents of intercommunal violence in some parts of the country and called upon all the parties and the incumbent TGoNU to make concerted efforts to prevent all forms of violent conflicts;

- **19. Reiterated** its appeal to the leadership and groups within SSOA to proactively engage with each other and resolve their differences, and **commended** the RJMEC Chairperson and the IGAD Special Envoy to South Sudan for their efforts in this regard;
- **20. Cognizant** of the serious financial constraints and other challenges impacting on the smooth implementation of the tasks and activities of the various agreement institutions and mechanisms, including CTSAMVM, it requested the Interim Chairperson of RJMEC to convene an urgent extra-ordinary meeting of the RJMEC with partners, friends of South Sudan, and all interested actors to discuss practical ways forward, and in this regard **decided** that the extra-ordinary meeting of the RJMEC should be convened on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 in Juba, South Sudan;
- **21. Agreed** that the next regular RJMEC meeting shall be on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019;
- **22.** Decides to remain seized of all RJMEC matters.

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