



Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission

(JMEC)

The 5th meeting of the Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission (JMEC) was convened in Juba on 23 February 2016 by the Chairperson of JMEC, His Excellency Mr. Festus G. Mogae. The meeting was called to order at 10:04, and adjourned at 14:55.

In attendance were:

For the Parties to the Agreement:

1. Hon. Nhial Deng Nhial, for the Government of the Republic of South Sudan
2. Hon. Michael Makuei Lueth, for the Government of the Republic of South Sudan
3. Gen. Taban Deng Gai, for the SPLM/A (In Opposition)
4. Prof. Dhieu Mathok Wol, for the SPLM/A (In Opposition)
5. Mr. Kosti Manibe Ngai, for the SPLM Former Detainees

For the Other South Sudanese Stakeholders and Adherents

1. Rt. Revd. Bishop Enock Tombe, for the Faith Based Leaders
2. Mr. Mohammed Moragan, for the Faith Based Leaders
3. Mrs. Amer Manyok Deng, for the Women's Bloc
4. Mrs. Alokiir Malual Aguer, for Civil Society
5. Mr. Arok Dut Arok, for Business Groups
6. Ms. Koiti Emmily, For the Youth Groups

For the Regional Guarantors

1. Mr. Berhanu Gebreyesus, for the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia
2. Amb. Cleland Leshore, for the Republic of Kenya
3. Amb. Jamal Elsheikh, for the Republic of Sudan
4. Gen. Ivan Koreta, for the Republic of Uganda
5. Amb. Gabriel Phemelo Setlhoke, for the Republic of South Africa
6. Amb. Stanislas Nakaha, for the African Union Commission

For the International Partners and Friends of South Sudan

1. Amb. Ma Qiang, for the People's Republic of China
2. Amb. Tone Tinnes, for the Kingdom of Norway
3. Mr. Richard Croker, for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
4. Mr. James Doneghan, for the United States of America
5. Mr. Moustapha Soumaré, for the United Nations
6. Amb. Stefano de Leo, for the European Union
7. Amb. Nicholas Coghlan, for the IGAD Partners Forum

For the JMEC Secretariat

1. His Excellency François Lounceny Fall, Deputy Chairperson of JMEC
2. Amb. Legwaila Joseph Legwaila, Special Advisor to the JMEC Chairperson
3. Mr. Aly Verjee, Deputy Chief of Staff

Minutes of the 5th Meeting of the Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission (JMEC)

1. By unanimous decision, the membership of the Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission (JMEC) unconditionally endorsed and adopted the compromise plan on phased security arrangements for Juba offered by the JMEC Chairperson, as revised during the meeting. The plan states that the transport of 1,370 SPLM/A (IO) forces to Juba would be sufficient to allow for the return to Juba of the First Vice President-designate, and therefore lead to the establishment of the Transitional Government of National Unity (TGoNU). The plan aimed for the transport of these forces to be complete by 1 March 2016.
2. The Chairperson informed the Government that he had received a letter from some of the communities of Juba County expressing concern at the use of land by Government forces, in the course of the redeployment of forces from Juba. The Government requested that the concern be forwarded to its representatives and accepted to examine how it might address the concerns raised.
3. The Government confirmed to JMEC its intention to review the NGO Act once the Transitional Government of National Unity was formed, pursuant to the terms of the Agreement.
4. Concerning cantonment sites outside of Jonglei, Unity and Upper Nile States, the SPLM/A (In Opposition) argued that since it had declared forces in Bahr el Ghazal and Equatoria, it was entitled to canton those forces in those areas as per Chapter II, Art. 2.2 of the Agreement. The Government disputed this position, and the number of sites declared to date by the SPLM/A (In Opposition). The Chairperson of JMEC directed CTSAMM to verify the existence of SPLM/A (In Opposition) forces outside of the three states of Greater Upper Nile.
5. In his closing remarks, the Chairperson of JMEC suggested that at the next meeting of JMEC, the Parties formally report on the actions they have taken to improve humanitarian access, in line with their earlier commitments to JMEC.