

Country/entity South Sudan

Region Africa (excl MENA)

Agreement name Pageri Peace Forum Resolutions

Date 6 Mar 2020

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 Framework/substantive - comprehensive

Conflict nature Inter-group

Peace process South Sudan post-secession process

Parties

A. Representatives Chiefs

1. Magret Oliva, PAYAM CHIEF, MOLI
2. Maku Felix, HEAD CHIEF, PAGERI PAYAM
3. Isaac Cinya, BOMA CHIEF, MUGALI
4. John Anzo, HEAD CHIEF, MUGALI
5. Akim John, CHIEF, BEKANGWA
6. Bol Kwiiir, CHIEF, DINKA COMMUNITY
7. Martine Bona Akim, CHIEF OPARI
8. Felix Maku, BOMA CHIEF PAGERI

[Signature to side – not numbered] Koma James Aliku, Chief Nimule, Central Boma
[Signature to side – not numbered] Tobias Nduru, Head Chief of Opari

B. Representative Civil Society Organisations (CSOs)

1. Mary Yar WOMEN ASSOCIATION NETWORK NIMULE
2. Maneno Rukia, PEACE LINK FOUNDATION

C. Representatives of the Refugees

1. Taban Michael Ben, Pangirinyang Refugee Camp Uganda

D. Representative Business Community Nimule

1. Steward Orule, Representative Business Community, Nimule

E. Representative Peace Committee, Nimule

1. Awizia Night Orrick, Chairlady

F. Representative Youth, Nimule

1. Komo Bosco, Youth Leader
- [Signature to side] FADIL SILIMAN, Youth Leader

G. Representative of Cattle Herders

1. Abraham Makur Duot, Secretary Cattle Herders in Equatoria Region

H. Representatives Organize Forces, Commanders

1. James Omondi, Administrator, Wild Life Conservation, Nimule
2. David Lohai, Assistant Director, national Civil Defence Service, Nimule
3. Captain Sunday Silvino Akai Jamus, Acting Chief Inspector of Police, Nimule
4. Brigadier Angelo Dut Aduol, SSPDF Commander Artillary Moli
5. LT COL Majok Deng, Tiger Division, Pageri Barrack
6. MAJ Akol Amet Major, Tiger Division, Nimule Barrack

Third parties WITNESSES TO THE AGREEMENT
I. Representative Religions Leaders
Fr. Lazarus OLLA, Chair, Person Inter Church Committee (ICC), Nimule
J. County Authority
1. John Ohure Teeks, Executive Director
2. Hon, Emilio Igga, Former County Commissioner

Description The agreement includes the resolutions but not the summary of the forum. The resolutions touch on return and repatriation of displaced populations, trust-building, and managing cattle related disputes and natural resources.

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Groups

Children/youth Groups→Children/youth→Substantive
Page 3, Pageri Peace Forum Resolutions
1. Return/Repatriation of the IDPs and Refugees
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f) Government and partners should install better maternity and paediatric health facilities, furnish them with modern medical equipment to protect women and children.

Disabled persons No specific mention.

Elderly/age No specific mention.

Migrant workers No specific mention.

Racial/ethnic/national group No specific mention.

Religious groups No specific mention.

Indigenous people No specific mention.

Other groups No specific mention.

Refugees/displaced persons Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive
Page 3, Pageri Peace Forum Resolutions
1. Return/Repatriation of the IDPs and Refugees
a) There should be sensitization of IDPs and refugees in their respective camps on progress of implementation of R-ARCSS and community level peace processes intended to prepare their return home
b) Government and peace partners should support return of IDPs and refugees to their original settlements
c) Government and peace partners should initiate peace processes to address Uganda-South Sudan boarder encroachment dispute into South Sudan territory
d) Government should speed up withdrawal of military barracks from civilian areas to allow the return of the displaced and refugees
e) Government should speed up resettlement of IDPs living in disputed settlement areas to allow the return of those displaced elsewhere and of refugees
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Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender Page 3, Pageri Peace Forum Resolutions
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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	<p>Page 3, Pageri Peace Forum Resolutions 3. Management of Cattle Related Conflicts ...</p> <p>c) All cattle keepers should report their presence to local chiefs, and farmers should report their issues to local chiefs</p> <p>Page 4, Pageri Peace Forum Resolutions 5. Establishment of the Committee a) A Committee shall be established to implement these resolutions b) The committee is composed of representatives from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local government • Chiefs from Payam/Boma • Cattle keepers • Farmers/host communities • Police • Tiger Division, Nimule • National Security Service, Nimule • Wildlife • Civil Defence (Fire Brigade)
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 No specific mention.

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 Justice sector reform→Criminal justice and emergency law→Reform to specific laws
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4. Managing Natural Resources

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c) Whoever is found guilty of illegal logging shall be handled according to the provisions of South Sudan Forestry Act (if any).

d) In the absence of such an act, a court of law shall compel the accused to plant 50 seedlings of trees (of either same specify species of trees, imprisoned for a term not exceeding 14 years without bail. The logs or timber shall be confiscated by the government concerned.

State of emergency provisions No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

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

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National economic plan No specific mention.

- Natural resources** Page 4, Pageri Peace Forum Resolutions
4. Managing Natural Resources
- a) Logging of wood is hereby banned, effective from March 6, the day these resolutions were signed.
 - b) Logging licences issued by any level of government to individuals and companies have been annulled by the February 2020 Presidential decrees which dissolved national, states and local governments
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 - e) Government officials should not in any way be involved in illegal logging
 - f) Government shall have the right to license logging where it deems fit to finance its budget

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

**Pastoralist/
nomadism rights** Page 3, Pageri Peace Forum Resolutions
3. Management of Cattle Related Conflicts
a) An urgent Peace Forum to be convened between cattle keepers and farmers in Pageri before cultivation starts, to minimise or prevent possible conflict
b) All cattle shall be registered with the appropriate County authority and Town Councils
c) All cattle keepers should report their presence to local chiefs, and farmers should report their issues to local chiefs
d) All cattle keepers should move their cattle far from farmlands.
e) Seasonal movement of cattle shall be regulated by Local Authorities and Committees constituted to implement these resolutions, and shall not contradict these resolutions.
f) When cows/goats/pigs destroy crops, animal owners will pay the following fines to crop owners:
• each cow will be charged SSP 35,000
• each goat will be charged SSP 20,000
• each pig will be charged SSP 25,000
• If the animal owner does not have money, 30% of the animals that destroyed the crops will be used as compensation
a) Those taking cattle for grazing and water should do so without carrying guns to allow individual or group accountability when crops are destroyed
b) Cattle keepers should respect farmers or host communities
c) County authority and Town Council, with support from security organs, shall regulate the number of guns used by cattle keepers, who should be disarmed, if possible.

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• Tiger Division, Nimule
• National Security Service, Nimule
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Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

**Water or riparian
rights or access** No specific mention.

Security sector

Security Guarantees No specific mention.

Ceasefire No specific mention.

Police

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Armed forces

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b) Movement of soldiers (with or without uniform) carry weapons in the urban areas is hereby stopped. County authority or Town Council shall work with the military to establish or activate military police to regulate movement of soldiers in civilians' residential areas

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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	No specific mention.
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	No specific mention.
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

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Related cases

No specific mention.

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