

Agreement of the Minister of the Interior on Security Arrangements in Abyei

17 January 2011

Based on the spirit and commitment of the CPA, other references of Abyei Area, including Abyei Protocol, the Road Map, the following Presidential decree no. (121) for 2008 regarding the establishment of Abyei Administration, the Ministerial decree no. (228) for 2008 regarding the establishment of Abyei Police and the decision of the Joint Defence Council in its meeting no. (33) dated 30/11/2010 and based on the previous experiences in resolving Abyei issues, the following have met:

- 1 – The federal Minister of Interior
- 2 – GOSS Minister of Interior
- 3 – Governors of Southern Kordofan State, Unity State, Northern Bahr El-Gazal State, Abyei Administrator and Deputy Abyei Administrator.
- 4 – The Chair and Co-Chair of the Joint Defense Council
- 5 – Deputy General Manager of Police and Deputy General Manager of National Security and Intelligence.
- 6 – Representatives from SAF, Police and National Security
- 7 – With attendance of the SRSG, UNMIS Force Commander and their assistance.

The meeting was held in Kadugli on Sunday 17th January 2011 and characterized by spirit of cooperation and productive discussion that led the parties to agree on the following points:

- (1) Opening of all roads to the voluntary returnees from the South under the escort and protection of federal SAF and Police up to the 01/01/1956 borders where SPLA and South Police will take over the responsibility of returnees protection.
- (2) Opening of stock corridors under the protection of SAF and Police up to 01/01/1956 borders and then the SPLA and South Police will take over the responsibility of the corridors protection in the South.
- (3) The additional Police forces coming from the south and now deployed North Abyei should be assembled inside Abyei and replaced by two battalions from the Joint Integrated Units (JIUs).
- (4) UNMIS will take the supervision and monitoring of this agreement besides providing the logistical support for the implementation of the agreement.
- (5) A joint technical committee of high-ranked police officers from the North and the South is to be formed to review the police forces situation in Abyei and the committee should propose remedy recommendations to the concerned authorities (the two Ministers of Interior of the North and South).
- (6) Organization of arms carrying according to recommendations of the reconciliation agreement between the Misseriya and Dinka Nogk signed in Kadugli on 12/01/2011.

(7) The meeting appealed to the President to enhance identification of immediate solution to Abyei problem.

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