

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> October 2005

**H.E. Lt. General Salva Kiir Mayardit**

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the Republic,

President of the Government of Southern Sudan,

Chairman of SPLM & Commander in Chief of SPLA

Juba, Southern Sudan

**RE. THE GREVIANCES OF THE SPLM CAUCUS NUER IN SOUTHERN  
SUDAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

**Your Excellency The President,**

It is our pleasure to write to you this open letter regarding the formation of the two governments namely; the Government of National Unity (GONU) and Government of Southern Sudan (GOSS).

The compositions of both governments of National Unity and Southern Sudan do not encourage the unity and harmony among the people of Southern Sudan. This formation does not reflect the principles of the CPA, INC and the Interim Southern Sudan Constitution, which stipulates the representations of ethnicity, geographical and gender balances among the diverse Southern Sudanese communities. It does not at all represent the wishes and aspiration of our people in the areas of democracy, good governance, human rights and the rule of law.

The ongoing marginalization policy of our ethnic community, the Nuer, which is the second largest ethnic group in Southern Sudan targets the very heart of the unity of our people and also does not relate to the vision, goals and objectives of our Movement SPLM, which advocates for justice, equity and equal representation in government for all ethnic groups in our Country.

And our grievances for the lack of justice, equity and fair representation in the formation of both GONU and GOSS are enumerated as follows:

**A) The Dinka ethnic group commands a sizable majority in both the Governments of National Unity and Southern Sudan. The Government of National Unity has the following National ministers who are from the SPLM:**

1. Dr. Lam Akol Ajawin	(Shilluk)	Foreign Affairs
2. Mr. Kuol Manyang	(Dinka)	Transport, Roads and Bridges
3. Mr. Malik Agar	(Blue Nile)	Investment
4. Mr. Kostis Manibi	(Equatorian)	Humanitarian Affairs
5. Prof. George Boreng	(Equatorian)	External Trade
6. Dr. Peter Nyot Kok	(Dinka)	Higher Education
7. Dr. Tabitha Batros	(Nuba Mt.)	Health
8. Mr. Deng Alor Kuol	(Dinka)	Presidential Affairs
9. Hon. Atem Garang deKuek	(Dinka)	D/Speaker of National Assembly
10. Dr. Hurun Ron Lual	(Dinka)	Presidential Advisor



**B) The positions of State Ministers in the National Government are as follows:**

1. Mr. Timothy Tot Chol	(Nuer)	Industry
2. Dr. Ann Itto	(Equatorian)	Agriculture & Forestry
3. Mr. William Ajal Deng	(Dinka)	Justice
4. Mr. Aleu Ayiey Aleu	(Dinka)	Interior
5. Dr. Barnaba Marial Benjamin	(Dinka)	International Corporation
6. Dr. Yusuf Mustafa	(Nuba Mt.)	Labour
7. Mr. Telar Deng	(Dinka)	Presidential Affairs
8. Dr. Lual Deng Achiek	(Dinka)	Finance
9. Mr. James Thuoc Rial	(Dinka)	Environment & Tourism

**Mr. President Sir,**

**C) In the light of the above formation of the Government of National Unity, we have also suffered the same fate as we have acknowledged the following cabinet ministers, advisers and leading institutions of the Government of Southern Sudan from the SPLM. Their names are as follows:**

1. 1 <sup>st</sup> Lt. General Salva Kiir	(Dinka)	President of GOSS
2. Dr. Riek Machar Teny	(Nuer)	Housing, Lands & P. Utilities
3. Dr. Justin Yac Arop	(Dinka)	Cabinet Affairs
4. Mr. Daniel Awet Akot	(Dinka)	Police & Security
5. Mr. Arthur Akien Chol	(Dinka)	Finance & Economics
6. Mr. Michael Makuei Lueth	(Dinka)	Legal Affairs
7. Mr. Nhial Deng Nhial	(Dinka)	Regional Cooperation
8. Mr. Gier Chuang Aluong	(Dinka)	Telecommunication & Postal
9. Mrs. Rebecca Nyandeng Mabior	(Dinka)	Transport & Roads
10. Mr. David Deng Athorbei	(Dinka)	Labour & Public Service
11. TBA		SPLA Affairs
12. Mr. John Luk Jok	(Nuer)	Culture, Youth & Sports
13. Dr. Theophilus Ochieng	(Equatorian)	Health
14. Mr. Anthony Makana	(Equatorian)	Commerce, Trade & Supply
15. Dr. Samson Kwaje	(Equatorian)	Information
16. Dr. Festo Kumbo	(Equatorian)	Animal Resources
17. Mrs. Mary Kedin	(Equatorian)	Gender & Social Welfare

**D) Advisers to the President of Government of Southern Sudan:**

1. Mr. Lual Ding Wol	(Dinka)	Political Affairs
2. Mr. Samuel Abu John	(Equatorian)	Federal Affairs
3. Fr. George Kinga	(Equatorian)	Religious Affairs
4. Mrs. Awut Deng Achuiel	(Dinka)	Gender & Human Rights
5. Mr. Paul Mayom Akec	(Dinka)	Legal Affairs

6. Mr. Pagan Amum Okec

(Shilluk)

Diplomatic Affairs

**E) Other Institutions:**

1. Mr. Ambrose Ring Thiik
2. Mr. Elija Malok Aleng
3. Mr. Abdun Agaw Jok

(Dinka)  
(Dinka)  
(Dinka)

President, S.Sudan Supreme Court  
Governor of BOSS  
GOSS Secretary General

Your Excellency,

In the view of the above, we are duty bound as members of SPLM in the Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly to bring this unfortunate imbalance to your attention and to protect the vision, goals, objectives and programmes of the SPLM, which are the guiding principles for us all.

Therefore, we appeal to Your Excellency to seriously consider our grievances and find a way to address them to the satisfaction of our Constituencies. We should not give the enemies of peace a chance this time. Hence, we believe that the SPLM policy of justice, equity, equal representation, regional and gender balances should continue to be the norms of our systems.

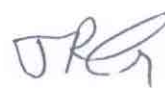
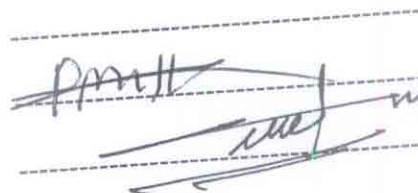
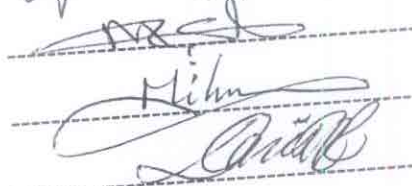
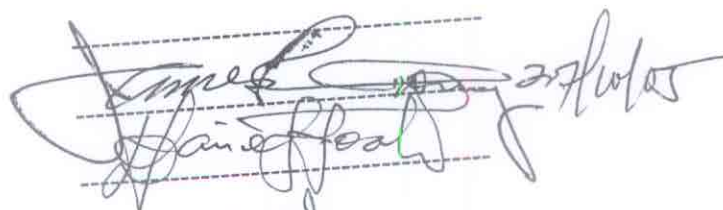
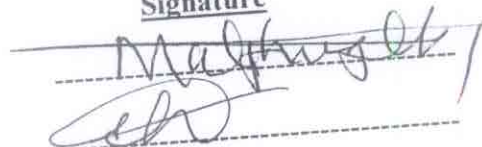
Yours sincerely,

The undersigned persons are Members of SPLM Caucus Nuer in Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly and they are:

**Name in Full**

1. Hon. Rev. Matthew Mathiang Deng
2. Hon. Thomas Kume Khan
3. Hon. Simon Kun Puoc
4. Hon. James Reat Gony
5. Hon. Daniel Wuor Joak
6. Hon. Mary Nyaulang Ret Chany
7. Hon. Rev. Michael Mot Diew
8. Hon. William Wuor Dador
9. Hon. George Kel Gatwech
10. Hon. Peter Manguel Thiep
11. Hon. Puok Bol Mut

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12. Hon. Nyalok Tiong Gatluak

13. Hon. Gatkuoth Duop Kuic

  
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Copies to:

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Vice President of the Government of Southern Sudan
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Speaker,  
Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly

