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Resolution

Meeting of the Parties to the R-ARCSSS 2018 on the Status of Implementation of the Pre-Transitional Tasks and the Formation of the RTGoNU

The representatives of the Parties to the R-ARCSS 2018 met in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from May 2-3 2019, to take stock of the status of the implementation of the key Pre-Transitional tasks of the R-ARCSS, identify progress made, challenges encountered and deliberate on practical steps that can be taken to address identified challenges, in order to ensure a timely formation of the RTGoNU and effective implementation of the Agreement;

The meeting was convened by the IGAD Special Envoy for South Sudan H.E Dr. Ismail Wais, and chaired by H.E Hirut Zemene, State Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia. In attendance were IGAD Council of Ministers representatives from Uganda, Kenya, Somalia, Sudan, and Djibouti;

The meeting was addressed by the UNMISS SRSG Mr. David Shearer, Interim Chairperson of the RJMEC, Amb. Lt. Gen. Augustino S.K. Njoroge, Chairperson of CTSAMVM, Maj. General Desta Abiche, and Secretary to the NPTC Hon. Dr. Martin Elia Lomuro;

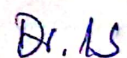
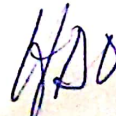
Following deliberations on the status of the implementation of the Pre-Transitional tasks, the major challenges that impeded effective implementation of the R-ARCSS to date, and the positions of the different Parties on the timely formation of the RTGoNU or extension of the Pre-Transitional Period and the way forward, the Parties resolved as follows:

1. **Welcomed** the decision of the IGAD as guarantor to convene this meeting of the Parties to take stock of the implementation of the Pre-Transitional tasks of the R-ARCSS and to agree on the best course of action;
2. **Appreciated** the delegation from the South Sudan Council of Churches and the representative of the Archbishop of Canterbury for their powerful

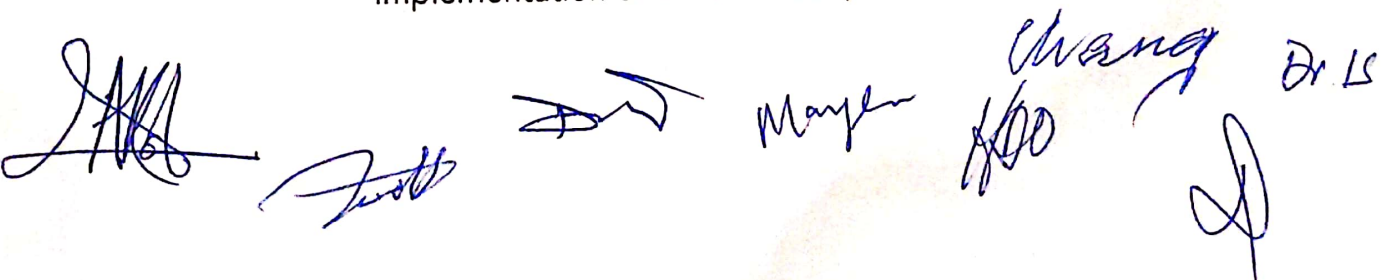
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intercession at the opening prayer and their messages of hope and encouragement to the Parties to pursue the path of peace, justice and reconciliation;

3. **Took note** of the implementation status reports presented by the Interim Chairperson of RJMEC, Chairperson of CTSAMVM, Secretary to the NPTC and the briefing by UNMISS SRSG;
4. **Convinced** that the pending tasks and those yet to be completed are the most critical and consequential for the smooth formation of the RTGoNU and for effective implementation of the Peace Agreement going forward;
5. **Mindful** of the importance of the transitional security arrangements, including cantonment/barracking of all forces, joint training and unification of forces for the full implementation of the Agreement;
6. **Recalling** the commitment of all the Parties at the HLRF, to avoid a repeat of the ARCSS 2015 scenario of more than one Commander-in-Chief being in the Country, and the need for the unification and deployment of necessary forces prior to the formation of the RTGoNU;
7. **Committed** to the full implementation of the R-ARCSS in letter and spirit and in this regard, acknowledging that the unification of necessary forces is the most critical determining factor for the formation of the RTGoNU, which was expected to have be completed within the eight months;
8. **Cognizant** of the slow start in the implementation of the R-ARCSS following its signing on September 12th, 2018, the various challenges encountered including financial constraints, slow dissemination, trust deficit, capacity gaps within the various security mechanisms, coordination gaps as well as inadequate support by partners;
9. **Encouraged** by the progress made so far, including establishment and reconstitution of critical agreement institutions and mechanisms, amendment of the TCRSS 2011 to incorporate provisions of the R-ARCSS, review of relevant security laws, adherence to the permanent ceasefire and the ongoing dissemination and confidence building;

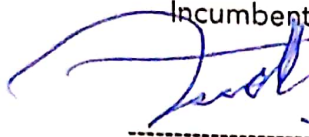


10. **Determined** to consolidate the gains already made in the peace process and willing to take all necessary steps to expedite the implementation of the ongoing and pending tasks;
11. **Regrets** that, in the circumstances above, the Parties are unable to form the RTGoNU at the end of the stipulated 8 months Pre-Transitional Period ending on 11th May 2019;
12. **Decides** that the Pre-Transitional Period be extended for six (6) months from the 12th of May 2019 and **recommends** to IGAD accordingly to allow the full implementation of critical pending tasks;
13. **Recommends** that the IGAD Office of the Special Envoy for South Sudan and RJMEC urgently convene a workshop for all the security mechanisms to develop a clear roadmap and implementation schedules for the pending tasks and pending tasks and commits to abide by the roadmap;
14. **Acknowledge and appreciate** the initial ten million dollars (US \$ 10m) provided by the Incumbent TGoNU to NPTC fund and **welcome** the pledge to make available an additional one hundred million dollars (US \$ 100m) to expedite the implementation of the pending tasks;
15. **Appeals** to the partners and the international community to support the implementation of the R-ARCSS, including by mobilizing the requisite resources;
16. **Further regretted** that the Parties have collectively failed in their obligation to implement the agreed Pre-Transitional tasks. In this regard, it urged the NPTC to continue engaging with the Government, the regional and international partners to avail the necessary resources to enable it deliver on its mandate;
17. **Further recommends** that the following steps be taken to expedite the full implementation of the Peace Agreement:
 - a) Priority should be given to completing the cantonment and unification of forces to establish an effective security arrangement for the full implementation of the R-ARCSS;

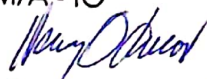


A. For the Parties to R-ARCSS


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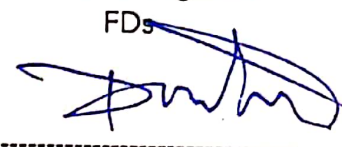
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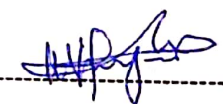
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