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Country/ entity	South Sudan Sudan
Region	Africa (excl MENA) Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Framework Agreement on the Status of Nationals of the Other State and Related Matters between the Republic of the Sudan and the Republic of South Sudan
Date	13 Mar 2012
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Interstate/intrastate conflict(s) ( Sudan Conflicts (1955 - ) )
Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Territory
Peace process	North - South Sudan secession process
Parties	H.E. Idriss Abdel Gadir, on behalf of the Republic of the Sudan; H.E. Pagan Amum Okiech, on behalf of the Republic of South Sudan
Third parties	Witnessed by: H.E. Pierre Buyoya, on behalf of the African Union High Level Implementation Panel
Description	An agreement that provides measures relating to the status and treatment of nationals of each State in the territory of the other State, including the freedoms that pertain to these individuals, a Joint High Level Committee to adopt and implement these measures, the transitional period, and the role of the AUHIP. The Parties also provide that the agreement can be amended or, with a sixty day notice to the other State, terminated.

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## 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 persons	No specific mention.
Social class	No specific mention.

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## Gender

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.

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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

Page 1, Untitled Preamble

Affirming that the people of Sudan and South Sudan desire to co-exist peacefully and to build harmonious relations and good neighbourliness among themselves;

Convinced that for the social and economic viability of the two States it is necessary that Sudanese and South Sudanese people continue to interact with each other and enjoy the freedom to reside, move, acquire and dispose of property, and undertake economic activities within the territories of the two States;

Affirming the necessity for establishing arrangements for cooperation and for the implementation of relevant policies and commitments;

Agree as follows:

[Agreement in its entirety is cross-border in nature, providing measures relating to the status and treatment of nationals of each State in the territory of the other State. See Political Institutions, and Human Rights]

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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 Page 3, Part II - Freedoms of Nationals of the Other State  
4. The Freedoms  
4.2. A person who has already exercised any of the freedoms conferred by this Agreement shall not be deprived of that freedom by reason of the amendment or termination of this Agreement.

Page 3, Part II - Freedoms of Nationals of the Other State  
4. The Freedoms  
4.3. The two States shall negotiate an agreement to elaborate the above [see below] freedoms. The AUHIP shall produce a draft text for consideration by the Committee.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Freedom of movement  
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4. The Freedoms

4.1. In accordance with the laws and regulations of each State, nationals of each State shall enjoy in the other State the following freedoms:

(a) Freedom of residence;

(d) Freedom to acquire and dispose of property.

Socio-economic rights

Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Property

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Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Work

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(c) Freedom to undertake economic activity;

## Rights related issues

Citizenship	<p>Rights related issues→Citizenship→Citizen, general</p> <p>Page 1, Part I - Cooperation on Treatment of Nationals</p> <p>1. Joint High Level Committee</p> <p>1.1. The two States shall establish a standing Joint High-Level Committee ("the Committee"), which shall oversee the adoption and implementation of joint measures relating to the status and treatment of the nationals of each State in the territory of the other state.</p> <p>Page 2, Part I - Cooperation on Treatment of Nationals</p> <p>1. Joint High Level Committee</p> <p>1.4. The Committee shall be responsible for all matters relating to the status and treatment of the nationals of each State in the other State.</p> <p>Page 2, Part I - Cooperation on Treatment of Nationals</p> <p>2. Transitional Period</p> <p>2.1. The Parties shall accelerate their cooperation to provide the nationals of each State with the appropriate identification and other relevant documents relating to their status, such as work and residence permits.</p> <p>Page 2, Part I - Cooperation on Treatment of Nationals</p> <p>2. Transitional Period</p> <p>2.2. The two States may jointly, through the African Union High Level Implementation Panel (AUHIP), appeal to the international community for technical support that may be required for the above exercise.</p> <p>Page 3, Part II - Freedoms of Nationals of the Other State</p> <p>4. The Freedoms</p> <p>4.1. In accordance with the laws and regulations of each State, nationals of each State shall enjoy in the other State the following freedoms:</p> <p>(a) Freedom of residence;</p> <p>(b) Freedom of movement;</p> <p>(c) Freedom to undertake economic activity;</p> <p>(d) Freedom to acquire and dispose of property.</p> <p>Page 3, Part II - Freedoms of Nationals of the Other State</p> <p>4. The Freedoms</p> <p>4.3. The two States shall negotiate an agreement to elaborate the above [see below] freedoms. The AUHIP shall produce a draft text for consideration by the Committee.</p>
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.

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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      No specific mention.



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→Socio-economic development  
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(c) Freedom to undertake economic activity;

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

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 No specific mention.

Cultural  
heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or  
riparian  
rights or  
access No specific mention.

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## 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

No specific mention.

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## **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.

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## Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory Witnessed by: H.E. Pierre Buyoya, on behalf of the African Union High Level Implementation Panel

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism Page 2, Part I - Cooperation on Treatment of Nationals  
3. Role of AUHIP  
3.2. The Panel shall work with the two State to facilitate the implementation of this Agreement.

Related cases No specific mention.

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