



Reconstituted Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission (RJMEC)

Resolution of the RJMEC

2nd Extraordinary Meeting

**Beijing Juba Hotel, 1st September 2022
Juba, South Sudan**

The 2nd extraordinary meeting of the Reconstituted Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission (RJMEC) convened in Juba, South Sudan, on 1st September 2022 chaired by the Interim Chairperson of the RJMEC, Amb. Maj Gen (rtd) Charles Tai Gituai.

In attendance were the representatives of the Parties, other South Sudanese Stakeholders and Adherents in RJMEC, regional guarantors, international partners and friends of South Sudan, and the Agreement Institutions and Mechanisms namely:

For the Parties to the R-ARCSS:

1. Hon. Dr. Martin Elia Lomuro (ITGoNU)
2. Hon. Michael Makuei Lueth (ITGoNU)
3. Hon. Awut Deng Acuil (ITGoNU)
4. Hon. Mary Nawai Martin (ITGoNU)
5. Hon. Michael Chiengjiek Geay Mut (ITGoNU)
6. Hon. Amb. Stephen Par Kuol (SPLM/IO)
7. Hon. Sandra Bona Malwal (SPLM/IO)
8. Mr. Malong Thiik Riny (SSOA)
9. Hon. Wilson Lodiong Sebit (OPP)
10. Maj. Gen. Bior Leek (FDs)

For the Other South Sudanese Stakeholders and Adherents:

1. Hon. Charles M. Jongo (Faith-based leader)
2. Mr. Mohamed El-Hassan Abdel Mergan (Faith-based leader) - Online
3. Mr. Akuech Ajang Nyamhom (CSO Alliance)
4. Mrs. Maria Gideon (Women Bloc)
5. Dr. Siham Osman (Women Coalition)
6. Prof. Pauline Riek (Academia) - Online
7. Hon. Amb. John Yoh Gai (Eminent Personality)
8. Prof. Moses Macar Kacuol (Eminent Personality)
9. Ms. Christine Kide (Youth)
10. Mr. Malish John (Youth)
11. Ms. Yar Manoa Majok (Business Community)
12. Mrs. Anne Silvestro (Business Community)

For the Regional Guarantors:

1. Mr. Gamal Malik Ahmed Goraish (Sudan)
2. H.E. Nebil Mahdi Abdullahi (Ethiopia)
3. H.E. Ronnie Balya (Uganda)
4. H.E. Maj Gen (rtd) Samuel Nandwa (Kenya)
5. Mr. Hassan Robleh Mahamoud (Djibouti)
6. H.E. Abdihakim Omar (Somalia)
7. H.E. Adv. Mahlodi Muofhe (South Africa)
8. H.E. Abd-EL Naceur Belaid (Algeria) – Online
9. H.E. Cherif Mahamat Zene (Chad) – Online
10. Mr. Kataps Gaius Keafon (Nigeria)
11. H.E. Mrs. Hope Tumukunde Gasatura (Rwanda) – Online
12. Mr. Mashood Isaka (AUMISS)
13. H.E. Ismail Wais (IGAD Special Envoy)

For International Partners and Friends of South Sudan:

1. Mr. Ma Wenjun (China)
2. Mr. Lars Petter Henie (Norway)
3. H.E. Jonny Baxter (UK)
4. H.E. Michael J. Adler (USA)
5. Mr. Nicholas Haysom (UNMISS)
6. Mr. Dionyz Hochel (EU)
7. H.E. Marjan Schippers (IPF)

For RJMEC Secretariat:

1. Amb. Berhanu Kebede, Chief of Staff
2. Dr. Thomson Fontaine, Deputy Chief of Staff - Strategy
3. Mr. Stephen Oola, Senior Advisor - Legal and Constitutional Affairs

For the Agreement Institutions and Mechanisms:

1. Ustaz Stephen Wiw Bichiok, Head of Secretariat NTC
2. Lt. Gen. Asrat Denelo Amad, Chairperson CTSAMVM
3. Maj. Gen. Saeed Mohamed Elshiekh, Deputy Chairperson CTSAMVM
4. Lt. Gen. Rabi Mujung Emanuel, Representative of JDB Chairperson
5. Lt. Gen. Thomas Jul Thomas, Member JDB
6. Hon. Angelina Teny, Chairperson, SDSR Board
7. Mr. Angelo Madut Agoth, Head of Secretariat, SDSR Board
8. Hon. Lt. Gen. Chol Thon (SDSR)
9. Hon. Lt. Gen. Ayuen Alier Jongroor, Chairperson, DDR Commission
10. Mr. Wilson Lual Lual, Head of Secretariat DDR Commission
11. Lt. Gen. Dr. Olaw Adiang, Head of JSTC Secretariat

Observers:

1. Ambassador Dhano Obongo (MOFA)
2. Mr. Xavier Verjus-Renard (France)
3. H.E. Moatez Mohammed (Egypt)
4. Ms. Watanabe Tomoko (Japan)
5. Mr. Simon Ruf (Germany)
6. H.E. Sencer Kagan Senol, (Turkiye)
7. Mr. Georg Stein (Switzerland)
8. Mr. Tomas Brundin (Sweden)
9. H.E. Vishnu Kumar Sharma (India)
10. Ms. Rukaya Mohammed (UNWomen)
11. Mrs. Catherine Waliaula (UNDP)

The 2nd Extraordinary RJMEC meeting considered the following agenda items:

- a) Statement by RJMEC Interim Chairperson;
- b) Presentation of the Agreement of the Parties' Roadmap by the RTGoNU;
- c) Statements/Deliberations by RJMEC members on the Roadmap; and
- d) Decision-making on the Roadmap.

Following the statement by the Interim Chairperson, presentation of the “Agreement of the Parties on a Roadmap to a Peaceful and Democratic end of the Transitional Period of the R-ARCSS” (Roadmap) by the RTGoNU, statements and deliberations by RJMEC members on the Roadmap, the RJMEC resolved as follows:

1. **Welcomed** the statement of H.E. Amb. Maj. Gen. (rtd) Charles Tai Gituai, the RJMEC Interim Chairperson, his considered guidance on the RTGoNU Roadmap, and endorsed all his recommendations therein;
2. **Appreciated** Hon. Martin Elia Lomuro, Minister for Cabinet Affairs of the RTGoNU for his detailed presentation of the RTGoNU Roadmap;
3. **Commended** the Parties to the R-ARCSS for reaching agreement on the Roadmap, **appreciated** that it was developed and owned by the Parties themselves, and in this regard **urged** them to fully implement it, and to adhere to the implementation schedules;
4. **Congratulated** the RTGoNU Leadership, H.E. Salva Kiir Mayardit, President of the Republic of South Sudan, H.E. Dr. Riek Machar Teny, First Vice President, the Four Vice Presidents of the Republic of South Sudan, and all the Parties to the Revitalised Peace Agreement on the milestone graduation of the first batch of the Necessary Unified Forces (NUF) on 30th August 2022 and **urged** them to complete all the pending graduation and redeployment and to commence Phase II of the unification of forces and DDR immediately without delay;
5. **Deliberated** on the content of the Roadmap and made the following observations and recommendations to the RTGoNU, namely:
 - a. **Identified** a number of tasks in the Roadmap, whose deadlines have already passed, and in this regard **urged** the RTGoNU to review and update the timelines in the Implementation Matrix contained in the Annex of the Roadmap;
 - b. **Identified** some omissions of some mechanisms like DDR and **urged** the RTGoNU to correct these omissions and to implement the Roadmap in accordance with the R-ARCSS;
 - c. **Appreciated** RTGoNU confirmation of budget for the implementation of the Revitalized Peace Agreement in the budget of the FY 2022/2023 and

- urged** the RTGoNU to ensure timely disbursement of funds for the implementation of the Roadmap in a clear and transparent manner;
- d. **Observed** concerns over the limited nature of the consultations conducted prior to the development of the Roadmap, and **urged** the RTGoNU Parties to implement the Roadmap in an inclusive manner, including by continuously consulting with all relevant stakeholders, including civil society actors, during its implementation; and
 - e. **Urged** the RTGoNU to demonstrate full and unwavering political will and commitment to implement all the priority tasks set out in the Roadmap, in accordance with letter and spirit of the Revitalised Peace Agreement and **encouraged** the RTGoNU to implement additional interim measures, including an economic recovery plan to improve the economy and the current business environment.
6. **Welcomed** the new spirit of cooperation demonstrated by the Parties in the agreement on the Roadmap, the ending of the SPLM/A-IO boycott of the Reconstituted TNLA, the graduation of the first batch of the Necessary Unified Forces, as well as recent breakthrough achieved in the meetings of the Presidency and **encouraged** the Parties to continuously dialogue, work together to enhance their rebuilding of trust and confidence in the peace process, by taking concrete steps to address all the key impediments to progress in the implementation of the RARCSS;
7. **Welcomed** the assurance by the RTGoNU to consider and act on all the concerns, observations and recommendations of the RJMEC members on the Roadmap, and its implementation;
8. **Considered** the questions whether RJMEC members wished to make a decision on the extension of the Transitional Period today, or after three months to give the RTGoNU time for consultations with the citizens before any extension? In this regard, thirty-five (35) members voted to decide today, rather than postpone the vote by three months. Three (03) members voted to postpone the decision on the extension for three months, and Four (04) did not vote.
9. **Further considered** the question whether RJMEC members consent or not consent to the extension of the Transitional Period, effective 23rd February 2023 to 22nd February 2025, to which thirty-seven (37) members voted in favour, four (04) did not vote and one (01) was absent at the time of voting.

10. **Decided by thirty-seven (37) members out of forty-two (42) members present to consent** to the proposed amendment to Article 1.1.2 of the R-ARCSS to extend the Transitional Period for twenty-four (24) months effective 22nd February 2023 to 22nd February 2025 and **urged** the RTGoNU and Parties to strictly adhere to it, and to implement it in accordance with the provisions of the Revitalized Peace Agreement;
11. **Reiterated** its appeal to all partners within the region, continent and international community to support the RTGoNU efforts to implement the Agreement, and to provide additional and sufficient financial, political and legal support to all Agreement institutions and mechanisms, especially the RJMEC Secretariat and CTSAMVM to effectively discharge their mandates;
12. **Stressed** the importance of strong monitoring mechanisms and **urged** all RJMEC members to effectively undertake their collective mandate, as monitors and evaluators of the R-ARCSS and to proactively monitor the implementation of the Roadmap, to continuously engage with the RTGoNU, and where necessary to propose remedial measures to overcome the challenges to the peace process in order to facilitate progress;
13. **Appealed** to the IGAD and its member states, AU-C5, African Union Commission, as guarantors, and the United Nations, EU, IPF, China, Troika, and other partners to remain seized of the implementation of the R-ARCSS, critically review all RJMEC's implementation status reports and to act on RJMECs recommendations to ensure that RTGoNU Parties adhere to, and fully implement the Roadmap; and
14. **Decided** to remain seized of all RJMEC matters.

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