



THE COMMUNIQUE ON THE CROSS-BORDER SECURITY MEETING BETWEEN CENTRAL EQUATORIA STATE (REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN) AND WEST NILE DISTRICTS OF MOYO, YUMBE AND KOBOKO (REPUBLIC OF UGANDA) HELD IN YUMBE DISTRICT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA.

ON 21st OCT 2022

PREAMBLE

We, the delegates of the cross-border Security meeting on Border Issues in the Republic of Uganda, Represented by Mr. Hudu Hussein the Resident District Commissioner of Yumbe District and the Republic of South Sudan represented by H.E. Emmanuel Adil Anthony, the Governor of Central Equatoria State on 21st October, 2022 having deliberated and reviewed progress made on the implementation of the previous resolutions of the Cross-border peace and security meetings and its implementation modalities do hereby affirm their position as:

- 1. Commend the two Leaders of the Republic of Uganda, H.E Gen. Yoweri K. Museveni and the Republic of South Sudan H.E Gen. Salva Kiir Mayardit for their support towards the engagement for the peaceful coexistence of the neighbouring communities in the two borders of South Sudan and Uganda
- 2. Appreciate the efforts of the Resident District Commissioners of Yumbe, Koboko, Adjumani and Moyo and the Local Government Authorities of the Central Equatoria State Bordering Counties of Kajokeji, Morobo Lainya and Yei Counties for their steadfast role in restoring border security between the Republic of South Sudan and the Republic of Uganda.
- 3. Reiterate their respect for the sovereignty, territorial Integrity and Unity of the border Communities of both the Republic of South Sudan and Uganda,
- 4. Having been inspired by the conviction that the achievements of peace and security at the borders of Yumbe, Koboko, Adjumani and Moyo districts of the Republic of Uganda and Central Equatoria State of the Republic of South Sudan shall promote peaceful coexistence, security and encourage trade on border communities' peaceful coexistence and solidarity.

5. Cognizant on the need to boost the on-going efforts to integrate the East African Region, strengthen its unity and promote peace, security and stability through the structural prevention of conflicts;

6. Guided by the principle of the respect of borders existing in achievement of national independence, as enshrined in the Charter of the African Unity (AU). Resolution AHG/Res-16-(1) on border disputes between African States, adopted by

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AU, held in Cairo, Egypt, in July 1964, and article 4 (b) of the Constitutive Act of the African Union,

- 7. Recalled the previous resolutions on the Cross-border meetings as dated 13th March, 2019, in Koboko, 31st May, 2019 resolution of the Cross-border meeting in Yei County, the 13th March, 2021 resolution of the Cross-border meeting in Jale, Kajokeji County and the 24th January, 2022 of the Cross-border meeting in Moyo District of the Republic of Uganda.
- 8. Took note of the progress reports of the Cross-border meetings and committees between the three districts of Yumbe, Moyo and Koboko and Central Equatoria State of the Republic of South Sudan.
- 9. Committed to the need for the safety and protection of the South Sudanese Refugees hosted in the two districts of Koboko, Yumbe and Moyo in the Republic of Uganda in collaboration with UNHCR.

Therefore, the delegation of the two parties do hereby seize this opportunity to agree to act in the spirit of fostering peace, security and cooperation in the cross border

meetings and signed hereunder YUMBE

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