



Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission

(JMEC)

Reconstituted Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission (RJMEC)

Rules of Procedure

November 2018

Pursuance to Chapter VII of the Revitalised Agreement on the Resolution of the Conflict in the Republic of South Sudan, 2018 (hereinafter the R-ACRSS), these Rules of Procedure for the reconstituted Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission (R-JMEC) is adopted in accordance with Clause 9 of the R-JMEC Terms of Reference 2018 to guide the convening and conduct of the RJMEC meetings as provided under Article 7.12 of the R-ARCSS 2018.

1. Meetings of the RJMEC

- 1.1. Regular meetings of RJMEC shall be conducted at least once every month.
- 1.2. Extra ordinary meetings of the RJME shall be conducted at any time as circumstances may necessitate.
- 1.3. All meetings of the RJMEC shall be chaired by the RJMEC Chairperson, Acting Chairperson or a delegated member who shall retain control on the conduct of the meeting.
- 1.4. All members shall during RJMEC meetings conduct themselves in accordance with this Rules of Procedure.

2. Composition and Quorum

- 2.1. The RJMEC shall comprise a Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson(s); representatives of the Parties to the R-ARCSS, the South Sudanese Stakeholders and Adherents, Regional Guarantors, and International Partners and Friends of South Sudan, as outlined in Chapter VII, Articles 7.2 of the R-ACRSS;
- 2.2. As outlined in Chapter VII, Article 7.14 of the R-ARCSS, the quorum of the RJMEC meeting shall be twenty-nine (29) representatives, of which at least fifteen (15) of the members shall be South Sudanese stakeholders and adherents and the other fourteen (14) from regional and international group. In the event that the quorum of RJMEC meeting is not reached in two successive meetings, the RJMEC shall convene with the members present at the third meeting.
- 2.3. Participation in RJMEC meetings shall be for accredited “Members Only” or their duly nominated replacement accredited by RJMEC Secretariat at least one day before the meeting. Each RJMEC member shall be issued with an Identification Tag which must be produced for admission to the meeting hall. A member of RJMEC wishing to bring one assistant to attend the meeting shall request for accreditation prior to the meeting.
- 2.4. Accredited “Media or Observers” shall be admitted to the open session of the RJMEC meeting but shall be requested to take leave at any stage of the proceedings.

3. Notice of RJMEC Meetings, Agendas and Venue

- 3.1. Notice and draft agenda of any regular RJMEC meetings shall be circulated no less than 72 hours in advance. Any member of RJMEC may propose additional agenda items for discussion.
- 3.2. The Chairperson may call for an extra-ordinary meeting of the RJMEC at any time, or upon request of at least one-thirds of the membership of RJMEC.
- 3.3. Draft agendas for extraordinary meetings of RJMEC shall be circulated as soon as possible following the notice of an extraordinary meeting of RJMEC.
- 3.4. The Meeting of RJMEC shall be held in Juba, except where circumstances necessitate otherwise.

4. Decisions of RJMEC

- 4.1. The decisions of the RJMEC shall be by consensus, failing of which a simple majority of the voting members present shall prevail.
- 4.2. The Chairperson of RJMEC shall record the key issues which require decision of the RJMEC and strive to achieve consensus.
- 4.3. If there is no consensus on a matter before the RJMEC, the Chairperson shall put the question to members to vote by show of hand.
- 4.4. The Secretariat shall record all decisions arrived at, as “**Resolutions of the RJMEC**” which shall be published and disseminated to the public using all possible means.

5. Reports of RJMEC Working Committees

- 5.1. The Chairpersons of the RJMEC Working Committees may upon request of the Chairperson of the RJMEC occasionally brief the RJMEC meetings on their work and assessment on the status of implementation of the R-ARCSS under their terms of reference.

6. Reports and Briefings of RJMEC

- 6.1. The RJMEC shall brief regularly the Executive of the RTGoNU, and submit written reports, followed by detailed briefings, to the RTGoNU Council of Ministers, the Transitional National Legislative Assembly, the Chairperson of the IGAD Assembly of Heads of State and Government, Chairperson of the IGAD Council of Ministers, the Chairperson of the African Union Commission, the Peace and Security Council of the African Union (AU-PSC), and to the Secretary-General and Security Council of the United Nations on the status of implementation of this Agreement every three (03) months.
- 6.2. The RJMEC shall receive briefings from a representative of the RTGoNU and relevant Agreement Institutions and Mechanisms on the status of implementation of the R-ARCSS and their respective mandate or clarify on any related matter.
- 6.3. The Chairperson of the RJMEC shall inform the RTGoNU and the relevant Agreement Institutions and Mechanisms of the RJMEC meeting schedule.

7. Minutes and Records

- 7.1. The Secretariat shall ensure that records of all RJMEC activities are kept and appropriately archived.
- 7.2. Subject to the approval of the Chairperson, the Secretariat may publish any reports presented and discussed by RJMEC on its website.

8. Observers

- 8.1. The Chairperson of the RJMEC may invite observers or other persons to attend RJMEC regular or extra-ordinary meetings, as the case may be.

9. Privileges and Immunities

- 9.1. The venue of RJMEC meetings and accredited representatives shall enjoy similar privileges and immunities accorded to diplomatic corps and affiliated staff as per the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations done at Vienna on 18 April 1961 and entered force on 24 April 1964.

Adopted this 19th day of November 2018

Signed

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Interim Chairperson, RJMEC