

<b>Country/entity</b>	South Sudan
<b>Region</b>	Africa (excl MENA)
<b>Agreement name</b>	Resolutions of the Anyuak Murle Peace Conference (Otallo Agreement)
<b>Date</b>	17 May 2003
<b>Agreement status</b>	Multiparty signed/agreed
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/conflict level</b>	Intrastate/local conflict
<b>Stage</b>	Framework/substantive - partial
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Inter-group
<b>Peace process</b>	South Sudan: Pre-secession Local Peace Processes
<b>Parties</b>	<p>This peace agreement was signed by</p> <p>On the Murle side:</p> <p>Nganthou Kabula Chief of Lekwangole Ngatho Kavula Chief of Kongor Etcho Buloch Chief of Manyiranye Loziyo ADor Chief of Lekwangole Kikar Adhing Chief of Akello Nyikcho Ame Chief Wunkok Ngachalan Lotako Chief of Kavachok Boyoi Gogol Chief of Koyoi Stephen Alan Chief of Boma Maraka Lotinom Chief of Kelenya</p> <p>On the side of Anyuak delegation:</p> <p>Nyie Adongo Agada Akway King of Anyuak</p>

## Third parties

Witnesses

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Elder Philip Obang Ojway, Chairman Upper Nile Peace & Development Task Force

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A/Cdr. Simon Didingo, Peace Supervisor Pibor County

Mohammedan Nicho, Representative of the Commissioner of Pibor

Pastor David Gayen, Envoy of Governor Ismael Konyi

Dr. Peter Adwok Nyaba, Managing Director Larjour Consultancy. Facilitator

Mr. Jervasio Okot, Journalist Dryland Journal

Otallo, May 17th, 2003

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## LIST OF CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS ANYUAK PARTICIPANTS

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Nyie Akway Nyigwa Akway, King of Okadi

Nyie Ocludhu Odol Aballa, King of Budhi

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Mr. Palata Mamour

Mr. Obotha Nyang Deng

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**Description** In May 2003, a peace conference was held in Otallo, Sudan between the Anyuak and Murle communities, resulting in the Otallo Peace Agreement. The agreement aimed to improve security and stability in the region by ending the practice of abduction of children, ambush and murder of individuals, and cattle rustling and raiding between the communities. Joint security and surveillance committees were established to take action against violators of the agreement. Additionally, the agreement recognized the need for social and economic development in the region and called on the international community and Sudan Peace Fund to provide relief and support for initiatives such as drilling boreholes for water, constructing joint schools, and developing women's projects.

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## Groups

**Children/youth** Groups→Children/youth→Substantive  
Page 1 - 2, The conference adopted the following resolutions:

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1. Stop the practice of abduction of children that has gone on for a long time between the Anyuak and Murle.

a. Any person caught in the act of abduction of a child shall be apprehended by the authorities and prosecuted according to law;

b. If an abducted child dies, the culprit shall be apprehended, and shall be killed in the place of the child;

c. If the child is found alive, the child shall be retrieved and the culprit forced to pay a fine of three cows.

**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** No specific mention.

**Social class** No specific mention.

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## **Gender**

**Women, girls and gender** Page 3, B. SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES,  
There is need for immediate rescue of the situation through the following actions:  
...  
4. Initiation of women development projects through the development of natural resources e.g. shea nuts, etc. which abound in the area;

**Men and boys** No specific mention.

**LGBTI** No specific mention.

**Family** No specific mention.

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**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.

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## **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** No specific mention.

**Public administration** No specific mention.

**Constitution** No specific mention.

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## **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.

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## **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.

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**Rights related issues**

**Citizenship** No specific mention.

**Democracy** No specific mention.

**Detention procedures** No specific mention.

**Media and communication** Rights related issues→Media and communication→Media logistics  
Page 2, The conference adopted the following resolutions:

A. SECURITY AND STABILITY IN THE AREA

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4. Increase communication between the Commissioners of Pochalla, Boma and Pibor with the view of minimising insecurity and conflicts between the communities and to contribute to peace and stability in the sub-region.

a. The conference calls for the provision of 4 radio sets for Pochalla, Boma, Otallo and Pibor to be given to the security committee to make easy and quick communication and intervention in case of criminal act.

**Mobility/access** Page 2, The conference adopted the following resolutions:

A. SECURITY AND STABILITY IN THE AREA

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2. Stop the practice of ambush and murder of persons travelling or hunting in the area with the view of appropriating his rifle;

**Protection measures** No specific mention.

**Other** No specific mention.

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## **Rights institutions**

**NHRI** No specific mention.

**Regional or international human rights institutions** No specific mention.

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## **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** Page 1 - 2, The conference adopted the following resolutions:

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c. If the child is found alive, the child shall be retrieved and the culprit forced to pay a fine of three cows.

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5. In order to prevent eruption of violence between communities joint security and surveillance committees shall be established and empowered to take action against violators of this agreement;

a. Anybody who violates the security of the region through ambushes, cattle rustling and raids shall be apprehended by the respective community or government agencies [GoS, and SPLM/A] and taken to court.

**Traditional Laws** No specific mention.

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## **Socio-economic reconstruction**

**Development or socio-economic reconstruction** Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Humanitarian assistance  
Page 3, B. SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES,  
There is need for immediate rescue of the situation through the following actions:  
...  
1. Immediate intervention in the area to provide relief in form of food, medicines for humans and livestock;  
Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Infrastructure and reconstruction  
Page 3, B. SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES,  
There is need for immediate rescue of the situation through the following actions:  
...  
3. Construction of joint schools;

**National economic plan** No specific mention.

**Natural resources** Page 3, B. SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES,  
There is need for immediate rescue of the situation through the following actions:  
...  
4. Initiation of women development projects through the development of natural resources e.g. shea nuts, etc. which abound in the area;

**International funds** Page 3, B. SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES,  
There is need for immediate rescue of the situation through the following actions:  
...  
5. The conference calls on the Sudan Peace Fund to provide peace dividends to the Murle and Anyuak communities.

**Business** No specific mention.

**Taxation** No specific mention.

**Banks** No specific mention.

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## **Land, property and environment**

**Land reform/rights** No specific mention.

**Pastoralist/nomadism rights** 3. Stop cattle rustling and raiding between the two communities;  
a. A person caught stealing a cow, three cows shall be taken from him: two as punishment and the other as retrieval;  
b. Any chief sheltering a criminal shall be punished along side the criminal;  
c. The 31 missing heads of cattle to be paid back to the Anyuak owners and this responsibility rests with the Murle chiefs.

<b>Cultural heritage</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Environment</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Water or riparian rights or access</b>	Page 3, B. SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES, There is need for immediate rescue of the situation through the following actions: ... 2. Drilling of enough bore holes in the following areas: Okello, Thorjoich, Waraberi, Abich, for provision of potable water;

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**Security sector**

<b>Security Guarantees</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Ceasefire</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Police</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Armed forces</b>	No specific mention.
<b>DDR</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Intelligence services</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Withdrawal of foreign forces</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Corruption</b>	No specific mention.

<b>Crime/organised crime</b>	<p>Page 2, The conference adopted the following resolutions:</p> <p>A. SECURITY AND STABILITY IN THE AREA</p> <p>...</p> <p>2. Stop the practice of ambush and murder of persons travelling or hunting in the area with the view of appropriating his rifle;</p> <p>a. If a person ambushes and kills a person, he shall be killed in his place;</p> <p>3. Stop cattle rustling and raiding between the two communities;</p> <p>a. A person caught stealing a cow, three cows shall be taken from him: two as punishment and the other as retrieval;</p> <p>b. Any chief sheltering a criminal shall be punished along side the criminal;</p> <p>c. The 31 missing heads of cattle to be paid back to the Anyuak owners and this responsibility rests with the Murle chiefs.</p>
<b>Drugs</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Terrorism</b>	No specific mention.

**Transitional justice**

<b>Transitional justice general</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Amnesty/pardon</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Courts</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Mechanism</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Prisoner release</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Vetting</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Victims</b>	No specific mention.

- Missing persons** Page 1 - 2, The conference adopted the following resolutions:
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    - c. If the child is found alive, the child shall be retrieved and the culprit forced to pay a fine of three cows.
  2. Stop the practice of ambush and murder of persons travelling or hunting in the area with the view of appropriating his rifle;
    - a. If a person ambushes and kills a person, he shall be killed in his place;

**Reparations** No specific mention.

**Reconciliation** No specific mention.

**Implementation**

**UN signatory** No specific mention.

**Other international signatory** Page 1, Introduction, Pax Christi Netherlands

**Referendum for agreement** No specific mention.

**International mission/force/similar** No specific mention.

**Enforcement mechanism** No specific mention.

**Related cases** No specific mention.

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