

Country/entity	South Sudan
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Security Arrangements Clause in the Revitalised South Sudan Peace Agreement: Agreement on the Unification of the Supreme Command of the Forces
Date	3 Apr 2022
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict
Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	South Sudan post-secession process
Parties	<p>[signature] On behalf of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement - in Government, Lieutenant General Tut Gatluak Manime Adviser to the President of the Republic for Security Affairs</p> <p>[signature] On behalf of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement in - Opposition pp. Dr Riek Machar Teny, First Vice-President of the Republic</p> <p>[signature] On behalf of the South Sudan Opposition Alliance (SSOA) pp. Lieutenant General Hussein Abdul-Baqi Akol Vice-President of the Republic</p>
Third parties	Witnessed by: General [signature] pp. Mohamed Hamdan Dagalo Musa First Deputy to the Chairman of the Transitional Sovereignty Council of the Republic of the Sudan
Description	As part of security arrangements in the national revitalised peace agreement in South Sudan (R-ARCSS), this agreement sets out the steps for integrating opposition troops into the armed forces and army command, unifying supreme command of the forces. The short matrix agreement therefore provides for forms of military power-sharing, namely opposition movements putting forward candidates for joint command structures and merger of forces, as well as making provision for ceasefire monitoring and cessation of hostile media campaigns.

Agreement document [SS_220403_Agreement on the Unification of Command_EN \(opens in new tab\) | Download PDF](#)

Agreement document (original language) [SS_220403_Agreement on the Unification of Command_PT.pdf \(opens in new tab\)](#)

Groups

Children/youth No specific mention.

Disabled persons No specific mention.

Elderly/age No specific mention.

Migrant workers No specific mention.

Racial/ethnic/national group No specific mention.

Religious groups No specific mention.

Indigenous people No specific mention.

Other groups No specific mention.

Refugees/displaced persons No specific mention.

Social class No specific mention.

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 No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing

No specific mention.

Military power sharing

Power sharing→Military power sharing→Merger of forces

The parties agreed, in culmination of the tireless and sincere efforts of the Government of Sudan and the leadership of South Sudan, upon the following:

...

Specification of the roles of the People's Movement in Opposition and the Opposition Alliance (SSOA).

...

Issuing of a Republican Decree.

...

Presidency of the Republic.

...

One week.

...

Graduation and distribution of forces.

...

Completion of the graduation procedures, deployment and distribution of forces.

...

Joint Defence Committee.

...

A period not exceeding two months.

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Preparation for the second cohort of the unified forces.

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Completion of the preparation and transportation of the forces of the second cohort to the training camps.

...

Joint Defence Committee.

...

Within one month.

Power sharing→Military power sharing→Joint command structures

The parties agreed, in culmination of the tireless and sincere efforts of the Government of Sudan and the leadership of South Sudan, upon the following:

1. The proposal to unify the Supreme Command of the Forces (attached).

...

Positions in the Unified Leadership.

...

Submission of lists of names to occupy the agreed positions.

...

The People's Movement in Opposition and the Opposition Alliance (SSOA).

...

Within one week.

...

Respect for the lists of candidates for the command staff and directors of the various forces' departments submitted by the parties, taking into account standards and competence.

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 No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication Rights related issues→Media and communication→Media roles
The parties agreed, in culmination of the tireless and sincere efforts of the Government of Sudan and the leadership of South Sudan, upon the following:
...
Media Escalation.
...
Cessation of hostile media campaigns.
...
All.
...
Immediately.
...
Necessity of holding violating parties to account.

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 No specific mention.

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

The parties agreed, in culmination of the tireless and sincere efforts of the Government of Sudan and the leadership of South Sudan, upon the following:

...

2. A matrix to chart the course of the next stage of security arrangements (attached).

Ceasefire

Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision

The parties agreed, in culmination of the tireless and sincere efforts of the Government of Sudan and the leadership of South Sudan, upon the following:

...

Activation of the mechanisms of the revitalised peace agreement.

...

Return of two representatives of the People's Movement in Opposition to the various mechanisms in connection with the peace agreement and resumption of their activity.

...

The People's Movement in Opposition.

...

Immediately.

...

a. Monitoring of violations of the ceasefire.

b. Confirmation of the cessation of hostilities.

c. Funding of the implementation of the agreement.

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Hostilities.

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Confirmation of absolute commitment to the two agreements - Cessation of Hostilities 21 December 2017 and Ceasefire 27 June 2018.

...

All.

...

Immediately.

...

a. Prohibition of preventive detention.

b. Cessation of reciprocal attacks.

c. Emphasis on what is stated in the text of the revitalised agreement, as follows: not to encourage divisions between the parties to the agreement.

Police

No specific mention.

Armed forces

The parties agreed, in culmination of the tireless and sincere efforts of the Government of Sudan and the leadership of South Sudan, upon the following:

...

Graduation and distribution of forces.

...

Completion of the graduation procedures, deployment and distribution of forces.

...

Joint Defence Committee.

...

A period not exceeding two months.

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	No specific mention.

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 No specific mention.
