Agreement
Between the Government of the Republic of South Sudan (GRSS) and the South Sudan Democratic Movement/Army (SSDM/A)

Preamble

i. The Parties to this Agreement, the Government of the Republic of South Sudan (GRSS) and the South Sudan Democratic/Army (SSDM/A) have agreed to come to negotiations in Juba.

ii. Both Parties commit to make the necessary compromises to reach an agreement;

iii. The Parties pledge themselves to promote all necessary confidence building measures including full commitment to the implementation of this Agreement;

iv. The Parties have agreed on the need for the peoples of South Sudan to join together in the peaceful development of their country;

v. The Interim Constitution of the Republic of South Sudan provides valuable guiding principles as a basis for the realization of this objective.

1. Cease-fire arrangements

a. The Parties have agreed to declare a fully-fledged cease-fire which enters into force upon the signing of this Agreement.

2. Amnesty

a. The Parties have agreed for a renewed amnesty for the SSDM/A group.

3. Political Representation of SSDM/A in GRSS

a. GRSS has recognized the right of SSDM/A to have appropriate political representation in its institutions at the National and State levels;

b. The Parties have agreed to representation of SSDM/A at the National level as follows:
   ▪ 1 Advisor
   ▪ 3 Senior Civil Servants

c. The Parties have agreed to representation of SSDM/A at the States level as follows:

   i. Upper Nile State:
      1 Advisor
3 Civil Servants

ii. Jonglei State
   - 1 Advisor
   - 4 senior civil servants

4. Military Integration of SSDM/A forces into the SPLA

a. The Parties have agreed that One thousand Eight hundred South Sudan Democratic Armed Forces (1,800SSDA) will be integrated into the SPLA, subject to the verification of forces in the Assembly Areas, by a Verification Committee composed of both Parties;

b. The number of Officers to be commissioned will be determined according to the number of forces verified in the Assembly Areas;

c. The appointment shall be within 30 days after the signing of this Agreement;

5. Assembly Areas

a. The assembly Areas shall be determined by the Joint Oversight Committee, the Areas shall be in northern Jonglei State and accessible throughout the year.

6. Disarmament

a. The Parties agreed to a joint Disarmament programme as agreed by the JOC.

7. Compensation and Reparations

a. The Parties have recognized the impact of the conflict on the civilian population, particularly in the following areas: Khorflus, Fangak, Ayod, Panyakang, Fashoda, Manyo, Pibor, Mayom, Uror and Pariang;

b. Therefore, they have agreed that the GRSS will provide compensation and reparations through social service delivery in the form of:

   i. Humanitarian Relief and Assistance;
   ii. Health
   iii. Education; and
   iv. Infrastructure support, including boreholes, to these areas.
c. The Parties recognizes the importance of reconciliation of conflict affected communities in South Sudan, especially in the above areas, for the prevention of further conflict and their sustainable peaceful development;

d. Therefore, the Parties commit to actively promote reconciliation activities to address outstanding grievances in these areas.

8. Release of political detainees and prisoners of war

a. The Parties have agreed that all political detainees and prisoners of war will be released immediately, subject to the submission of the list of the Joint Oversight Committee.

9. Implementation Modalities

a. The Parties have agreed to appoint a Joint Oversight Committee immediately after the signing and announcement of this agreement and comprised total of seven (7) members from the two Parties, four (4) from the GRSS and three (3) from SSDM/A. Its duties shall be as follows:

i. Supervise the implementation of this Agreement;
ii. Follow-up on the GRSS appointment of SSDM/A positions at National and State levels within maximum of 30 days;
iii. Determine the Assembly Areas for the integration of the SSDM/A forces within 15 days;
iv. Monitor the work of the Joint Verification Committee;
v. Oversee the integration of the SSDM/A forces into the SPLA according to the agreed timetable: maximum 30 days for the appointment and maximum 60 days for the confirmation of their ranks;
vi. Oversee the implementation of cease-fire modalities;
vii. Define the terms of the Disarmament programme;
viii. Monitor the implementation of the amnesty to the SSDM/A group;
ix. Monitor the provision of the above stated humanitarian assistance and social services to conflict affected areas;
x. Through the parties, will also actively engage and promote reconciliation activities in the above mentioned conflict affected areas in coordination with other key actors in South Sudan;
xi. Oversee the immediate release of political detainees and prisoners of war;

b. UNMISS will provide support to the implementation of this Agreement as per their mandate.
10. Promotion of further dialogue

a. In line with the commitment of both parties to sustainable peace throughout all areas of South Sudan, the Parties have agreed that they may engage other armed groups outside the SSDM/A who may be willing to enter into new agreements.

11. Breach of the Agreement

In the event of a substantial breach of any part of this Agreement, which cannot be resolved within the JOC, either Party may refer such a breach to the attention of their principles; if not resolved, it can be referred to the plenary group that conducted and supported the negotiation of this Agreement.

12. Entry into Force of this Agreement

a. This Agreement shall enter into force from the day of signing of the Agreement.

Signed this 27 day of February 2012

Signed for the Government of Republic of South Sudan (GRSS)

Signed for the South Sudan Democratic Movement/Army (SSDM/A)