

**Republic of South Sudan (RSS)**  
*Ministry of Cabinet Affairs*

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**REVITALIZED TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY  
RESOLUTIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS**

**Resolution No. 39/2021**

**Subject: Endorsement of the Report of the Vice President of the Republic in and Chair of the Economic Cluster on His Official Visit to the Arab Republic of Egypt.**

After listening to the verbal briefing made by the Vice President of the Republic and chair of the Economic Cluster,

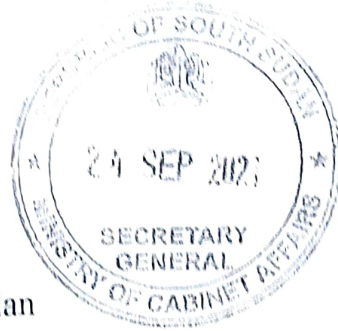
The Council of Ministers in its Regular Meeting No. 10/2021 held on Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021, resolves to endorse the report of the Vice President of the Republic and Chair of the Economic Cluster on his official visit to Cairo, the Arab Republic of Egypt, during which his delegation signed a number of memoranda of understanding (MoUs) with the Egyptian counterparts covering the areas of health, trade, agriculture, higher education, justice, public service and transport. The Council, further, registers its appreciation of the continued Egyptian support to education in South Sudan through its long-running scholarships programme, particularly its recent decision to fully fund scholarships offered to students nominated by the Government of South Sudan and to reduce the tuition fees for South Sudanese students on private scholarships by up to 90%.

The Ministries of Cabinet Affairs, Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Health, Agriculture and Forestry, Higher Education, Science and Technology, Justice and Constitutional Affairs, Public Service and Human Resource

Management and Transport shall take necessary measures to implement this resolution.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY REPORT OF THE HIGH-LEVEL JOINT  
COMMISSION (HLJC) BETWEEN EGYPT AND  
SOUTH SUDAN TO  
THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (RSS), JUBA**

**26<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> /7/2021**

The High-Level Joint Commission (HLJC) To Cairo, Egypt, led by the Vice President Prof. Wani Igga and composed of five Ministers, some undersecretaries, some DGs and Directors left Juba on 26/7/2021 and meetings started in the evening of the same day.

The Principal Objectives of the High-level Joint Commission (HLJC) are:

1. The two countries' interests in bolstering a comprehensive economic and developmental partnership, reinforced by stronger cooperation amongst themselves,
2. Resuscitate the spirit and enthusiasm within the Politico-socio-economic sphere for more and better bilateral relations and unshakeable solidarity between the two sisterly countries,
3. Revisit former (2014) agreements, finalized and signed,
4. Explore new potential areas of cooperation,
5. Comprehensively step investment in high priority sectors in South Sudan, and
6. Design a strategic implementation mechanism.

It is important to highlight that the Government of RSS and of the A.R.E. signed a Charter in 2012 and entered into some MOUs on many ministries and institutions since 2014. However, a number of factors impeded the implementation so far. These include civil conflicts, concentration on implementing the R-ARCSS, Covid-19, ineffective communication, poor or no follow-up, staff incapacity reinforced by absence of a mechanism for coordination and reporting. We shall have to triple up, this time round.

## **The Summaries of The Agreements And MUOs Signed Are As Below:**

### **Health**

- Construction of and equipping a center of treatment for kidney in Juba,
- Provision of mobile x-ray and other materials to the Ministry of Health, Republic of South Sudan,
- Operationalization of Egyptian Medical partnership for Malaria Combat programme in South Sudan.

### **E. Higher Education:**

- Granting of additional 300 annually fully funded government scholarships to South Sudanese Students; in addition to pocket money of EGP 1,000 for each student.
- Egyptian university professors, experts and teaching staff to visit South Sudan and participate in lecturing.
- Exemption of Egyptian students from fees in South Sudan universities,
- Exemption of South Sudan in private scholarships by 90% of fees.

### **F. Ministry of Irrigation**

- Under implementation is the irrigation system estimated at 26.6 million U.S. dollars.
- The cooperation agreement in field of water Resources is under negotiation.
- In the field of water resources, there was to be provision of equipment, assistance of rehabilitation and establishment of river gauging, dish discharge measurement through a joint technical committee (JTC) in South Sudan.

- Exemption from taxes and duties, and in addition to facilitation of goods, equipment, tools, etc. intended for the related projects sites in South Sudan.
- \* • Dredging of water in Bahr El Jebel.
- Under discussion is resumption of digging the Jonglei Canal given that floods every year displace the populace there. More branches are expected passing through drought prone areas in Bor, Akobo, Fangak, etc districts.

#### **G. In the Field of Foreign Relations:**

MOU of mutual visa exemption for holders and families of diplomatic, special and service (official) passports,

- a. **Training;** Through providing diplomatic studies and training courses for South Sudanese diplomats in Egypt and sending trainers/ senior ambassadors to conduct lectures in the diplomatic institute to be set up in Juba.

#### **I. In the Field of Agriculture:**

An MoU on initiation of a joint model agriculture programme including demonstration and training of specialists and agro-pastoralists.

- Egypt shall provide technical assistance,
- Provide funds for the farm operation and experts,
- South Sudan shall allocate land,
- Providing farms with necessary infrastructure including equipment, and stores,
- South Sudan shall provide permanent sources of water for irrigation and salaries to employees.
- South Sudan provide house for the farm manager, facilities, security, and appoint a counterpart South Sudanese farm manager and labour.

**J. Public Service;**

- I. Training & programs; Raising of leaderships and administration authority's employees to be trained on governance, Egyptian expertise, exchange of training plans and programs.
- II. Presenting the MoU on the Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (ACPMAS).

**K. Ministry of Interior;**

- a) Training of Police and security;

**L. Ministry of Justice;**

1. MOU on training for judges and to organize bilateral visits.

**. Ministry of High Education;**

- I. MOU to encourage cooperation between South Sudan and Egyptian universities,
- II. Exchange of expertise in research; Particularly cooperation agreement between Hilwan and Juba university as well as Tanta and Rumbek universities.
- III. The Egyptian side affirmed the completion of their infrastructure work of the building Alexandria University in Tonj. This is, in addition to preparing regulations and educational curricula of the four faculties (veterinary, nursing, agriculture and education).

**M. Ministry of Transport;**

- a) **Civil Aviation;** It has been agreed to identify liaison points on both sides to identify potential mutual cooperation opportunities. It has been agreed that the interim liason points shall be identified as follows;
  - From South Sudan side;

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- From Egyptian side;

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- b) Identifying through experts from both countries, the required land and river transport project to connect South Sudan via Sudan to Egypt.
- c) Identifying potential synergies and preparatory technical meetings for formulating areas of international cooperation.

**N. Ministry of Finance MOU on;**

- 1) Training in non-banking finance, activities including insurance, capital market, mortgage finance, financial leasing and consumer finance.
- 2) Training and exchange of expertise;

**O. Ministry of Youths and Sports;**

To activate Cooperation and bilateral relations signed in April 2021.

The delegation was composed of the following:

- 1- H.E. Dr. James Wani Igga- Vice President- Head of Delegation
- 2- Hon. Amb. Beatrice Khamisa Wani- Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation
- 3- Hon. Onyoti Adigo NyiKwac- Minister of Livestock and Fisheries
- 4- Hon. Kuol Athian Mawein- Minister of Trade and Industry
- 5- Hon. Manawa Peter Gatkuoth- Minister of Water Resources and Irrigation
- 6- Hon. Gabriel Changson- Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology
- 7- Hon. Dr. Victoria Aniap-Undersecretary of Ministry of Health.

**Thank you very much**