

SUDAN PEOPLE'S LIBERATION MOVEMENT (SPLM)

FRAMEWORK FOR INTRA-SPLM DIALOGUE

Arusha, Tanzania October 20, 2014

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A) PREAMBLE:

Acknowledging that the current crisis in South Sudan is rooted in differences within the SPLM leadership;

Re-affirming our commitment to the reunification of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement and agreeing to continue to engage in the process of an Intra-SPLM Dialogue in Arusha, Tanzania;

Mindful that the Arusha process is essentially separate and distinct from the IGAD mediated peace talks among South Sudanese stakeholders;

Cognizant that the two processes, although separate, are mutually reinforcing;

Recognizing the tragic developments that have occurred in South Sudan since the outbreak of conflict in December, 2013;

Rejecting the use of violence as a means of resolving political disputes;

Believing that a peaceful, political solution must be found to resolve the conflict;

Bearing in mind the need to bring about lasting peace to our nation through dialogue on the basis of this framework document;

Appreciating the initiative of the leadership of the SPLM and Chama Cha Mapinduzi (CCM) for convening this Intra-SPLM Dialogue, and further expressing gratitude for the decision of the CCM to host and facilitate the Dialogue and the support of Crisis Management Initiative (CMI);

Now, therefore, agree to be guided by this Framework as detailed below:

B) PRINCIPLES:

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- Commitment to uphold and protect the sovereignty , independence and territorial integrity of South Sudan;
- Commitment to the core values of SPLM, including but not limited to peace, democracy, equality, freedom, inclusivity, social justice and unity in diversity;
- 3. Commitment to dialogue as a peaceful means of conflict resolution;
- 4. Commitment to reconciliation and a healing process to consolidate party unity and cohesion;
- 5. Re-commitment to democratic principles and practices;
- 6. Re-commitment to internal democracy especially on matters of decision making, elections, succession and peaceful transfer of power;
- 7. Re-commitment to transform the society by working towards the achievement of freedom, justice, equality and prosperity for all;
- 8. Commitment to the institutionalization of authority, party governance and discipline;
- 9. Commitment to the unity of SPLM as a safeguard against fragmentation of the country along ethnic and regional fault lines.

C) OBJECTIVES:

- Address the root causes of the current SPLM crisis in order to expeditiously reconcile its leadership and membership to restore unity and harmony in the party;
- 2. Initiate measures to stop the war, lead the government and the people of South Sudan towards peace, stability and prosperity;
- 3. Re-vitalize, re-organize, strengthen and restore the SPLM to its vision, principles, political direction and core values;
- 4. Promote and foster the spirit and exercise of collective leadership based on transparency and accountability; and

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5. Develop mechanisms to generate resources and ensure their efficient management and to combat corruption.

D) AGENDA

- 1. Situation analysis
- 1.1. History and evolution of the SPLM: self assessment and evaluation.
- 1.2. Synthesis of the problem
- 2. Experiences of Liberation Movements and CCM
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- 2.2. Experiences of CCM
- 2.3. Lessons learnt
- 3. The Way Forward
- 3.1. Political issues
- 3.2. Organizational issues
- 3.3. Leadership issues
- 4. Reconciliation and healing in the Party
- 5. Implementation mechanisms
- 6. Witnesses and Guarantors
- E) Annexes
 - 1. Rules of Engagement
 - 2. Role of CCM (The Facilitator)

Signed by SPLM Comrades:

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Annex One

(i) Rules of Engagement:

- Civility
- Mutual respect
- Honesty and frankness
- Confidentiality
- Listening to each other well and understanding the contexts properly
- Respect the right of individuals to express themselves no matter what their points of view might be
- o Avoid acrimonious approaches and finger pointing
- Avoid group defense and/or group attack
- Avoid polemics
- Have an agreed spokesperson, whose role is to communicate what is agreed by the members
- Unless otherwise agreed, all discussions shall be confined within this Framework

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Annex Two

(ii) Role of CCM (the Facilitator)

- Provide venue and facilities for the Intra-SPLM Dialogue
- Coordinate with the IGAD Special Envoys the timing of the two processes
- Update regional and international partners
- Coordinate the process with the SPLM focal points
- Guide the discussions with the view to allow members to reach consensus
- Declare the opening and closing of each session
- Set timetable of meetings in consultation with participants
- Organize sessions to share experiences of liberation movements and CCM
- Record and announce decisions and conclusions arising from meetings
- CCM invites the Crisis Management Initiative (CMI) to provide advisory, technical expertise, logistical support and resource mobilization in collaboration with Tanzania.
- Invite the Principals to meet at an appropriate stage in the process

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