

Country/entity	South Sudan
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Resolutions of the Anyuak Murle Peace Conference (Otallo Agreement)
Date	17 May 2003
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict
Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Inter-group
Peace process	South Sudan: Pre-secession Local Peace Processes
Parties	This peace agreement was signed by On the Murle side: Nganthou Kabula Chief of Lekwangole Ngatho Kavula Chief of Kongor Etcho Buloch Chief of Manyiranye Loziyo ADor Chief of Lekwangole Kikar Adhing Chief of Akello Nyikcho Ame Chief Wunkok Ngachalan Lotako Chief of Kavachok Boyoi Gogol Chief of Koyoi Stephen Alan Chief of Boma Maraka Lotinom Chief of Kelenya On the side of Anyuak delegation: Nyie Adongo Agada Akway King of Anyuak

Third parties

Witnesses

Pax Christi Netherlands

Elder Philip Obang Ojway, Chairman Upper Nile Peace & Development Task Force
Lt. Col. Ogato Cham, SPLM County Secretary Pochalla County
Cdr. Babur Mazi, Representative of the SPLM County Secretary Pibor County
A/Cdr. Simon Didingo, Peace Supervisor Pibor County
Mohammedan Nicho, Representative of the Commissioner of Pibor
Pastor David Gayen, Envoy of Governor Ismael Konyi
Dr. Peter Adwok Nyaba, Managing Director Larjour Consultancy. Facilitator
Mr. Jervasio Okot, Journalist Dryland Journal

Otallo, May 17th, 2003

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LIST OF CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS ANYUAK PARTICIPANTS

Nyie Adongo Agada Akway, King of Otallo
Nyie Akway Nyigwa Akway, King of Okadi
Nyie Ocudhu Odol Aballa, King of Budhi
Mr. Ogato Cham Gilo
Mr. Gilo Obang Okello
Mr. Kwot Bwogo
Mrs. Akway Ajai Okello
Mr. Achumi Gada Bui
Mr. Joseph Abulla Ojullo
Mr. Ogiel Cham-Chala
Mr. Peter Gwino Deng
Mr. Obali Ogoni
Mr. Odong Cham-chala
Mr. Okello Ojwok Nyigwa
Mr. Ochan Agwa Nyang
Mr. Akway Obongi Nyigwa
Mr. Ochwa Olango Alwiny
Mr. Ogali Owar Akola
Mr. Okumo Ochan Okello
Mr. Okolo Othow
Mr. Abulla Agada Akany
Mrs. Opat Atach Aballa
Mr. Ojullo Oman Akway
Mr. Palata Mamour
Mr. Obotha Nyang Deng
Mr. Nyigwo Adou
Mrs. Akello Agada Akway
Mr. Ochang Okello
Mr. Philip Obang Ojway
Mrs. Aryet Akway Obang
Mr. Maduk Alior, Brigade Commander

Description	In May 2003, a peace conference was held in Otallo, Sudan between the Anyuak and Murle communities, resulting in the Otallo Peace Agreement. The agreement aimed to improve security and stability in the region by ending the practice of abduction of children, ambush and murder of individuals, and cattle rustling and raiding between the communities. Joint security and surveillance committees were established to take action against violators of the agreement. Additionally, the agreement recognized the need for social and economic development in the region and called on the international community and Sudan Peace Fund to provide relief and support for initiatives such as drilling boreholes for water, constructing joint schools, and developing women's projects.
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Local agreement properties

Process type	Formal structured process
Rationale	The agreement is the result of talks which began in March 2003, which resumed under the facilitation of Larjour Consultancy and Pax Christi Netherlands between May 13th and 17th 2003. It was also witnessed by members of the Upper Nile Peace and Development Task Force.
Is there a documented link to a national peace process?	No
Link to national process: articulated rationale	None
Name of Locale	Upper Nile
Nature of Locale	Region
GPS Lat/Long (DD)	7.177800, 34.084600
Participant type	International or transnational actor Local community/civilian group(s)/civil society organisations Regional state actor
Mediator, facilitator or similar	Mediator or similar referred to
Mediator (references)	Dr. Peter Adwok Nyaba, Managing Director Larjour Consultancy. Facilitator
Type of mediator/facilitator/similar	International or transnational actor

Local issues

Ritual/prayer and process (including use of scripture) No specific mention.

Grievance List Page 1, Preamble,

Aware of existence of state of belligerency in and among the ethnic communities of Upper Nile, which have been exacerbated by the long running civil war between the government of the Sudan and the Sudan People's Liberation Movement/Army;

Aware that the conflicts in and among the ethnic communities e.g. the conflict between the Anyuak and the Murle is a product of the civil war;

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Mindful of the fact that Upper Nile remains the most affected by the continuing state of violence, which state of affairs prevented to date humanitarian intervention and any semblance of development in the area;

Cattle rustling/ banditry Page 2, The conference adopted the following resolutions:

A. SECURITY AND STABILITY IN THE AREA

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3. Stop cattle rustling and raiding between the two communities;
 - a. A person caught stealing a cow, three cows shall be taken from him: two as punishment and the other as retrieval;
 - b. Any chief sheltering a criminal shall be punished along side the criminal;
 - c. The 31 missing heads of cattle to be paid back to the Anyuak owners and this responsibility rests with the Murle chiefs.

Social cover 3. Stop cattle rustling and raiding between the two communities;

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b. Any chief sheltering a criminal shall be punished along side the criminal;
