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| Country/ entity | South Sudan Sudan |
| Region | Africa (excl MENA) Africa (excl MENA) |
| Agreement name | Cooperation Agreement between Sudan and South Sudan |
| Date | 27 Sep 2012 |
| Agreement status | Multiparty signed/agreed |
| Interim arrangement | Yes |
| Agreement/ conflict level | Interstate/intrastate conflict(s) (Sudan Conflicts (1955 -)) |
| Stage | Implementation/renegotiation |
| Conflict nature | Territory |
| Peace process | North - South Sudan secession process |
| Parties | H.E. Omar Hassan Al Bashir, President of the Republic of the Sudan, on behalf of the Government of the Republic of the Sudan; H.E. Salva Kiir Mayardit, President of the Republic of South Sudan, on behalf of: the Government of the Republic of South Sudan |
| Third parties | Witnessed by: H.E. Thabo Mvuyelwa Mbeki, Chairperson, African Union High Level Implementation Panel, on behalf of the AUHIP; H.E. Haile Mariam Dessalegne, Prime Minister of Ethiopia, on behalf of the Intergovernmental Authority for Development. |
| Description | An agreement that establishes the principles of cooperation between the two states, specifically the African Union Constitutive Act and the UN Charter concerning relations and cooperation, and reaffirms the Parties' commitment to the prior agreements on security arrangements. The Parties further commit to ratify, implement, and monitor all agreements relating to the CPA and post-secession matters. Furthermore, it is also agreed to complete negotiations on the final status of the Abyei Area. |

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Groups

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| 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 persons | No specific mention. |
| Social class | No specific mention. |

Gender

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| Women, girls and gender | No specific mention. |
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Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state (general) Page 4, 2. Peaceful Relations
(1) The Parties affirm their commitment to respect the principles of the African Union Constitutive Act and the United Nations Charter concerning relations and cooperation between states and shall respect each other's sovereignty and territorial integrity.

State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

Independence/secession Page 2, Preamble
Hailing the successful conclusion of the negotiations between the two States on several critical issues, relating to outstanding Comprehensive Peace Agreement (2005) commitments and post-secession arrangements, which have yielded several Agreements;

Accession/unification No specific mention.

Border delimitation Page 5, 3. Agreements Completed
(1) The Parties further commit themselves to implement the following Agreements:
(iii) The Agreement on Border Issues (including Demarcation);

Page 6, 4. Outstanding Negotiations and CPA Commitments

(1) The Parties shall strive to complete, expeditiously, the negotiation of the outstanding Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) issue of the disputed and claimed border areas.

(2) The AUHIP will continue to engage the issue of the final status of the Abyei Area through discussion with the AU Peace and Security Council, as well as the Parties.

Cross-
border
provision

Page 2, Preamble

Reaffirming the shared commitment of the Government of the Republic of the Sudan and the Government of the Republic of South Sudan to the overriding imperative and principle of building two viable states, in which the peace, welfare and prosperity of their peoples will be secured;
Recognising that the people of South Sudan and Sudan share a long and rich common heritage and are bound by the immutable facts of geography to remain interdependent neighbours;
Mindful of the urgent need to bring peace, security and stability to the people of Sudan and South Sudan who have endured conflict for decades; [...] Confident that these agreements are important milestones in the normalisation of relations between the two States, which lay the foundation for attaining their common vision of building two viable, peaceful, friendly and stable States;

Page 3, Principles of Cooperation

1. Establishing Two viable States

(1) Recognising their historical and abiding connections, the Parties recommit themselves to the overriding principle of establishing Sudan and South Sudan as two viable states, stable, secure and at peace with each other and their neighbours.

(2) The Parties shall cooperate across the range of areas of common interest, in order to build two viable states. They shall adopt the necessary policies and arrangements to strengthen their cooperation.

Page 5, 3. Agreements Completed

(1) The Parties further commit themselves to implement the following Agreements:

(ii) The Framework Agreement on the Status of Nationals of the Other State;

(iv) The Agreement on a Framework for Cooperation on Central Banking Issues;

(v) The Agreement on Trade and Trade-Related Issues;

Page 6, 5. Cooperation Mechanisms

(1) The Parties shall establish and sustain viable mechanisms and frameworks for cooperation and for managing their bilateral relations, including through regular Summit Meetings of their Heads of State, as well as through cooperation at Ministerial and Technical levels.

(2) The Parties shall establish viable mechanisms for settling any dispute or difference that might arise between them and shall prevent any dispute from undermining their peaceful relations.

Governance

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| 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 | Page 5, 3. Agreements Completed (1) The Parties further commit themselves to implement the following Agreements: (vii) The Framework Agreement to Facilitate Payment of Post-Service Benefits (including Pensions); |
| Constitution | No specific mention. |

Power sharing

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| Political power sharing | No specific mention. |
| Territorial power sharing | No specific mention. |

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| Economic power sharing | Power sharing→Economic power sharing→Fiscal federalism Page 5, 3. Agreements Completed (1) The Parties further commit themselves to implement the following Agreements: (i) The Agreement concerning Oil and related Economic Matters; (iv) The Agreement on a Framework for Cooperation on Central Banking Issues; (v) The Agreement on Trade and Trade-Related Issues; (vi) The Agreement on Certain Economic Matters: Division of Assets and Liabilities, Arrears and Claims and Joint Approach to the International Community; (vii) The Framework Agreement to Facilitate Payment of Post-Service Benefits (including Pensions); and, |
| Military power sharing | No specific mention. |

Human rights and equality

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| Human rights/RoL general | No specific mention. |
| Bill of rights/similar | No specific mention. |
| Treaty incorporation | Page 4, 2. Peaceful Relations (1) The Parties affirm their commitment to respect the principles of the African Union Constitutive Act and the United Nations Charter concerning relations and cooperation between states and shall respect each other's sovereignty and territorial integrity. |
| 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 No specific mention.

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→Socio-economic development
Page 5, 3. Agreements Completed
(1) The Parties further commit themselves to implement the following Agreements:
(vii) The Framework Agreement to Facilitate Payment of Post-Service Benefits (including Pensions); and,

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources Page 5, 3. Agreements Completed
(1) The Parties further commit themselves to implement the following Agreements:
(i) The Agreement concerning Oil and related Economic Matters; [...]
(vi) The Agreement on Certain Economic Matters: Division of Assets and Liabilities, Arrears and Claims and Joint Approach to the International Community;

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

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| Banks | <p>Socio-economic reconstruction→Banks→Central bank Page 5, 3. Agreements Completed (1) The Parties further commit themselves to implement the following Agreements: (iv) The Agreement on a Framework for Cooperation on Central Banking Issues;</p> <p>Socio-economic reconstruction→Banks→International finance Page 5, 3. Agreements Completed (1) The Parties further commit themselves to implement the following Agreements: (vi) The Agreement on Certain Economic Matters: Division of Assets and Liabilities, Arrears and Claims and Joint Approach to the International Community;</p> |
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Land, property and environment

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| Land reform/ rights | No specific mention. |
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| Pastoralist/ nomadism rights | No specific mention. |
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| Cultural heritage | No specific mention. |
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| Environment | No specific mention. |
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| Water or riparian rights or access | No specific mention. |
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Security sector

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| Security Guarantees | <p>Page 4, 2. Peaceful Relations</p> <p>(2) The Parties have entered into several agreements and arrangements relating to their common security. The Parties shall ensure the full implementation of these agreements, which include:</p> <p>(i) Joint Position Paper on Security Arrangements (7 December 2010);</p> <p>(ii) Joint Position Paper on Border Security (30 May 2011);</p> <p>(iii) Kadugli Agreement on the Border Monitoring Support Mission (8 August 2011);</p> <p>(iv) Temporary Arrangements for the Administration and Security of the Abyei Area (20 June 2011);</p> <p>(v) Border Security and the Joint Political Security Mechanism (29 June 2011);</p> <p>(vi) Agreement on the Border Monitoring Support Mission (30 July 2011);</p> <p>(vii) Memorandum of Understanding on Non-aggression and Cooperation (10 February 2012);</p> <p>(viii) Establishment of the Ad Hoc Committee (23 June 2012); and,</p> <p>(ix) Agreement on Security Arrangements (26 September 2012).</p> |
| 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 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 Witnessed by: H.E. Thabo Mvuyelwa Mbeki, Chairperson, African Union High Level Implementation Panel, on behalf of the AUHIP; H.E. Haile Mariam Dessalegne, Prime Minister of Ethiopia, on behalf of the Intergovernmental Authority for Development.

Referendum
for
agreement No specific mention.

International
mission/
force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement
mechanism Page 3, The Parties hereby commit themselves faithfully to implement jointly and in a coordinated manner all the Agreements referred to in this Cooperation Agreement, consistent with the following: [...]

Page 6, 4. Outstanding Negotiations and CPA Commitments
(3) The Parties shall expedite the development of modalities for implementing and monitoring all the agreements relating to the CPA and post-secession matters.

Related
cases No specific mention.

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