# Peace Agreement Access Tool PA-X https://pax.peaceagreements.org/

**Country/entity** South Sudan

**Region** Africa (excl MENA)

**Agreement name** Peace and Reconciliation Conference between Magwi County Communities of Eastern

equatorial State and Juba County Communities of Central Equatoria State in Kit Area

**Date** 6 Sep 2008

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

**Interim** Yes

arrangement

### 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 Areement (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** Pre-negotiation/process

**Conflict nature** Inter-group

**Peace process** South Sudan: Pre-secession Local Peace Processes

Parties The Acholi, Madi, Lulubo and Bari communities

Third parties -

**Description** The document is the outcome of a Peace Conference to address inter-communal

violence between four groups: Acholi, Madi, Lulubo and Bari. The document documents the positions of the parties, and reaches interim proposals for resolution of the conflict,

which in essence serve as a pre-negotiation framing.

**Agreement** SS\_080906\_Peace and Reconciliation Conference in Kit Area.pdf (opens in new tab) |

document Download PDF

Groups

**Children/youth** No specific mention.

**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** No specific mention.

persons

**Social class** No specific mention.

## Gender

Women, girls and

gender

No specific mention.

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

#### Governance

**Political** Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→General references **institutions (new or** Page 13, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE: **reformed)** 

- 8. The final resolution shall come out after consultation with the disputed communities. After these consultations, the matter shall be referred to SSLA for final solution.
- 9. While the issues of arbitration shall be referred to SSLA, the Ad Hoc Committee shall be responsible for the following duties:
- a. Monitoring the implementation of the resolutions
- b. Response to issues of concern, especially pertaining to the communities on the ground
- c. The committee should be a link between the communities and GOSS

Page 14, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

11. Relevant Standing Committees of the two states Legislative Assemblies should oversee the implementation of the resolutions above.

**Elections** No specific mention.

Electoral commission

No specific mention.

Political parties reform

No specific mention.

**Civil society** No specific mention.

Traditional/ religious leaders

No specific mention.

Public administration

Page 13, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

2. All the beleaguered communities must abide by the 1956 boundaries demarcations...

(for reference to below)

6. Administrators of the two states must comply with Resolution NO. 2 above.

**Constitution** No specific mention.

#### **Power sharing**

# **Political power** sharing

No specific mention.

# **Territorial power** sharing

Power sharing→Territorial power sharing→Other Page 13, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

2. All the beleaguered communities must abide by the 1956 boundaries demarcations.

#### Page 13, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

- 4. Boarders of the two states shall be confirmed by maps and attested to by the various communities in the area.
- 5. Any one from the four communities may choose to live wherever he or she chooses to under that community chief where he or she decided to move.
- 6. Administrators of the two states must comply with Resolution NO. 2 above.
- 7. A. The administrators of the two states have a right to use their county or state flags along the common boarders in the disputed are. B. Either state authorities have a right to put up their infrastructures and sign posts in the disputed area, pending the resolution of the conflict.

#### Page 13, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

- 9. While the issues of arbitration shall be referred to SSLA, the Ad Hoc Committee shall be responsible for the following duties:
- a. Monitoring the implementation of the resolutions
- b. Response to issues of concern, especially pertaining to the communities on the
- c. The committee should be a link between the communities and GOSS
- 10. The governments of the two states are to implement Resolution NO. 9 above within two weeks from the day of the conference, that is, 7.09.2008

(see entry in 'Other agreements' for referral to the national agreement processes referred to in this agreement which holds provisions as part of a broader territorial power-sharing commitment to groups in south sudan).

# **Economic power** sharing

No specific mention.

Military power sharing

No specific mention.

#### **Human rights and equality**

**Human rights/RoL** No specific mention.

general

**Bill of rights/similar** No specific mention.

**Treaty** 

No specific mention.

incorporation

Civil and political rights

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Liberty and security of person

Page 13, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

5. Any one from the four communities may choose to live wherever he or she chooses to

under that community chief where he or she decided to move.

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Freedom of movement

Page 13, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

5. Any one from the four communities may choose to live wherever he or she chooses to

under that community chief where he or she decided to move.

Socio-economic rights

Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Cultural life

Page 13, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

7. A. The administrators of the two states have a right to use their county or state flags along the common boarders in the disputed are. B. Either state authorities have a right to put up their infrastructures and sign posts in the disputed area, pending the resolution of

the conflict.

### **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

Page 13, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

7. A. The administrators of the two states have a right to use their county or state flags along the common boarders in the disputed are. B. Either state authorities have a right to put up their infrastructures and sign posts in the disputed area, pending the resolution of

the conflict.

# **Rights institutions**

NHRI No specific mention.

**Regional or** 

No specific mention.

international human rights institutions

#### **Justice sector reform**

**Criminal justice and** No specific mention.

emergency law

**State of emergency** No specific mention.

provisions

**Judiciary and** 

No specific mention.

courts

**Prisons and** 

No specific mention.

detention

**Traditional Laws** No specific mention.

## **Socio-economic reconstruction**

**Development or** 

No specific mention.

socio-economic reconstruction

National economic No specific mention.

plan

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

**Business** No specific mention.

**Taxation** No specific mention.

No specific mention. **Banks** 

## Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/ nomadism rights No specific mention.

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** 

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

No specific mention.

Drugs

No specific mention.

**Terrorism** 

## **Transitional justice**

**Transitional justice** No specific mention.

general

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** Agreement is not signed due to the nature of it being a peace conference but the Interim

resolutions note that:

Page 14, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

12. UN should share in the monitoring and implementation of these resolutions to the

dispute.

Other international No specific mention.

signatory

**Referendum for** 

agreement

No specific mention.

International

mission/force/

similar

# Enforcement mechanism

Page 13, INTERIM RESOLUTIONS TO THE DISPUTE:

- 9. While the issues of arbitration shall be referred to SSLA, the Ad Hoc Committee shall be responsible for the following duties:
- a. Monitoring the implementation of the resolutions
- b. Response to issues of concern, especially pertaining to the communities on the ground
- c. The committee should be a link between the communities and GOSS
- 10. The governments of the two states are to implement Resolution NO. 9 above within two weeks from the day of the conference, that is, 7.09.2008
- 11. Relevant Standing Committees of the two states Legislative Assemblies should oversee the implementation of the resolutions above.

**Related cases** 

No specific mention.

Source