

**Decisions Adopted by the JPSM
Addis Ababa, 19 March 2013**

Decisions adopted by the extraordinary Meeting of the Joint Political and Security Mechanism (JPSM) held in Addis Ababa on 19 March 2013 and chaired by H.E. General Abdulsalami Alhaji Abubakar. The Sudanese delegation was headed by H.E. 1st Lt. Gen (PSC) Eng. Abdul Raheem Mohammad Hussein Minister of Defence Government of Sudan and the South Sudanese delegation by H.E. Gen. John Kong Nyuon Minister of Defence and Veterans' Affairs Government of South Sudan.

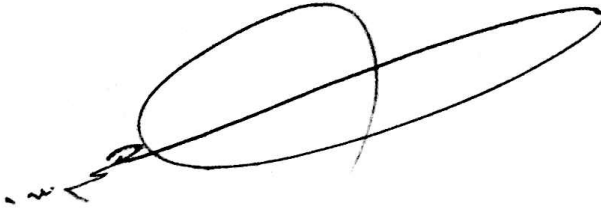
Agenda Item	Decisions
Agenda Item 1: <i>Introductory Remarks</i>	<i>The JPSM appreciates the positive role of the AUHIP and the two parties in convening the meeting.</i>
Agenda Items 2 and 3: <i>Update on status of withdrawal, redeployment and the JBVM by the UNISFA Force Commander</i>	<i>The JPSM reaffirmed the commitment of both parties to the implementation of the signed agreements. The JPSM welcomed progress on redeployment of forces and praised the compliance with the agreed timetable in accordance with the agreements. UNISFA informed the JPSM that its next progress report will be given in the upcoming extraordinary JPSM meeting.</i>
Agenda Item 4: <i>Review of the JPSM and JPSM Secretariat TORs</i>	<i>The JPSM endorsed the revised Terms of Reference for the JPSM and the JPSM Secretariat (see Enclosure 1).</i>
Agenda Item 5: <i>Update on processing complaints and concerns</i>	<i>The JPSM agreed that concerns and complaints shall be referred to the respective mechanisms. The JPSM welcomed the cooperation between the two Co-Chairs and their delegations and adopted the Agreement on an additional committee to deal with the concerns and complaints that may violate the Memorandum of Understanding of 10 February 2012 and the 27 September 2012 Security Agreement (see Enclosure 2).</i>
Agenda Item 6: <i>Report of the Joint Technical Border Corridor Committee</i>	<i>The JPSM agreed to postpone the report of the Joint Technical Border Corridor Committee to the next JPSM meeting. The Joint Technical Border Corridor Committee, specifically customs, immigration and police representatives, will meet three days ahead of the next JPSM meeting to prepare this report.</i>
Agenda Item 7: <i>Next Meeting of JPSM</i>	<i>It was decided that next extraordinary meeting of the JPSM will be held in Addis Ababa. The agenda and the date will be determined by the AUHIP in consultation with the Co-Chairs. The next ordinary meeting will be held in Juba after 30 days and then in 45-day intervals alternating between Juba and Khartoum.</i>
Agenda Item 8: <i>Any Other Business</i>	<i>The JPSM endorsed the request for capacity-building for the Joint Secretariat.</i>

Enclosures:

Enclosure 1 – Revised JPSM Terms of Reference and Joint Secretariat Terms of Reference

Enclosure 2 – Formation of an Additional Committee

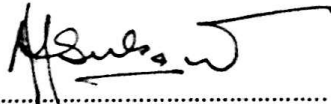
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Terms of Reference: JPSM and JPSM Joint Secretariat

1. The Joint Political and Security Mechanism (JPSM)

Reporting

The JPSM is answerable to the two Presidents of the two States.

Composition

The JPSM shall be a political decision-making body composed of:

1. Ministers of Defence
2. Ministers of Foreign Affairs
3. Ministers of Interior
4. Chiefs of General Staff
5. Director-Generals of National Security
6. Police Commissioners
7. Chiefs of Military Intelligence
8. Legal Advisors
9. Two senior officers from each SPLA and SAF
10. Two senior police officer from each State
11. Two senior national security officers from each State

Standing Sub-Committees with Membership drawn from the JPSM (and UNISFA)

1. Technical Committee on implementation of agreements
2. Ad-Hoc Committee

Other Standing Bodies

1. Joint Secretariat
2. Joint Border Verification and Monitoring Mechanism

Working procedures

- The JPSM chair shall be rotational between the two States.
- The JPSM shall reach its decisions by consensus of the Parties including amendments to these ToRs as a living document.
- The JPSM shall meet every 45 days but either Party may call an extraordinary meeting when any problem occurs.
- The location of the JPSM will rotate with its chair and will normally alternate between Khartoum and Juba.
- The Co-Chairs may agree to hold a JPSM in an area closer to or inside the SDBZ, if they agree that this would provide JPSM members with greater awareness of an agenda item.
- They Co-Chairs may agree to hold a JPSM in a neutral location with the agreement of a host country.
- The Parties will establish direct communications between the respective members of the JPSM from each sovereign State and with the JPSM Joint Secretariat.



Mandate and functions

- Supervise, monitor and oversee the implementation of all security agreements.
- Complete negotiations of any operational details, which shall support cooperation, peace and stability in the two States as shall be necessary.
- Urge the Parties to rise to their obligations as stipulated in the different security agreements.
- Settle deadlocks arising from the implementation of the security agreements and refer unresolved issues to the Presidents.
- Adopt further mechanisms and principles to enable the JPSM to carry out this function.
- Provide a political defence and security forum to coordinate the cooperation the cooperation between the two States foster confidence-building between the two States.
- Propose amendments in the agreement to the two Presidents.
- Foster political and security cooperation between the two States.
- All contact with the media will be conducted on a joint basis and only by the JPSM chairs of their designated spokespersons.
- The Co-Chairs will task the appropriate competent authority: the JBVMM; the Ad-Hoc committee; the Ad-Hoc committee of the JBVMM Sector HQ (for the 14 Mile Area); the JPSM Co-Chairs themselves; or a new ad-hoc or sub-committee should be created by the JPSM when necessary.

Funding

- The cost of JPSM meetings, less for travel to the meetings, which shall remain the responsibility of the sending States, will be met by the hosting government.
- In the event that a JPSM meeting is held in a neutral location, it will be for the joint chairs to agree a funding mechanism with the host country before confirmation of the meeting location.
- All other costs of the JPSM will be the sole responsibility of the two States in equal proportion.
- The JPSM budget for the coming accounting year will be agreed as a JPSM agenda item no later than six months before the beginning of the accounting year and ratified by the two sending governments no later than three months before the start of the accounting year.
- Any external donations and support will be held in an AU escrow account.

2. JPSM Joint Secretariat

Reporting

The JPSM Joint Secretariat is a standing secretariat and is answerable to the two Co-Chairs of the JPSM.

Composition



The JPSM Joint Secretariat comprises twelve (including two Ad-Hoc Committee members from each side) persons drawn 50/50 from the sending States. UNISFA shall appoint two members to participate in Secretariat meetings.

Working procedures

- The JPSM Joint Secretariat will be fully established as a standing secretariat and appropriately equipped and housed in two offices in Khartoum and Juba; each office should be routinely manned by the sixnational staff and funded by each State.
- All eight staff shall converge in the location where a JPSM meeting is to be held for a period of up to 15 days (the exact duration to be decided by the hosting chair) either side of the date of the JPSM meeting in order to provide support for that meeting.
- In case of a meeting in a neutral location, the JPSM will coordinate and liaise with the host country.

Funding

The JPSM Joint Secretariat will:

- Each State shall be responsible for its component of the Joint Secretariat;
- When hosting a meeting, the host State will be responsible for financing the work of the Joint Secretariat
- Should there be any other costs, they shall be shared on a 50/50 basis by both States;
- Publish the actual expenditure against the JPSM budget during the previous accounting year no later than one month after the end of the accounting year;
- Publish its annual budget forecast for the coming accounting year no later than six months before the beginning of the accounting year.

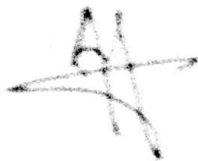
Tasks

The JPSM Joint Secretariat will:

- Coordinate all aspects of the JPSM's work, including the day-to-day administrative activities and regular reports of JPSM meetings;
- Having liaised with the respective Co-Chair, draft and issue invitation letters to the Parties at least seven days prior to the convergence of the Joint Secretariat;
- Having liaised with the respective Co-Chair, draft and issue invitation letters to any observers and other invited guests at least seven days prior to a JPSM meeting (UNISFA, Ad-Hoc Committee, JBVMM, other bespoke committees, international organisations eg. UN / AU etc.);
- Based on directives from the Co-Chairs, prepare and circulate the agenda, including relevant reference documents and Decisions from the last JPSM meeting, at least seven days in advance of JPSM meetings;
- Draft Records of Decisions of JPSM meetings for immediate adoption by the JPSM meeting;
- Draft and hold full minutes of all JPSM meetings;
- Prepare budget submissions for JPSM ratification and accountability;
- Communicate directly amongst its members from each State;



- Maintain records of all JPSM correspondence.
- Receive concerns and complaints and liaise with the competent authorities.

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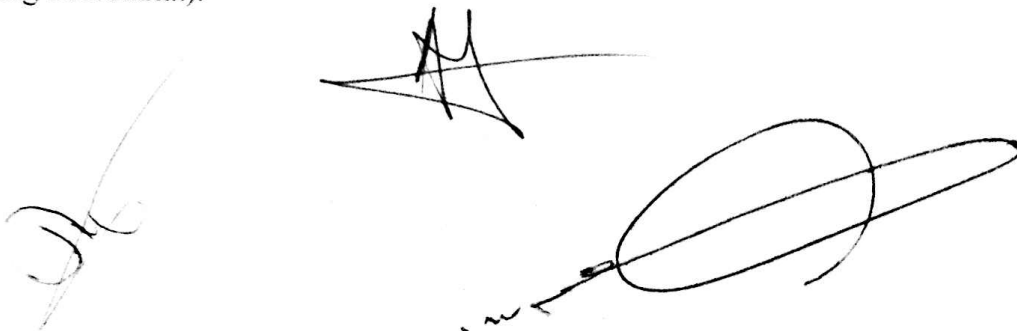
**JOINT POLITICAL AND SECURITY MECHANISM (JPSM)
BETWEEN SUDAN AND SOUTH SUDAN**

**Tuesday, March 19, 2013
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**

Formation of an Additional Committee

In view of the Consultative Meeting held on 18th March 2013, on the formation of an additional Mechanism both the Republics of Sudan and South Sudan agreed on the following:

1. The full implementation of the 27 September 2012 Agreement as well as the Agreement of 8th March 2013 on implementation modalities.
2. Formation of a joint committee to be mandated to deal with any concerns and complaints may constitute a violation to the MoU on Non Aggression and Cooperation of 14th February 2012, as well as the Mutual Cooperation Agreement of 27th September 2012, including harboring and supporting of each State to the rebel Movements and negative Forces of the other State and any other concerns outside the area of responsibility of the Ad-hoc Committee, therefore each side should be tasked to prepare a proposal on formation of this Committee and its Terms of References to be submitted to the next extraordinary JPSM Meeting (date to be determined by the AUHIP) for approval. Up to that time the Military Intelligence Chiefs on both States should be tasked to conduct regular joint Meetings for resolution of Complaints and Concerns if any.
3. For the smooth implementation and confidence building there is an urgent need for the two Parties to implement with good faith the existing mechanisms (JBVMM, the Ad-hoc Committee of the JBVMM HQs, the Ad-hoc Committee of the 14 Mile Area, and the Standing Secretariat).

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