

## THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT (NDM)

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## **Press Release**

The National Democratic Movement (NDM) condemns in the strongest terms the on-going killing and maiming of innocent civilians in Wau town (Western Bahr el Ghazal), by the genocidal and dictatorial regime of Kiir and its affiliated militias. Today the government of South Sudan embarked on scotched-earth policy in Wau town, where its militia are going house to house searching and killing people hailing from other non-Dinka tribes residing in Wau.

It is to be recalled that last week similar targeting and murdering of innocent civilians mostly from the Acholi ethnic group occurred in the village of Pajok in Eastern Equatoria. These escalations of violence against civilians across South Sudan are consistent reminder that, the tribalistic and dictatorial regime of Kiir has commenced its policy of ethnic cleansing against other nationalities that are perceived to be resisting its policy of tribal hegemony in the country. Few months ago the United Nations adviser on the prevention of genocide Mr. Adam Dieng, made a chilling remark regarding the looming genocide in South Sudan, sadly its predictions are becoming a reality under Kiir's regime and his Jieng Council of Elders. While the regime talks loudly about its unpopular project of national dialogue, the same regime is now busy committing gross human rights violations and crimes against humanity.

The National Democratic Movement (NDM) calls upon the international community, particularly, TROIKA, IGAD and UNMISS to hold the government of South Sudan accountable for the killing of innocent civilians in Wau town and to issue condemnation against the atrocities committed by the regime. As the international community decry the killing of civilians in Syria, it is time for the international community to collectively put an end to the culture of impunity in

South Sudan. We also call on the United Nations Security Council, especially the United States of America as the penholder for South Sudan, to call for an urgent Security Council meeting regarding the unfolding genocide taking place now in South Sudan. Enough is enough and it is time for the United Nations to take punitive actions against the Juba regime.

Long live the struggle of our people
Long live South Sudan
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