

Country/entity	South Sudan
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Agreement on the Demands of the Equatoria Non-Allied Force (ENAF) Yei State Government NSS/ISB and EPC Peace Desk and Communique
Date	18 Feb 2019
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes

Agreement/conflict level Intrastate/local conflict

Sudan Conflicts (1955 -)

Agreements relate to several distinct dyads, and also the negotiated independence of South Sudan, and subsequent internal conflict in South Sudan. Sudan-South Sudan. The long-standing conflict between the north and the south of the country dates back to colonial times, where the British introduced a so-called 'Southern Policy', severely hampering population movements between these big regions. Immediately after gaining independence in 1956, southern movements started to fight for independence; this fight became professionalised in 1983 with the foundation of the soon internationally supported Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA). When the Islamic Front government introduced strict sharia laws in the south after it took over power in 1988 the war intensified. A decade later, the military situation reached a stalemate, enabling internationally facilitated peace negotiations to begin in 1997. After more fighting, a final negotiation push began in 2002, leading to the signing of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) in January 2005.

Sudan-South Sudan post referendum. South Sudan became independent in July 2011; since then, relations between the two countries are complicated and violent conflict led by the SPLM (North) in the Sudanese Nuba mountains region has since intensified.

Darfur. Other long-standing violent conflicts are in the east and the west of the country. In the east, the Beja Congress, established in 1957, is the spearhead of a currently 'peaceful' opposition movement. In the west, the violent conflict in Darfur intensified in the early 2000s and rapidly gained international attention, even resulting in genocide charges against leading figures of the Sudanese government. The situation on the ground is complex, with over a dozen organisations (most notably the Sudanese Liberation Movement and the Justice and Equality Movement) fighting the Sudanese government and allied groups like the Janjaweed – although all parties have switched sides on numerous occasions. Several mediation attempts have not been successful, due to the shaky commitment of the Sudanese central government and the distrust among the armed opposition.

South Sudan - internal

In December 2013, after president Salva Kiir accused opposition leader Riek Machar of attempting a coup, violent conflict broke out between government forces of the SPLM/A and anti-governmental groups. In addition, several other political militias as well as communal militias have joined the conflict. In 2015 the Agreement on the Resolution of the Conflict in South Sudan (ARCSS) was signed. Due to unsuccessful implementation the agreement was revitalized in 2018. In September 2019, Kiir and Machar agreed to establish a power-sharing government after struggles on forming a unity transitional government.

Close

Sudan Conflicts (1955 -)

Stage Framework/substantive - partial

Conflict nature Inter-group

Peace process	South Sudan: Post-secession Local agreements
Parties	<p>Main Agreement:</p> <p>The Transitional Government of the Republic of South Sudan led by Maj. Gen Joseph Buong Anyardit</p> <p>The Equitoria Non-Allied Force led by Maj. Gen. Yanga Moses Yona</p> <p>Communiqué:</p> <p>The Transitional Government of the Republic of South Sudan led by Maj. Gen Joseph Buong Anyardit</p> <p>The Equitoria Non-Allied Force led by Maj. Gen. Yanga Moses Yona</p>
Third parties	<p>Main Agreement:</p> <p>Arch-Bishop Elias Taban Parangi</p> <p>Hon Emmanuel Adil Anthony</p> <p>Communiqué</p> <p>Arch-Bishop Elias Taban Parangi</p>
Description	Areement between the government of South Sudan and the ENAF, a breakaway faction of the National Salvation Front (NAS) in the Yei River State, with ceasefire and power-sharing provisions, as well as guarantees of the return of IDPs. It comes in two parts: the main agreement, and the supplemental communiqué to the government,.

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Groups

Children/youth	<p>Groups→Children/youth→Substantive</p> <p>Page 6: On repatriation of Yei River State's citizens from the refugee and the internally displaced camps to their original settlements, it is agreed that:</p> <p>...</p> <p>The elderly, children and the disabled shall be demobilized to the DDR Commission though States linkages.</p>
Disabled persons	<p>Groups→Disabled persons→Substantive</p> <p>Page 6: On repatriation of Yei River State's citizens from the refugee and the internally displaced camps to their original settlements, it is agreed that:</p> <p>...</p> <p>The elderly, children and the disabled shall be demobilized to the DDR Commission though States linkages.</p>

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Migrant workers	No specific mention.
Racial/ethnic/ national group	<p>Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Substantive</p> <p>Page 4: On protection of Civilians, Refugees, Returnees and IDPs in Yei River State, it is resolved that;</p> <p>...</p> <p>The trend of targeted killing and labelling of civilians on the basis of ethnicity and affiliation to rebels or any other form of harassment must stop upon signing of this agreement.</p>
Religious groups	No specific mention.
Indigenous people	No specific mention.
Other groups	No specific mention.

Refugees/displaced persons	Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Rhetorical
	Page 2: The Preamble
	...
	Mindful of the tragic conditions facing thousands of our people in refugee and Internal Displaced Camps;
	Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive
	Page 4: On protection of Civilians, Refugees, Returnees and IDPs in Yei River State, it is resolved that;
	The Government of the Republic of South Sudan should ensure that the leadership of Yei River State has equal treatment and protection of all citizens of the Republic of South Sudan, Civilians, Refugees, IDPs and Voluntary returnees.
	Page 6: On repatriation of Yei River State’s citizens from the refugee and the internally displaced camps to their original settlements, it is agreed that: Members of ENAF should be represented in the State RRC so as to mobilize and sensitize the IDP’s and the refugee community for a voluntary return to their various locations in Yei River State. The elderly, children and the disabled shall be demobilized to the DDR Commission through States linkages.
	Page 10: Communiqué’
	...
Social class	The parties resolved to encourage the voluntary return of refugees and IDP’s

Gender

Women, girls and gender	No specific mention.
Men and boys	No specific mention.
LGBTI	No specific mention.
Family	No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state (general)	No specific mention.
State configuration	No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

**Independence/
secession** No specific mention.

**Accession/
unification** No specific mention.

Border delimitation No specific mention.

**Cross-border
provision** No specific mention.

Governance

**Political
institutions (new or
reformed)** No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

**Electoral
commission** No specific mention.

**Political parties
reform** No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

**Traditional/
religious leaders** No specific mention.

**Public
administration** No specific mention.

Constitution No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political power sharing

Power sharing→Political power sharing→General
Sub-state level

Page 5: On Power-Sharing between the current Government of Yei River State and Equatoria Non-Allied Forces, it is resolved that:

The Government shall ensure appropriate political representation of ENAF in the allocation of political portfolios in Yei River State to give confidence to the people of the state.

Power sharing→Political power sharing→Executive coalition
Sub-state level

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Page 6: On the representation of ENAF in key government sectors to promote unity of purpose in the Republic of South Sudan, it is agreed that:

Continuity of cordial cooperation and representation of the people of Yei River State in the National Government is guaranteed.

Territorial power sharing

No specific mention.

Economic power sharing

No specific mention.

Military power sharing

Power sharing→Military power sharing→Merger of forces

Page 5: On reconciliation and Healing, the parties resolved that:

There shall be Recognition and Integration of all ENAF to the Ranks and files of the army, National Security Services and other organized forces following SPPDF organizational structure;

There shall be no revenge or an act of reprisal against members who deserted their service for rebellion.

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...

Parties agreed for the straightforward integration of more than 750 (seven hundred fifty) ENAF armed combatant's forces under Maj. Gen. Yanga Moses Yona into National Army and other organized forces

The parties agreed that the timeframe for the assembling of forces shall start upon signing of this agreement on 18th February 2019 and ends April 30th 2019.

Page 9: Tentative Implementation Matrix

S/ No: 06

Timeframe: May 20th 2019

Activities: Graduation and Integration of forces

Expected Input: Mobility and Military equipment.

Responsible Body: Army/NSS, Organised forces, Civil Institutions, EPC Peace Desk and partners

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Property
Page 5: On protection of Civilians, Refugees, Returnees and IDPs in Yei River State, it is resolved that;
...
The State Government shall return all properties belonging to the members of ENAF faction under Maj. Gen. Yanga Moses Yona that were either confiscated or frozen.

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication No specific mention.

Mobility/access No specific mention.

Protection measures No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions No specific mention.

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law No specific mention.

State of emergency provisions No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction	<p>Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development</p> <p>Page 1: The Preamble</p> <p>...</p> <p>Committed to the National Dialogue to end the war and to create an atmosphere for Socio-Economic Development;</p> <p>Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Humanitarian assistance</p> <p>Page 7: On a spirit for reconciliation and healing in Yei River State,</p> <p>...</p> <p>The Parties also agreed that the Evangelical Presbyterian Church Peace Desk in Yei River State under the leadership of Arch-Bishop Elias Taban alongside the Government of Yei River States with the support of HIS Voice Global, Basic Ministries and Water is Basic provides basic services in form of Shelter, food, medicine and water to the ENAF faction under Maj. Gen. Yona from signing this agreement to the graduation of the ENAF.</p> <p>Page 9: Tentative Implementation Matrix</p> <p>S/ No: 03</p> <p>Timeframe: March 5th, 2019 to March 10th 2019</p> <p>Activities: Provision of logistics</p> <p>Expected Input: Mobility, Shelter, food, medicine and water</p> <p>Responsible Body: ENAF the State Governments, army/NSS, EPC Peace Desk and Partners</p> <p>Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Infrastructure and reconstruction</p> <p>Page 7: On promotion of development programs in the conflict affected areas in the states, it is resolved that;</p> <p>Yei River State shall rehabilitate feeder roads to facilitate movement, improve and promote economic recovery of its people.</p> <p>Yei River State to build a memorial Secondary school in Lainya in recognition of the contribution of Late Dr. Samson Kwaje Lukare.</p>
National economic plan	No specific mention.
Natural resources	No specific mention.
International funds	No specific mention.
Business	No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

**Pastoralist/
nomadism rights** No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

**Water or riparian
rights or access** No specific mention.

Security sector

Security Guarantees

No specific mention.

Ceasefire

Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision

Page 4: On the Observations of Ceasefire in Yei River States the parties resolved that:

The Government of the Republic of South Sudan to observe ceasefire in Yei River State in order to allow ENAF to pre-assemble their forces in Lainya.

Page 9: Tentative Implementation Matrix

S/ No: 01

Timeframe: Effective February 18, 2019

Activities: Declaration of ceasefire effective February 18th 2019

Expected Input: Ceasefire is observed and Freedom of movement and arrival of ENAF forces

Responsible Body: ENAF faction, the State Governments NSS/Army and EPC Peace desk

Page 10: Communiqué'

The government of the Republic of South Sudan (GRSS) represented by Maj. Gen Joseph Buong Anyardit and the Equitoria Non Allied Force (ENAF) represented by Maj. Gen Yanga Moses Yona (hereinafter referred to as the Parties) having met in a negotiation under the auspices of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church Peace Desk in Yei River State in the person of Arch-Bishop Elias Taban Parangi from February 17, 2019 through February 18th 2019 on the theme of Cessations of Hostilities, Permanent Ceasefire, the assembly area and its security and the National Dialogue, the meeting led to the following key resolutions:

ENAF agreed to declare permanent ceasefire effective February 18th 2019 at 23:59 pm South Sudan local time.

The parties re-affirm their commitment to continue working closely together to enhance cooperation and coordination of efforts on ending suffering of the people of Yei River State in particular and South Sudan at large through cessation of all hostilities

Police

No specific mention.

Armed forces

No specific mention.

DDR

No specific mention.

Intelligence services No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces No specific mention.

Withdrawal of foreign forces No specific mention.

Corruption No specific mention.

Crime/organised crime No specific mention.

Drugs No specific mention.

Terrorism No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general No specific mention.

Amnesty/pardon No specific mention.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner release No specific mention.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing persons No specific mention.

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation Page 5: On reconciliation and Healing, the parties resolved that:
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Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism	Page 6: On a spirit for reconciliation and healing in Yei River State, The Parties agreed that the Evangelical Presbyterian Church Peace Desk in Yei River State under the leadership of Arch-Bishop Elias Taban alongside Yei River States leadership with support from HIS Voice Global, Basic Ministries and Water is Basic be guarantors and monitors of the implementation of this agreement.
Related cases	No specific mention.
Source	On file with PI
