

**COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT FOR PROGRESS ORGANIZATION (CEPO)
YEI RIVER COUNTY-CES.**

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EPC-Christian women Hall
Yei River County.

Preamble

Affirming that we cannot afford to return to mistrust among ourselves and has a moral obligation to restore security and state of stability and forge a path towards sustainable an everlasting peace Yei River county,

Recognizing the importance of Dialogue in helping us come to terms with the bequests of difference by promoting healing and reconciliation, uncovering the facts and circumstances of good coordination, helping repair the harms that have been done, and addressing freedom in the Yei,

Acknowledging the responsibilities of all the institution in Yei River County that it's their mandate to give service to the community as duty bearer,

Further noting the work of every institution in a different capacity being religious or organize force was to protect the civil population again to oversee and coordinate with the society effectiveness for peace,

Appreciating the three days dialogue which has come in right time to negotiate the issues affecting the people in sharing of information that hindered coordination and which creates mistrust on to be asserted,

Cognizant that this initiative in partnership with everyone and in collaboration with each other in this dialogue to address issues affecting both religious and organize forces in order to create a peaceful and conducive ground for rebuilding durable trust and peace.

KEY ISSUES/FINDINGS

1. Lack of co-operation: co-ordination and trust amongst the different stakeholder (army, religious leaders, civilians and the local leader.
2. Dissemination of unverified security issues by the media houses, civilians, or unauthorized person.
3. Rebels staying together within the local population making it difficult to identify them by the security personnel.
4. Intimidation of civilians by men in uniform e.g. Extorting money at road blocks
5. Use of hate speech, tribalism, discrimination amongst different stakeholders i.e. civilians, military and religious institution.
6. Lack of proper reporting mechanism on security matters.
7. Hiding of related security information by civilians to security personnel.
8. Failure of different stakeholders in understanding their mandate and roles toward bring peace for peaceful co-existence.
9. Failure to follow and respect the rule of laws.
10. Lack of respect toward existing government structure, religious institution and civil population.

RESOLUTIONS

The participants in this Stakeholder dialogue, comprised of a diverse group of stakeholders representing Religious Institutions, Organized force, women's associations, youth associations, the Local Government administrators, and other stakeholders like the paramount chief, have deliberated and arrived at the following resolutions:

1. Stakeholders to build strong relationship, mutual understanding and co-operation.
2. Different stakeholders to respect each other's mandate and responsibilities
3. Strengthen existing mechanisms for identification and reporting of early warnings signals to address security threats in the community.
4. Confirmation of any security related issues be done through relevant and unauthorized sources.
5. There must be regular meeting between security agencies at military based and set structures at Boma, Payam and County levels to address security threats.
6. Use of existing structures (religious institutions, peace committees, women and youth structures) to promote nationalism and sensitize people on the dangers of hate speech propaganda
7. Local leaders sensitize the community on the importance of maintaining peace and stability in the communities
8. Advocacy for timely and regular salary payment to soldiers.
9. Collection of taxes must be done by authorized revenue collection officers in all roadblocks.
10. Report any illegal collection of money by any unauthorized person to relevant authorities.
11. Religious institutions to act as peace ambassadors and spear head mediation among conflicting parties to bring sustainable peace.
12. Media house should report accurate and verify information from reliable sources.
13. Religious institution to remain neutral and non-partisans
14. There should be no discrimination in the application of law.
15. There is a need for the civilian to respect the army as well as army respect civilian human life and dignity.
16. There is need for civilians to access accurate information from the relevant source.
17. Religious leaders to start preaching the word of God in the barracks to strengthen relations.
18. Civilians are allowed access to follow up with the security agencies on the reported cases

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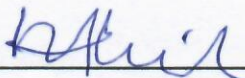
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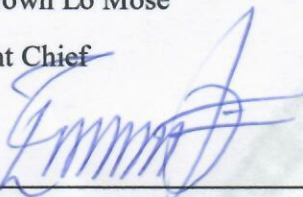
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