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Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC)

Jonglei State

Director's Office - Bor



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To: All Humanitarian Partners in Jonglei State

Sub: Coordination of Humanitarian Response

This is to thank all the humanitarian partners for their continuous efforts in providing essential services to the disaster affected population across the State. Recently, it has come to my notice that some humanitarian partners do initiate their own assessment without involving RRC in them. However, I thought it would be important for the Government and the partners to streamline the response mechanisms, since the Government is the lead in the provision of services and supported by partners.

It is important to involve the RRC in order to take part in any emergency humanitarian response processes as it enhances the local capacity. It also reflects the spirit of humanitarian charter, the protection principles and the core standard articulated in Sphere's right-based and people centered approach to humanitarian response. Moreover, it will equally comprehend the significance of including the affected population, local and national authorities at all stages of response.

In order to improve the quality of humanitarian action during the response and to be held accountable, there is a need to evenly strengthen the level of coordination and partnership with the Government at all levels. Henceforth, all the humanitarian partners operating in Jonglei are urged to abide by the above cited principles and include the RRC staff in all the assessments missions in the State without necessarily undermining its institutional structures from the National level to the Payams.

Your understanding will be highly appreciated

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