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OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL ENVOYS FOR SOUTH SUDAN

OUTCOME OF THE MEETING OF THE PRINCIPAL SIGNATORY PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT ON PLANNING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS IN CHAPTER II OF THE AGREEMENT 21 OCTOBER - 3 NOVEMBER 2015

- 1. The Principal Signatories of the Agreement to Resolve the Crisis in the Republic of South Sudan, namely, the Government of the Republic of South Sudan (GRSS), the SPLM/SPLA-IO, and the SPLM Leaders (Former Detainees) met at the Chief Negotiators level including their military command from 21 October to 3 November 2015 and held extensive discussions on Planning Implementation of the Provisions in Chapter II of the Agreement. The Agenda items included concerns raised in the IGAD Envoys harmonization document dated October 23, 2015 and any other concerns that needed to be resolved to ensure the Implementation of the Permanent Ceasefire and operationalization of the institutions provided for in the Agreement, and in the implementation timeline.
- Recognizing the progress made by the Leadership Committee of the Signatory Parties by signing the Resolutions, Recommendations and Timelines on the Implementation Process have further agreed to the Transitional Security Arrangements for Juba, Bor, Malakal and Bentiu.
- The Signatory Parties further commit themselves to build confidence between the Parties to the Agreement and to ensure security is provided to leaders and citizens in the Republic of South Sudan.
- After the SPLM/SPLA-IO signed the Minutes of the Workshop, the Principal signatories discussed and reached the following resolutions and recommendations:
 - Mobilization of resources through joint appeal by the Parties;
 - Immediate appeal for resources to IGAD PLUS, AU, UN, Troika, China, the EU, IPF, Arab League and regional and international partners to meet urgent needs for implementation of the Agreement particularly for cantonment of forces, establishment of assembly areas, provision of food and non-food items, transport/mobility, grading and clearance of access roads, etc;
 - Ministry of Finance shall prepare detailed budget for the implementation of the Agreement during the Pre-Transition and Transition Period;
 - Parties to the Agreement shall launch a donor conference to mobilize resources in accordance with the budget prepared by the Ministry of Finance. The venue and date shall be determined after consultations with the Partners;
 - 4.2. Improvement of communication with the IGAD Secretariat by:

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- Establishment of JMEC Secretariat in Juba as per Article 2.7 of Chapter II of the Agreement;
- Establishment of the other coordination channels of communication;
- 4.3. Participation of the Political Parties in the implementation process;
 - IGAD Envoys in collaboration with the GRSS to immediately convene a meeting of political parties in Juba in order to determine their signing of the Agreement and participation in the institutions established by the Agreement;
- 4.4. Arrival of advance team in mid November 2015 to Juba;
 - SPLM/SPLA-IO Team to arrive in Juba in mid November 2015:
 - Return of the SPLM Leaders (FDs) in Juba in mid November 2015;
 - SPLM/SPLA-IO and the SPLM Leaders (FDs) shall communicate the number of members of their delegation to the GRSS for facilitation;
- 4.5. Peace building: Mobilization and sensitization of the public through dissemination of the Agreement;
 - > The process shall be conducted by the Parties to the Agreement:
 - The activities to be conducted shall include travel, arrival, and maintenance of advance teams in Juba and the states, meetings, workshops, mobility, communication etc;
 - The activities must be resourced by the GRSS with the support of IGAD PLUS, AU, UN, Troika, China, the EU, IPF, Arab League, regional and international partners and friends of South Sudan;
- 4.6. Timelines for the Operationalization of the Implementation Mechanisms;
 - According to the Agreement, if the D-day is August 26, 2015, the Pre-Transitional Period shall end on November 23, 2015. From October 26, 2015, we are left with only 27 days to establish the TGONU and commencement of the Transitional Period. The major constraint to the establishment of the TGONU on time is the process of amending the Transitional Constitution, which requires 21 days for the NCAC to incorporation the Agreement into the constitution, 7 days for the Minister of Justice to present it to the Council of Ministers and the adoption by Transitional National Assembly (TNA). The Agreement provides that the TNA shall adopt the constitution within 30 days and not after 30 days as provided in the current constitution. The President shall assent to and sign the constitution within 7 days. Therefore, the total number of days required to accomplish the process is 65 days.
 - If the time to accomplish the process remains 65 days, the Pre-Transitional Period shall end on December 28, 2015 and this would allow for the establishment of the TGONU between December 28, 2015 and January 27, 2016.
 - If the process of adopting the amendments is reduced by 14 days and the NCAC is timely established, the D-day can be reset to October 27, 2015 and this would allow for the establishment of the TGONU between December 15, 2015 and January 15, 2016.

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 Given the fact that the process leading to the formation of TGONU has lagged far behind schedule as per the implementation matrix of the Agreement and if all other issues remain the same, the Leadership Committee recommends the adoption of the second option, which is between December 15, 2015 and January 15, 2016.

Appeal for resources: 4.7.

Following the signing of the Agreement on the Resolution of the Conflict in the Republic of South Sudan (ARCISS), the Leadership Committee of the Parties to the Agreement requests the IGAD PLUS to make an appeal to regional and international partners and friends of South Sudan to help finance the immediate needs to implement the Agreement.

Signed this 3rd day of November 2015 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

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