

Peacebuilding Commission's advice to the Security Council on UNMISS

9 August 2024

As part of its continuing engagement with South Sudan, the Commission reiterates in full its recommendation made to the Security Council last March and further requests attention on the following:

1. The Commission notes that limited progress was made towards the implementation of the Revitalized Agreement for the Resolution of the Conflict in South Sudan and the Road Map to a peaceful and democratic end of a Transition Period, it encourages the Transitional Government and all parties to the Agreement to expedite all outstanding provisions within the agreed timelines, including those regarding to the holding of free and fair, peaceful elections.
2. The PBC notes the regional efforts to support a more inclusive and sustainable peace process, and welcome the efforts supported by Kenya through the Tumaini Initiative to facilitate dialogue between the Transitional Government and the non-signatories of the Revitalized Agreement, and underlines the importance of continued AU and IGAD engagement as part of regional efforts.
3. Reiterating the importance that the electoral process is owned and led by the South Sudanese people, the Commission recalls the 2023-2025 Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework between the United Nations and the Transitional Government, and stresses that the holding of free and fair, peaceful elections can bring sustainable peace to South Sudan.
4. The Commission underscores the important role of UNMISS to facilitate, within its mandate, the conduct of free and fair, peaceful elections in accordance with the Revitalized Agreement, and calls for all actors to engage on countering any potential disinformation and misinformation directed against UNMISS.
5. The Commission recognizes the complexity of the political, humanitarian, security, and economic challenges in South Sudan, including the adverse effects of climate-related events, land degradation, food insecurity, and natural disasters, and underscores the importance of removing all undue barriers to the delivery of humanitarian assistance and to ensure unhindered access of UN and humanitarian personnel to those in need in South Sudan as well as the security and freedom of its movement.
6. The Commission notes with concern the continuation of localized and intercommunal conflicts and violence, including sexual violence in conflict, that affect civilians and have negative repercussions particularly on vulnerable groups, especially women, children and youth, and calls all relevant actors to support efforts towards the rehabilitation and reintegration of those formerly associated with armed groups, especially children. The PBC also notes the potential spill over and impact of the humanitarian and security situation in the Sudan on South Sudan, and calls for the adoption of a regional approach that aims at mitigating the consequences of the crisis.
7. The Commission notes with concern the serious economic deterioration and encourages the South Sudanese authorities to work in close partnership with all actors to tackle the underlying

root causes of it through an inclusive, integrated and sustainable manner, and encourages the international community to increase its support to South Sudan.

8. The Commission notes the support provided by the UN Secretary General's Peacebuilding Fund in the implementation of the revitalized agreement, and takes note of projects implemented by UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes and civil society organizations that aim at enhancing the participation of women and youth in peacebuilding processes at national and local levels in line with South Sudanese needs.