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| <b>Country/entity</b>      | South Sudan                                                                                       |
| <b>Region</b>              | Africa (excl MENA)                                                                                |
| <b>Agreement name</b>      | The Resolutions of the Civilian – Military Dialogue in Mundu Diocese, Kupera Payam, Lainya County |
| <b>Date</b>                | 1 May 2023                                                                                        |
| <b>Agreement status</b>    | Multiparty signed/agreed                                                                          |
| <b>Interim arrangement</b> | 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** Pre-negotiation/process

**Conflict nature** Inter-group

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| <b>Peace process</b> | South Sudan: Post-secession Local agreements                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Parties</b>       | <p>Representative of the Military:<br/>Col. John Jok Deng - Deputy Commander Ground Forces Division, Limbe – Lainya County</p> <p>Representative of Civilians:<br/>Noel Lado Luwale - Head Chief, Lainya Payam</p> <p>Rtd. Rt. Rev. Elioba Laku - Chairperson of Peace Committee, Lainya County</p> <p>Main Supervisor and Implementer:<br/>Hon. Emmanuel Khamis Richard - Commissioner of Lainya County</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Third parties</b> | <p>Mr. Putia Moses Buya - Project Manager, Representative of CEPO as the main Organizer of the Dialogue</p> <p>Observers:</p> <p>Mr. James Mugo - UNMISS CAD Team leader, Yei office<br/>Lumori Joseph Yasin - WPDI Project Officer, Lainya county</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Description</b>   | <p>A local civil-military dialogue which is part of structured local approaches to managing cycles of violence, improving trust and social cohesion between communities and the military. This agreement mainly addresses civil-military relations in Kupera payam in Lainya county between the armed forces and communities, through reconciliatory meetings and improved communication channels between the groups. Substantively the agreement makes provisions for more timely reporting mechanisms to local authorities and reinforced deployment of policing for crimes, killing and sexual violence. The agreement calls for traditional leaders, the military and the local peace committee to facilitate further civil-military dialogues, particularly between pastoralists and farmers, and in areas where there are higher numbers of displaced people. Note: The exact signing date is uncertain from the document, so it is inferred from other documents and news sources.</p> |

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| <b>Agreement document</b> | <a href="#">SS_230501_ The Resolutions of the Civilian – Military Dialogue in Mundu Diocese (opens in new tab)</a>   <a href="#">Download PDF</a> |
| <b>Source of document</b> | Document sourced by researcher in South Sudan and confirmed to be public.                                                                         |

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## Groups

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| <b>Children/youth</b>   | <p>Groups→Children/youth→Rhetorical</p> <p><b>Preamble:</b></p> <p>...</p> <p>displacement of innocent women, elderly and the children;</p> |
| <b>Disabled persons</b> | No specific mention.                                                                                                                        |

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| <b>Elderly/age</b>                       | <b>Preamble:</b><br>...<br>displacement of innocent women, elderly and the children;                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Migrant workers</b>                   | No specific mention.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Racial/ethnic/<br/>national group</b> | No specific mention.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Religious groups</b>                  | No specific mention.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Indigenous people</b>                 | No specific mention.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Other groups</b>                      | No specific mention.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Refugees/displaced<br/>persons</b>    | Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Rhetorical<br><b>Preamble:</b><br>...<br>Cognizant and Mindful of the facts that the heinous and barbaric behaviors of the individual soldiers and the cattle keepers contributed to more destruction of livelihood and displacement of the people of greater Yei to the refugee and IDP camps inside and outside South Sudan;<br>...<br><b>The Resolutions:</b><br>...<br>The dialogue resolved that civilian – military dialogues should be localized in areas of high displacement such as Wuji, Bereka, Loka and Mukaya. |
| <b>Social class</b>                      | No specific mention.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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## Gender

### Women, girls and gender

#### Preamble:

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Aware of the intentional land occupation, targeted killings between the individual civilian and soldiers;  
rape of young girls and elderly women;

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displacement of innocent women, elderly and the children;

...

#### The Resolutions:

...

The civilian – military dialogue in Mundu resolved that any crime committed by any of the party against either of the party should be reported to the concern authority for quick intervention.

...

or a woman/girl is raped;

### 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.

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## **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**

**The Resolutions:**

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The Mundu civilian – military Dialogue resolved that Payam Administrators should be deployed in Mukaya, Kenyi, Kupera and Wuji Payams.

The Mundu dialogue resolved that Chiefs and the Military Commanders should establish effective communication mechanisms in order to create good relationship between the civilian and the military.

...

The Mundu dialogue recommended for the deployment of a civilian – military relations officer (Moral Orientation Officer/Chaplains) in Lainya County in order to provide Psycho-social support to the soldiers and also report issues affecting both the civilian and the military.

...

The dialogue also resolved that the County administrators, Chiefs and the Military Commander should regulate, control and restrict drinking of alcohol by both the civilian and the soldiers.

For example, both the County and the Military Commander should pass an order that ban drinking of alcohol in the working hours and also restrict soldiers only to drink alcohol inside the barrack after work.

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The dialogue resolved that Lainya Peace Committee should conduct a dialogue between the cattle keepers and the farmers in order to explore lasting solutions.

**Public  
administration**

No specific mention.

**Constitution**

No specific mention.

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**Power sharing**

**Political power  
sharing**

No specific mention.

**Territorial power  
sharing**

No specific mention.

**Economic power  
sharing**

No specific mention.

**Military power  
sharing**

No specific mention.

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## 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.

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## 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→Other  
**The Resolutions:**  
...  
The Mundu dialogue resolved that Chiefs and the Military Commanders should establish effective communication mechanisms in order to create good relationship between the civilian and the military.

**Mobility/access** No specific mention.

**Protection measures** Rights related issues→Protection measures→Protection of civilians  
**The Resolutions:**  
...  
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For example, if a civilian or soldier is killed;

**Other** No specific mention.

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## **Rights institutions**

**NHRI** No specific mention.

**Regional or international human rights institutions** No specific mention.

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## **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.

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## **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.

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## **Land, property and environment**

**Land reform/rights** No specific mention.

**Pastoralist/  
nomadism rights**

**The Resolutions:**

...

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**Cultural heritage** No specific mention.

**Environment** No specific mention.

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

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## **Security sector**

**Security  
Guarantees** No specific mention.

**Ceasefire** No specific mention.

**Police**

**The Resolutions:**

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The Civilian – Military dialogue resolved that Police/Community Policing should be deployed and strengthened in order to manage social crimes and public order.

**Armed forces****The Resolutions:**

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or a woman/girl is raped;

or civilian's properties looted;

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**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.

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| <b>Crime/organised crime</b> | <p><b>The Resolutions:</b></p> <p>...</p> <p>The civilian – military dialogue in Mundu resolved that any crime committed by any of the party against either of the party should be reported to the concern authority for quick intervention.</p> <p>For example, if a civilian or soldier is killed;<br/>or a woman/girl is raped;<br/>or civilian's properties looted;<br/>the incident should be communicated timely and procedurally to the concern civilian or military authority.</p> <p>...</p> <p>The Civilian – Military dialogue resolved that Police/Community Policing should be deployed and strengthened in order to manage social crimes and public order.</p> |
| <b>Drugs</b>                 | No specific mention.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Terrorism</b>             | No specific mention.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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## **Transitional justice**

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| <b>Transitional justice general</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>Amnesty/pardon</b>               | No specific mention. |
| <b>Courts</b>                       | No specific mention. |
| <b>Mechanism</b>                    | No specific mention. |
| <b>Prisoner release</b>             | No specific mention. |
| <b>Vetting</b>                      | No specific mention. |
| <b>Victims</b>                      | No specific mention. |
| <b>Missing persons</b>              | No specific mention. |
| <b>Reparations</b>                  | No specific mention. |
| <b>Reconciliation</b>               | No specific mention. |

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**Implementation**

**UN signatory**                      No specific mention.

**Other international signatory**    **The Signatories of the Civilian – Military Dialogue**  
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OBSERVERS:  
Mr. James Mugo UNMISS CAD Team leader – Yei office Observer of the Dialogue Date:

**Referendum for agreement**                      No specific mention.

**International mission/force/ similar**                      No specific mention.

**Enforcement mechanism**                      No specific mention.

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