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Country/ entity	South Sudan
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Statement of participants from Nyal meeting on Wunlit 1999 peace conference after 22 years (Nyal Agreement)
Date	14 May 2021
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict (Sudan Conflicts (1955 -))
Stage	Implementation/renegotiation
Conflict nature	Inter-group
Peace process	South Sudan: Post-secession Local agreements
Parties	The agreement lists the following signatories: Peter Nyuong Danhiar (Paramount Chief, Payinjiar County) Gum Mading Akuecbany (Paramount Chief, Wunlit County) Sawat Malual Arop (Paramount Chief, Aduol Kong County) Jacob Madhel Lang (Paramount Chief, Aweng Payam, Twic County and Chairperson COTAL Warrap State) Andrew Madot Buoi (Paramount Chief, Yirol East County, Nyang Payam) Joseph Kong Yoach (Paramount Chief, Guit County) Elizabeth David Dabuol Ngot (Women League Chairperson, Koch County) Isaac Magok Gatluak (Paramount Chief, Mayendit County) Stephen Kuong Mabil (Paramount Chief, Leer County)
Third parties	Rift Valley Institute, Assistance Mission for Africa and Swiss Government.

Description A short agreement calling for further implementation of inter-communal reconciliation efforts involving county chiefs, women, youth and religious leaders through continued community dialogues in line with the aims of the Wunlit agreement of 1999. Substantively this agreement follows up on its partner agreement in Nyal and makes provision for return of IDPS, development and humanitarian supports to address flooding and calls for the enforcement by the office of the regional commissioner to address key issues for community peace. The provisions address community violence and hate speech acts and the prevalence of weapons within communities, calling for an overall solution to ongoing inter-communal violence in border areas between the states.

Agreement document [SS_210514_Nyal meeting signed statement.pdf](#) | [Download PDF](#)

Local agreement properties

Process type Formal structured process

Rationale The process is an inter-communal series of dialogues between county chiefs experienced in local negotiations and a revival of the community based Wunlit talks. The talks were structured through a series of discussions as part of a wider programme, beginning with Dinka chiefs visiting Nyal and being followed up with a reciprocal visit by Nuer chiefs to Yirol for a second set of meetings. It is supported by Rift Valley Institute and Assistance Mission for Africa.

Is there a documented link to a national peace process? No

Link to national process: articulated rationale Agreement explicitly references and reaffirms the community led Wunlit Peace Conference and aspires to return to parts of that seminal local process which was in part supported by senior southern political figures but does not have a direct link to national process or central government related process.

Name of Locale Unity State, Lakes State and Warrap State

Nature Of Locale Region

GPS Lat/Long (DD) 7.827199, 29.701490

Participant type	Domestic religious organisation/leader or other elder Local community/civilian group(s)/civil society organisations
Mediator, facilitator or similar	Mediator or similar referred to
Mediator (references)	Page 1, The agreement describes the gathering of representatives as being: 'brought together by the Rift Valley Institute and the Assistance Mission for Africa with support from the Swiss government.'
Type of mediator/facilitator/similar	International or transnational actor

Local issues

Ritual/prayer and process (including use of scripture)	No specific mention.
Grievance List	<p>Page 1, We recognise with concern:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The absence of key chiefs missing from our meeting including those from Mayom and Gogrial due to the focus of the meeting on bringing together participants from the original Wunlit meeting; - The recent killings in cattle camps and at the border areas between our communities; - The prevalence of guns in the hands of our young people; - The high rates of illiteracy, disease and hunger in our communities ; - The lack of road infrastructure and telecommunications network in the Wunlit Triangle, particularly in Payinjar. <p>Page 2, We appeal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To all communities to stop and refuse revenge killings.
Cattle rustling/ banditry	<p>Page 1, We recognise with concern:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The recent killings in cattle camps and at the border areas between our communities; <p>Page 1, We appeal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To youth in the cattle camps to maintain peace as we continue to work to rekindle the spirit of Wunlit;
Social cover	No specific mention.
