AGREEMENT ON CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES BETWEEN THE YOUTH OF DINKA BOR AND MURLE COMMUNITIES

In appreciation of the efforts made by the President of the Republic of South Sudan, H.E. Gen Salva Kiir Mayardit and the High-Level Committee, led by H.E. the first Vice Pioresident. Gen. Tabang Deng Gai and his delegation, to restore peace in the Greater Jonglei area.

Applaud and appreciate the South Sudan Peace and Reconciliation Commission for facilitating the peace process between Dinka Bor and Murie,

The two communities have agreed as follows:

**Article I**
Objectives of the Agreement

The objectives of this agreement is to commit and obligate the two communities to immediately cease hostilities and create conducive atmosphere to a comprehensive and inclusive dialogue.

**Article II**
Formation of Committee on Cessation of Hostilities

The two waring communities have agreed to form a committee on the cessation of hostilities

**Article III**
Composition and Mandate of the Committee

1. The committee on cessation of hostilities shall be composed of:
   a. Ministers of local government and law enforcement in both Boma and Jonglei States or their delegates;
   b. Representatives of Legal administration in both Boma and Jonglei States;
   c. Three (3) members of the State Legislative Assemblies;
   d. Three (3) Country Commissioners in the two states of their designates;
   e. Chairpersons of the State Peace Commissions;
   f. Three chiefs of their designates in the two states;
   g. Fourteen (14) youth leaders each from Dinka-Bor and Murie communities;
   h. Three women leaders from each community;
   i. One Church leader from each community;
   j. Three community elders from each community

2. The Committee shall ensure:
   a. Immediately cessation of hostilities;
   b. Withdrawal of youth to their respective states;
   c. Creation of a buffer zone between the two communities;
d. Immediate stopping of child and women abduction, killing of innocent people and cattle rustling;
e. Collection and return of abducted children and women within one month;
f. Collection and return of raided cattle within one month.

Article IV
Peace Conference

The two fighting communities have agreed to convene, within a month from the date of signing this agreement, a peace conference to resolve the issues of cattle rustling, child abduction, killing of innocent people and any other matters pertaining to peaceful co-existence.

Article V
The Return of Abducted Women, Children and Cattle

The warring communities have agreed to collect the abducted, women, children and cattle and hand them over to the National High-Level Commission which shall, in turn, handover the same to their original community of belonging.

The TGoNU shall for an investigation committee to investigate into the conflict between Dinka Bor and Murie communities.

Article VI
Opening of Roads

To ease the delivery of humanitarian assistance and commercial activities, the two communities have agreement to immediately open the following roads:

a. Jub-Bor-Pibor Road;
b. Juba-Pibor Road

Article VII
Monitoring and Verification Mechanisms

The National High-Level Committee shall establish a Monitoring and Verification Mechanism that shall be based in Bor, Pibor and other areas to be agreed upon.

Any party that violates the agreement shall face serious consequences including punitive measures by the TGoNU.

Article VIII
Facilitation of the Peace Process

The peace process between Dinka Bor and Murle communities shall be facilitated and supported by the Transitional Government of National Unity (TGoNU), Governments of the two states (Jonglei and Boma), UN and Partners.
In witness whereof the undersigned representatives duly authorised by their respective communities have signed this agreement in English Language.

Done at Juba on this day of 23rd of May 2017

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