



**SUDAN PEOPLES' LIBERATION MOVEMENT**  
**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS**



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**COMMUNIQUE**

Under the theme “Search for sustainable peace and good governance in South Sudan”, the SPLM/SPLA Conference attended by over five thousand delegates from the ten state of South Sudan, from the neighbouring countries of Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Sudan and from the Diaspora [USA, Canada, Australia, Britain and Europe] and army commanders convened in Pagak, Maiwut County, Upper Nile State, the Republic of South Sudan between 6<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> December 2014, to consult and evaluate the IGAD Mediate Peace Process on the South Sudan conflict.

*Aware* of the destructive nature of South Sudan civil war;

*Concerned* that the war has had devastating impact on the lives of the people of South Sudan in particular the three affected states of Jonglei, Unity and Upper Nile

*Appreciative* of the concern demonstrated by the IGAD Region and the support of the International Community,

*Urge* IGAD to remain impartial and neutral in mediating the peace process.

*Aware* that the crisis can only be resolved peacefully,

The SPLM/SPLA Conference resolved *inter alia* the following:

1. Reaffirms total and undivided loyalty to the leadership of Dr. Riek Machar Teny-Dhurgon and the SPLM/SPLA;
2. The SPLM/SPLA shall do all in its power to uphold and protect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of South Sudan. Therefore, the SPLM/SPLA Conference rejects any attempts to impose partial resolution that could be basis for future conflict in the country.



### 3. The IGAD Peace Process

- a. The SPLM/SPLA recommits itself to the peaceful resolution of the South Sudan **civil war** through the IGAD Mediation Process that addresses the root causes of the conflict, reforms the governance system and creates conditions for sustainable peace, restores the social capital and to stimulate socio-economic development in South Sudan.
  - b. The SPLM/SPLA Conference stands for federal system of governance which restores power to the people.
  - c. The SPLM/SPLA welcomes the establishment of the Transitional Federal Government of National Unity (TFGONU) made up of
    - i. The President, Head of State
    - ii. The Prime Minister, Head of Government
    - iii. The Council of Ministers
4. The SPLM/SPLA Conference condemns in no uncertain terms the Government of the Republic of South Sudan repeated violations of the Cessation of Hostilities over the last three weeks. We call on the IGAD Region, Troika, UN and the International Community to restrain the Government of Salva Kiir and to stop further bloodshed in the country.
5. The TFGONU shall undertake critical reforms affecting all government institutions during the transitional period at the National and state levels.