



SUDAN PEOPLES' LIBERATION MOVEMENT
GENERAL HEADQUARTERS



SPLM/SPLA POSITION
ON
JOINT PRESIDENTIAL GUARDS

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The Joint Presidential Guards:

1.1. There shall be formed Joint Presidential Guards (hereinafter referred to as JPG) during the pre-transitional and the transitional period from SPLM/SPLA and GRSS to replace the Tiger Division.

1.2. Formation, training, tasking and deployment of JPG formations and sub-formations shall be completed not later than D-day + 1 month.

1.3. At the inception, JPG shall remain in their joint form. However, the process of full integration shall be completed by D day + 7 months.

1.4. JPG as per Agreement on Security Arrangements shall fall under the command of the Joint Command Board (JCB). Nevertheless, the two Principals shall appoint the commander and deputy commander for the JPG as the highest level who shall, by virtue of their positions, be members of JCB. They shall oversee routine command matters of JPG in accordance to authority conferred by JCB.

1.5. JPG command shall be exercised on parity basis between SPLM/SPLA and GRSS officers with alternation of roles at the uppermost and other levels of command.

1.6. JPG personnel shall be treated equally. There shall be uniformity in welfare, salaries, emoluments, pension rights, supplies, armament, and equipment.

1.7 Training of the Joint Presidential Guards:

1.7.1. Both Forces (SPLM/SPLA and GRSS) shall complete selection and organization of officers, Non-Commissioned Officers (NCOs) and men for JPG within D Day +1 month from the beginning of the pre-transitional period.

1.7.2. JPG components from both Parties shall be formed within D Day +1 month from the pre-transitional period and co-locate in their various training centers to be trained for not less than six (6) months (in phases) after which they shall be integrated.

1.7.3. There shall be developed a joint doctrine, code of conduct, as well as disciplinary laws, regulations, and standing operating procedures to govern JPG general training policies, programs, disciplinary scopes and behavioral patterns during the Peace Talks and be signed as part of security arrangement agreement.

1.7.4. In view of special status of the Federal Capital Ramchiel, JPG Command shall allot tasks to JPG contingents that shall be deployed to the capital by the end of the pre-transitional period after completion of initial joint training session that shall not exceed one (1) month. Nonetheless, JPG command shall organize further training sessions for these contingents in accordance to JPG training policy and programs.

1.10.5. The parties shall appeal to the international community to render additional technical, material and financial support to assist in forming and training JPG.

1.11. JPG Command and Control:

JPG Headquarters is under command of JCB and shall be located in Ramchiel. The JPG command shall perform among other things, the following duties and responsibilities:

- 1.11.1. Command of JPG formations and units;
 - 1.11.2. Promotion of mutual cooperation between JPG, SPLM/SPLA and GRSS at all command levels;
 - 1.11.3. Coordination of supply and replenishments plans with JCB;
 - 1.11.4. Implementation of JCB plans, policies, programs and directives pertaining to JPG;
 - 1.11.5. Appointment and transfer of JPG officers within the discretion of JPG command;
 - 1.11.6. Create and promote confidence building measures;
 - 1.11.7. Development and execution of training programs for JPG;
 - 1.11.8. Coordination with CPC;
 - 1.11.9. Resolution of disputes that may arise within JPG jurisdiction.
- 1.12. JPG Commanders shall exercise the following authority/responsibility:
- 1.12.1. Command and control of JPG in their respective areas of command;
 - 1.12.2. Implementation of and compliance with the directives of the JPG Higher Headquarters;
 - 1.12.3. Implement confidence building policies of the higher headquarters as well as create and promote confidence building measures within their power as shall be desirable;
 - 1.12.4. Development and execution of training programs within their command jurisdiction;
 - 1.12.5. Performance of any other duties that may be conferred upon them by the higher headquarters.

1.13. JPG Composition and organization:

1.13.1 Composition:

1.13.1.1. JPG shall be formed from SPLM/SPLA and GRSS forces;

1.13.2 Organization:

1.13.2.1. JPG shall be a Division (see organizational structure attached as annexure 3) deployed in the Federal Capital. Thus, there shall be formed four (4) JPG brigades and one independent battalion as follows:

1.13.2.1.1 1st Infantry Brigade which shall have a total strength of 3411 officers, NCOs and men.

1.13.2.1.2 2nd Infantry Brigade which shall have a total strength of 3411 officers, NCOs and men.

1.13.2.1.3 3rd Infantry Brigade which shall have a total strength of 3411 officers, NCOs and men,

1.13.2.1.4 4th Infantry Brigade which shall have a total strength of 3411 officers, NCOs and men.

1.13.2.1. 5 Independent Battalion which shall have a total strength of 851 officers, NCOs and men.

1.13.2.3. Infantry brigades, of not more than 3000 troops each, to compose of:

1.13.2.3.1 Brigade Command;

1.13.2.3.2 Brigade HQ Company;

1.13.2.3.3 Four infantry Battalions;

1.13.2.3.4 Armored, artillery, engineering, transport, signal and medical corps.

1.13.2.4. The infantry battalion shall compose of:

1.13.2.4.1 Battalion Command;

1.13.2.4.2 Battalion HQ Company;

1.13.2.4.3 Four infantry companies;

1.13.2.4.4 Support Company.

1.13.2.5. JPG battalion shall be formed of two SPLM/SPLA companies and two GRSS companies, whereas the HQs Company and the support company shall be mixed. The size of the forces in each locality shall not exceed one infantry battalion.

1.14.1 Oil installations shall be demilitarized. In case of any threat to the oil installations, the Parties agree that JCB shall protect the oil fields.

2. Funding of the Armed Forces:

2.1. During the Transitional Period, SPLM/SPLA, GRSS and JPG forces shall be funded by the Federal Government. To meet this obligation, the TFGONU shall raise additional financial resources from International Partners (IGAD, Troika, AU, UN and China).

3. Policing Issues and Domestic Security

3.1. In order to facilitate the removal and withdrawal of the military and paramilitary forces from areas where they were previously located and in order to return societal order and harmony, in accordance with the law, in compliance with national and international acceptable standards and with accountability to the Courts and civil Administration, the police at the appropriate level during the ceasefire shall:

3.1.1. Maintain law and public order;

3.1.2. Ensure safety and security of all people and their property;

3.1.3. Prevent and detect crimes.

3.1.4. Assist returnees and the displaced to start a normal, stable and safe life in their respective communities;

3.1.5. Provide national service (such as nationality, civil registry, identity documents (IDs), passports etc.) and other police services and make them available to all citizens in their locations;

3.1.6. Protect VIPs in collaboration with other security agencies;

3.1.7. Preserve natural resources;

3.1.8. Combat illicit trafficking in narcotics, drugs and illegal trade in firearms and other organized and trans-boundary crimes in the area;

3.1.9. Control illegal presence and movement of aliens in the area;

3.1.10. Collect data and information on criminal matters that threaten implementation of the peace agreement in the area.

3.1.11. Re-deployment of military and para-military forces outside villages, communities and city streets;

3.1.12. Help combat corruption at all levels of government and civil society; and

3.2. In order to strengthen the effective implementation of this Agreement, the Federal Police may assist, as required, other police at all levels to establish and promote police service at that level;

3.3. The police shall cooperate and participate in the entire process of ceasefire implementation;

3.4. The Parties agree that the police shall assume their normal functions and duties particularly in the areas where military and para-military forces had previously assumed their functions;

3.5. The Parties call upon the international partners to assist in the areas of training, establishment and capacity building of police and other law enforcement agencies for the sustenance of peace and rule of law;

3.6. The Parties recognize the need for cooperation and coordination mechanism between the Federal Police and other law enforcement agencies at all levels with regards to the implementation of this Agreement.