

Acceptance Speech for Nomination Bid for Gubernatorial

Professor Ajang Bior Duot (Ajangatoot), Chairperson for Twic East Ad-hoc Electoral Committee;
Chairman of Twic East Executive Committee in Juba, Dr. Dau Aleer Abit;
Executive Members of Twic East Community;
Elders and Youth of Twic East Community;
Women and Children of Twic East Community;
Distinguished Twic East Delegates who overwhelming voted for me;
Twic East Citizens in Juba, home and Diaspora;
Members of the Press;
Ladies and Gentlemen;

I am profoundly honored and grateful for your endorsement for Jonglei State Gubernatorial post. This is an historic achievement that will go down in our history. As you know my people, the contest race has not been quite easy. From the Boma level to Payam to County Level, it has all been tough campaigns. But with your nomination, you have spoken and millions of thanks for this gesture!

I would like also to thank my fellow contestants; from payam level to the county: Hon. Deng Dau Deng, Machar Akec Machar, Dut Kezekiah Barach, Ateng Amos Agok, Dut Achuek Deng and Dr. Dau Aleer for showcasing the spirit of comradeship, resilience and humility. They are great sons of Twic East and they have done enormous achievements in our community. I am proud of you comrades! And I will continue to work closely with you in building our State and our beloved Country.

The next stage in this nomination process is to present our names to Greater Bor Community (GBC) for endorsement. I am confident that Greater Bor Community will applause me and consequently submits my name to our beloved President, General Salva Kiir Mayardit for appointment. Once H.E. President appoints, I will roll out my programme for Jonglei State on five thematic areas: Security, Development, Service Delivery, Healing, Peace and Reconciliation.

My fellow citizens, I would like to appreciate each of you for your decision, I will never let you down and will work in the spirit of SPLM, our party and with our President General Salva Kiir Mayardit. In a special way, I would wish to thank our community members in Twic East at home, in Bor Town and in Diaspora for overwhelming support for this nomination. Your usage of social media has been quite reassuring and it is the best tool for our engagements. Finally, I would like to thank my distinguished campaign team and key political strategists for making this process a success. You will remain in my hearts as true friends and partners in building our Jonglei State.

Ladies and Gentlemen, this victory is yours and I must congratulate you all for it. Mabruk el-lekum! Thank you very much, I accept your nomination. God bless you!


Col. Philip Aguer Panyang

Twic East Winner of Jonglei State Gubernatorial Nomination, Juba, South Sudan, 20th October 2015