

Country/entity South Sudan

Region Africa (excl MENA)

Agreement name Joint Peace Committee Meeting Resolution (Payinjar, Yirol and Rumbek-Amongpiny)

Date 16 May 2018

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim arrangement Yes

Agreement/conflict level Intrastate/local conflict

Sudan Conflicts (1955 -)

Agreements relate to several distinct dyads, and also the negotiated independence of South Sudan, and subsequent internal conflict in South Sudan. Sudan-South Sudan. The long-standing conflict between the north and the south of the country dates back to colonial times, where the British introduced a so-called 'Southern Policy', severely hampering population movements between these big regions. Immediately after gaining independence in 1956, southern movements started to fight for independence; this fight became professionalised in 1983 with the foundation of the soon internationally supported Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA). When the Islamic Front government introduced strict sharia laws in the south after it took over power in 1988 the war intensified. A decade later, the military situation reached a stalemate, enabling internationally facilitated peace negotiations to begin in 1997. After more fighting, a final negotiation push began in 2002, leading to the signing of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) in January 2005.

Sudan-South Sudan post referendum. South Sudan became independent in July 2011; since then, relations between the two countries are complicated and violent conflict led by the SPLM (North) in the Sudanese Nuba mountains region has since intensified.

Darfur. Other long-standing violent conflicts are in the east and the west of the country. In the east, the Beja Congress, established in 1957, is the spearhead of a currently 'peaceful' opposition movement. In the west, the violent conflict in Darfur intensified in the early 2000s and rapidly gained international attention, even resulting in genocide charges against leading figures of the Sudanese government. The situation on the ground is complex, with over a dozen organisations (most notably the Sudanese Liberation Movement and the Justice and Equality Movement) fighting the Sudanese government and allied groups like the Janjaweed – although all parties have switched sides on numerous occasions. Several mediation attempts have not been successful, due to the shaky commitment of the Sudanese central government and the distrust among the armed opposition.

South Sudan - internal

In December 2013, after president Salva Kiir accused opposition leader Riek Machar of attempting a coup, violent conflict broke out between government forces of the SPLM/A and anti-governmental groups. In addition, several other political militias as well as communal militias have joined the conflict. In 2015 the Agreement on the Resolution of the Conflict in South Sudan (ARCSS) was signed. Due to unsuccessful implementation the agreement was revitalized in 2018. In September 2019, Kiir and Machar agreed to establish a power-sharing government after struggles on forming a unity transitional government.

Close

Sudan Conflicts (1955 -)

Stage Implementation/renegotiation

Conflict nature Inter-group

Peace process	South Sudan: Post-secession Local agreements
Parties	Signed on behalf of Payinjiar, Yirol and Amongpiny this 16th Day of May, 2018 in Ganyliel 1. Paramount Chief Gordon Chieny Mayom, Payinjiar Community 2. Paramount Chief Andrew Mdut Buoi, Yirol Community 3. Mr. Buong Lau Chath, Youth Representative Amongpiny
Third parties	-
Description	The agreement is a result of a joint peace committee meeting amongst representatives from Payinjiar, Yirol and Amongpiny. The agreement resolutions commit these communities to a range of actions and are part of an effort to end violence and cattle raiding.

Agreement document [SS_180516_Joint Peace Committee Meeting Resolution \(Payinjiar, Yirol and Rumbek-Amongpiny\).pdf \(opens in new tab\)](#) | [Download PDF](#)

Groups

Children/youth	Groups→Children/youth→Substantive Page 2 We declare and adopt the following ... -Youth Monthly Forum should be extended to payam levels this is to encourage the community in gross root to understand the importance of peace. Groups→Children/youth→Other Page 1 Chiefs, Church representatives, Elders, women and youth leaders from Payinjiar, Yirol and Amongpiny have met in the Joint Peace Committee meeting in Ganyliel under the auspices of AMA. The meeting has established Resolutions, and declared that border grazing lands and fishing ground that was abandoned due to inter-communal insecurity or conflict, shall be available immediately as shared resources between community of Payinjiar and Yirol shall be settled and utilized peacefully and harmoniously.
Disabled persons	No specific mention.
Elderly/age	No specific mention.
Migrant workers	No specific mention.
Racial/ethnic/national group	No specific mention.

Religious groups Groups→Religious groups→Other
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Indigenous people No specific mention.

Other groups No specific mention.

Refugees/displaced persons Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Rhetorical
Page 2
We declare and adopt the following
...
-There was a call for IDPs support, especially those coming from Central Unity State and Maper County.

Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender Page 1
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Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state (general) No specific mention.

State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

**Independence/
secession** No specific mention.

**Accession/
unification** No specific mention.

Border delimitation No specific mention.

**Cross-border
provision** No specific mention.

Governance

**Political
institutions (new or
reformed)** No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

**Electoral
commission** No specific mention.

**Political parties
reform** No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

**Traditional/
religious leaders** Page 1
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**Public
administration** No specific mention.

Constitution No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political power sharing No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication No specific mention.

Mobility/access Page 2
We declare and adopt the following
...
-Exchange visits and freedom of movement is affirmed and inter-communal trade, development and services encouraged.

Protection measures No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions No specific mention.

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law No specific mention.

State of emergency provisions No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws Page 2
We declare and adopt the following
...
-It was agreed that there was a need for a blood compensation and compensation of other properties that were damaged and destroyed as a result of action of other communities such as cattle raided should be returned.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development
Page 2

We declare and adopt the following

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-Exchange visits and freedom of movement is affirmed and inter-communal trade, development and services encouraged.

Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Infrastructure and reconstruction

Page 2

We declare and adopt the following

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-There was also a call for development partners to dig boreholes that are strategically located along roads to support free movement of people to support peace activities.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources Page 1
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International funds No specific mention.

Business Page 2
We declare and adopt the following
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Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/ nomadism rights

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We declare and adopt the following

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-It was agreed that there was a need for sensitization and mobilization of communities of four locations of Yirol, Payinjiar, Rumbek North (Maper) and Amongpiny against cattle raiding, robbery, border conflict and river Nile attack.

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...

-There was also a call for support of livestock health.

Cultural heritage

Land, property and environment→Cultural heritage→Intangible

Page 2

We declare and adapt the following

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-It was agreed that there should be practices of inter-communal art and culture to promote peace among the communities.

Environment

No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access

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-It was agreed that there was an immediate need to form a regional body that will monitor peace along the borders and on the river Nile.

Security sector

Security Guarantees No specific mention.

Ceasefire No specific mention.

Police No specific mention.

Armed forces No specific mention.

DDR No specific mention.

Intelligence services No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces No specific mention.

Withdrawal of foreign forces No specific mention.

Corruption No specific mention.

Crime/organised crime Page 2
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...
-The participants resolved also that the rules to govern this peace shall be developed, and any body or group of people from either side shall be accountable for any border crime(s).

Drugs No specific mention.

Terrorism No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general No specific mention.

Amnesty/pardon No specific mention.

Courts	No specific mention.
Mechanism	No specific mention.
Prisoner release	No specific mention.
Vetting	No specific mention.
Victims	No specific mention.
Missing persons	No specific mention.
Reparations	Transitional justice→Reparations→Material reparations Page 2 We declare and adopt the following ... -It was agreed that there was a need for a blood compensation and compensation of other properties that were damaged and destroyed as a result of action of other communities such as cattle raided should be returned.
Reconciliation	No specific mention.

Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism No specific mention.

Related cases No specific mention.

Source Alan Boswell, 'Do local peace deals work? Evidence from South Sudan's civil war'. Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (2019). Available at: <http://library.fes.de/pdf-files/bueros/uganda/15872.pdf> (Accessed 20 June 2020).