

THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE PLENARY ASSEMBLY OF THE FORUM OF PARLIAMENTS OF MEMBER STATES OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE GREAT LAKES REGION (FP-ICGLR)

RESOLUTION 150SPA/04/2025

RESOLUTIONS ON THE POLITICAL, SECURITY AND HUMANITARIAN SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN

The Plenary Assembly:

- Pursuant to the provisions of Articles 4 and 22 Paragraph 1 of the Pact on Security, Stability and Development in the Great Lakes Region signed on December 15, 2006 in Nairobi, the Republic of Kenya;
- Whereas the provisions of Articles 2 and 6 of the Interparliamentary Agreement establishing the Forum of Parliaments of Member States of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region signed on December 4, 2008 in Kigali, the Republic of Rwanda;
- **Recalling** its resolution 13/OSPA/03/2023 dated April 1, 2023 on the political, security and humanitarian situation in the Republic of South Sudan;
- **Considering** that despite efforts towards implementing the peace agreement, peace and security remain fragile, while conflict has persisted;
- Expressing concern that intercommunal and intersectional violence persists with increased killings, displacements, looting, and destruction of property in most parts of the country;
- Disturbed by the dire humanitarian situation in large areas of the country, worsened by insecurity, violent fighting between intercommunal groups and the displacement of people facing near-starvation;
- Deeply concerned with the purported house arrest and detention of the Leader of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement-in-Opposition (SPLM-IO), the First Vice President Dr. Riek Machar, which caused panic and uncertainty over the fate of the 2018 peace accord;
- Taking note that President Salva Kiir Mayardit announced the extension of the transitional period and postponing the long awaited general elections for a further two years up to December 2026 as agreed in the peace deal;

Adopts the following recommendations:

1. **Applauds** the Government of the Republic of South Sudan for the notable progress made in the implementation of the 2018 Revitalized Peace Agreement including the adoption of a number of laws by the Transitional National Legislative Assembly in July 2024;

- 2. **Urges** all parties to committee to the timely implementation of the Revitalized Peace Agreement (RPA) for the country to achieve long-lasting peace and stability;
- Condemns the political tensions in the Upper Nile State which could escalate into war if parties do not take practical measures to embrace dialogue and consensus;
- 4. **Appeals** to the Government of the Republic of South Sudan to make frantic efforts for an immediate return by all warring parties to consensus to promote peace and stability in the country;
- 5. **Further urges** the parties concerned to de-escalate the current political tensions and direct all their efforts to prevent a relapse into war, support the full implementation of the RPA, and progress the transition towards the country's first democratic elections;
- 6. **Warns** that the looming political tensions between President Salva Kiir and Vice President Riek Machar has potential threat to renew conflict in the country due to Government's decision to delay its latest peace efforts.
- 7. **Calls upon** the Government of the Republic of South Sudan to:
 - a) **Keep** the Revitalized Peace Agreement on track for timely completion of its implementation;
 - b) **Intensify** all efforts to reach consensus on constitutional provisions;
 - c) **Continue** to guarantee the protection of the entire civilian population, including foreigners;
 - d) **Urgently** take key decisions and actions to pave the way for peaceful, inclusive and credible 2026 General Elections;
 - e) **Carry** out other fundamental tasks required in which the concerned parties must reach consensus on the constitutional provisions; and
 - f) **Prevent** the deterioration of the security situation which aggravates the already disastrous humanitarian situation.
- 8. **Further calls upon** the International Community to:
 - a) **Support the Revitalised Peace Agreement implementation**;
 - b) **Engage** the Government of South Sudan constructively and transparently in ensuring security arrangements are implemented;
 - c) **Provide** financial support to the Government of South Sudan in order to speed up the unification in the shortest possible time;
 - d) **Ensure** the remaining forces that cannot be unified should be demobilized, retrained, and reintegrated into society with new skills:
 - e) **Propose** that the Government of South Sudan and other political leaders to set a timeline for the completion of security arrangements; and
 - f) Hold all parties accountable and push for the urgent implementation of security arrangements.
- 9. **Further urges** humanitarian agencies to:
 - a) **Continue** to support IDPs and vulnerable people in the Republic of South Sudan, particularly in Upper Nile, Central and Eastern Equatoria, Jonglei States, and Unity States; and

- b) **Dedicate** the necessary humanitarian aid to the population who have fled to neighbouring countries;
- 10. **Requests** the General Secretariat of the FP-ICGLR to continue monitoring developments regarding the political, security and humanitarian situation in South Sudan and to report to the next Plenary Assembly; and
- 11. **Decides** to remain actively seized of the security situation in the Great Lakes Region.

Done in Luanda, April 25, 2025

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