## **Tri-State Conference on Cross Border Security Issues**

## Rumbek Communiqué 19th June 2013

This is a communiqué signed between the three state Governors of lakes, Warrap and Unity in Rumbek town on the 19<sup>th</sup> June 2013. In the past three days, the Governors and States Security Committees of Tri-Statestogether with the County Commissioners, Ministers and Security Advisors, met in Rumbek, Lakes State, from 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2013 to deliberate over pressing security issues facing the 3States and the Nation. The conference provided platform for security Committees of Tri-State with an opportunity to discuss and share ideas on key security matters. At the end of the conference all the parties came up with the following resolutions embedded in the Communiqué.

- Criminalization of Cattle rustling activities
- Legalization of Blood Compensation among the three states
- Opening of Security Roads in the three states borders to facilitate easy movement
- Establishment of joint inter state Courts along the borders
- Regular exchange of Visits by state officials of either states
- Encouragement of inter-State Sports Competition along the common borders
- Deployment of joint mobile Forces in hotspot areas along the borders
- UNMISS to Coordinate Donor Conference
- Tri states to strongly encourage border Trade
- Tri state to agree on common strategies for comprehensive civilian disarmament
- Tri state to secure their common borders from firearms Proliferation
- Tri state to agree on legal framework on armament of Civilian population
- Establishment of tri state follow-up Mechanisms for the implementation of the resolutions and recommendations of security committees.
- There shall be strong political will & financial commitment by the tri state Governors

## **Immediate Action Points:**

Resolution		Required	Lead Agency	Time
Issue	Action Point	Resources	1900	frame
Criminalization of Cattle rustling activities	<ul> <li>Compensation of victims with 51 cattle</li> <li>Death penalty for criminals</li> <li>5 years</li> </ul>	Government	State Government	Immediate

54	<ul> <li>imprisonment of criminals</li> <li>5,000 SSPs as fine</li> <li>No blood compensation for criminals killed in cattle raiding</li> </ul>			
Legalization of Blood Compensation	<ul> <li>Death penalty for refusal to pay compensation</li> <li>Payment of 51 cattle as compensation</li> <li>5 years imprisonment for no payment</li> <li>5,000 SSPs fine</li> </ul>	Government	State Govt.	Immediate
Opening of Security Roads	<ul> <li>Karic-Nybor- Monynhom- Panyijar</li> <li>Pagaro-Ganylel- Monynhom- Panyijar</li> <li>Malek-Pook- Panyijar</li> <li>Panhom-Tieptiep- Wunliet</li> <li>Maper- Makuacaguer</li> <li>Mariallou-Akop- Pakur-Chotcare</li> <li>Kareer-Ganyliel</li> <li>Paloch-Nyibor</li> </ul>	Government	NGOSS/State Governments &donors/partners	Immediate
	<ul> <li>Twic-Mayom</li> <li>Kuenyit-Madol</li> <li>Mayenjur-Lake Nyibor</li> <li>Mayen-Pagor</li> <li>Pagaro- Monynhom- Ganylel-Panyijar</li> <li>Lietnyhom- Mayenjur- Ruathnyibol</li> <li>Gogrial east-</li> </ul>			

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Establishment	TonjNorth-Mayom  Wnchuer- Bilnyang- Mayendit  Tonj east- Mayendit-Koch  Wangkey- Chotchara-Gabor- Mayendit  Court one:	Government	NGOSS/States	Immediate
of joint inter state Courts along the borders	Panyhom- (Cueibet, Tonj east &Rumbek North) Court two: Monynhom, (Panyijar, Rumbek Centre &Yirol east) Court three: Lare (Gogrial east, Tongj North &Mayom) Court Four: Mayom-Adony (Twic, Mayom&Abiemnh om)	Government	Government	
Regular exchange of Visits by state officials of either states	<ul> <li>Conduct conferences twice a year</li> <li>Allow free movement of civilians in the</li> </ul>	Government	States Govts./UNMISS & others	As require
Encouragement of inter-State Sports Competition along the common borders	states  Conduct interstates sports competition along the common border  Construction of sport fields/centers			
Deployment of joint mobile Forces in hotspot areas along the	<ul> <li>Establishment of police stations along the border</li> <li>Training of special</li> </ul>	Government	States Governments	immediate

borders	<ul> <li>mobile forces</li> <li>Provide logistic support to the mobile forces</li> <li>Construction of roads, health centers, border markets &amp; water points</li> </ul>			
UNMISS to Coordinate Donor Conference	<ul> <li>To organize donor conference to solicit fund for the implementation of the resolutions</li> </ul>	UNMISS/Govt.	NGOSS	As require
Tri states to strongly encourage border Trade	<ul> <li>3 states ministers of finance, trade &amp; Industry should come up with joint plan to promote economic development of the 3 states</li> <li>Reduction of high taxation at customs centers</li> </ul>	Government	States Ministries of Finance & Partners	Immediate
Tri state to agree on common strategies for comprehensive civilian disarmament	<ul> <li>Simultaneous disarmament across the 3 states</li> <li>Tri-states to secure their common borders from firearms proliferation</li> </ul>	Government	States Govts.	immediate
Tri state to agree on legal framework on armament of Civilian population	<ul> <li>Formation of border courts</li> <li>Take courts action against illegal possession of firearms</li> </ul>	Governments	States Govts.	immediate
Establishment of tri state follow-up Mechanisms for the	<ul> <li>Formation of monitoring committee</li> <li>Tri-states to establish security</li> </ul>	Government	States govts.	Immediate

implementation of the	secretariat or security			
resolutions.	commission			
There should be strong political will & financial commitment by the tri state Governors	<ul> <li>Tri-states         Governors to         allocate special         funds for security         &amp; peace building         activities</li> <li>Tri-states         Governors to         encourage the         media for         community         awareness on the         peace conference         resolutions</li> </ul>	Government	States Govts.	immediate
Tri-states to secure their common border from firearms proliferation	<ul> <li>Deployment of joint states security forces</li> <li>Continuous monitoring of cross border cattle movement and other criminal activities</li> <li>Encourage cooperation with traditional leaders in reporting the follow of illegal arms in tri-states</li> </ul>	Government	States Govts.	Immediate

Below are the signatories to the above resolutions to be implemented

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