

Post-referendum Negotiations, Special Session on Security

Option Paper on Joint Command Mechanism for the Two Areas

Definition

The mandate of the Joint Command Mechanism (JCM) is to continue for the coordination, command and dispute resolution and consisting of the SAF command, the SPLA command and the military leaders of the two areas

Objective

The objective of the JCM is to undertake all actions necessary to ensure the successful implementation of the post-referendum security arrangement, agreements for the two areas, between the two parties with the reference to future of the SPLA forces from the two areas, specially planning arrangement that include designation of the assembly area, for the integration into SAF, other security institution and civil services, in conjunction with multi-sectoral package for the security sector reform, and any other security matters agreed by the two parties.

Common Principle

The JCM is established in line with the following common principle:

1. Respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Sudan and its constitution
2. SPLA forces from the two areas, shall be considered and treated equally as Sudan's National Armed Forces before full integration to form SNAF
3. SPLA members from the two areas are citizens of the Republic of Sudan and their future lies in the Republic of Sudan

4. Unity and centrality of command of SAF pending implementation of security arrangement that is now under negotiations
5. Commitment to implementation of the CPA including the popular consultations.
6. SPLA members from the two areas will be integrated into SAF and other security institution, and the civil services, in conjunctions with an Security Sector Reform (SSR)
7. Toward stability with two areas, the parties agreed the implementation of the outcome of the popular consultation in the two areas currently with the implementation with the security arrangements
8. The parties agreed that the SPLA forces of the two assembly areas shall be redeployed to north 1/1/1956 first week of June 2011 to areas that shall be agreed upon by the two parties. (Assembly areas)
9. The parties agreed that SPLA forces shall be deployed in areas to be designated by the two parties
10. The two parties agreed that the forces of the two areas shall remain in the designated assembly Areas awaiting political resolution of the political conflict of the two areas through the process of the popular consultation
11. The parties agreed that the government of Sudan shall take the responsibilities to pay the dues of the forces deployed in the two areas
12. The two parties agreed that forces of the two areas shall remain under the command structures of Joint Mechanism that will be agreed upon according to the CPA article 7.1.4 page 97, post interim period, duration of months (D+78 months to D+84 months) formation of the Sudan National Armed Forces (NAF) in case of Unity or dissolution of JIUS in case of secession
13. The parties agreed that to establish a joint security mechanism to review the current ceasefire agreement and modalities to review the current ceasefire agreement and modalities to suite the new situation in the two areas
14. The parties agreed that the process of the integration of the SPLA forces into SAF shall commence within an agreed interim period concurrently with

the political activities and modalities of the outcome of the popular consultation

JIUs

- The parties agreed that the JIUs in the two areas shall remain in their areas of deployment pending outcome of the popular consultation.
- The parties agreed that the government of Sudan shall to continue pay their dues pending the integration process. That its period will be determined after the results of the popular consultations

Tasks

The Joint Command Mechanism (JCM) will perform the following tasks:

1. Receive all information concerning the numbers, ranks, time in service, qualification, states of origin, and other necessary information concerning all SPLA forces from the two areas, including those serving in JIUs, in the 9th and 10th Division of the SPLA, and other SPLA units
2. Draw up a comprehensive plan of the SPLA forces from the two areas, according to their designated areas, command and integration into SAF and other security institution, in conjunction with a multi-sectoral Security Sector Reform (SSR) package.
3. Receive the JIUs SPLA members from the two areas on the dissolution of the JIUs and thereafter take full responsibility for their command, control, administration, salaries and other benefits. Etc
4. Liaise with the SPLA (Armed Forces of the Republic of Southern Sudan) on matters associated with the handover files, payment of end of service benefits, relocation of family members, etc, to SPLA members from the two areas
5. Command SPLA JIUs forces in the two areas excluding SPLA proper

Membership

JMM shall consist of the following:

1. COGs SPLA
2. COGs SAF
3. Commander of SPLA 9th division
4. Commander of SPLA 10th division
5. Commander SAF 4th division
6. Commander SAF 14th division
7. Representative of the 3rd party (observer)

Finance

The two political parties' leadership SPLM/NCP may request the finances from GOS/GOSS

The joint political and Security Mechanism (JPSM) shall request the international committee to establish a basket fund, to which international donors may contribute