

HIGH-LEVEL REVITALIZATION FORUM

SECURITY PROPOSALS

ARCSS CHAPTER II: PERMANENT CEASEFIRE, TRANSITIONAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS

Outstanding Issue 1: Demilitarization of Civilian Centres

1. PERMANENT CEASEFIRE

Article 1: New 1.11. (old 1.8)

The Parties agree to a Permanent Ceasefire and Transitional Security Arrangements (PCTSA) workshop in Addis Ababa convened by the CTSAMM, which should be completed within 14 days of the signing of this Agreement. Those nominated by the parties for the workshop shall among others:

Proposed language:

1.11.4. Identify sensitive population centers, infrastructure, locations and venues, and determine appropriate security measures for their protection.

Additional Text on PCTSA Workshop:

1.11.5. Where the Workshop fails to reach agreement on any issue, it may: defer further consideration of the matter, or refer the matter to the Joint Military Command (JMC) for further deliberation. Should the JMC fail to resolve the issue, it shall refer the matter to the Presidency for final determination.

1.11.6. After the JMC or the Presidency decides upon an issue, it shall advise the implementers, the JMEC and the CTSAMM accordingly.

Outstanding Issue 2: Cantonment of Forces

Article 2: SEPARATION, ASSEMBLY AND CANTONMENT

- 2.2. The warring parties agree to the cantonment of forces, in all areas of operations, with some exemptions. The principles, criteria and basic details of the exempted forces shall be agreed between the parties and adopted as part of the Agreement for implementation.
 - 2.2.1. The scope, modalities of cantonment and the remaining details of exempted units—in terms of names, locations and special rules governing the activities of those units—shall be discussed during the Permanent Ceasefire and Transitional Security Arrangements (PCTSA) workshop to be held in Addis Ababa, with the support of the CTSAMM, in accordance with Article 1 of this Chapter.
 - **2.2.2.** The outcomes of the PCTSA workshop shall inform the implementation of the Agreement, and shall build on any relevant agreed outcomes of the Previous PCTSA workshop.
 - 2.2.3. The outcomes of the workshop shall be submitted, expeditiously, to the JMC and the CTSAMM for further action. In the event that the workshop does not agree on any matter that is on its agenda, it shall refer the matter for decision to the JMC, for consideration and, if the JMC cannot resolve the matter within 14 days, it shall refer the matter to the Presidency with recommendations for a final decision.

Outstanding Issue 3: SECURITY OF JUBA DURING THE TRANSITION

Article 5: TRANSITIONAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS

5.6. While recognizing the need for appropriate arrangements to be made for the protection of all citizens, the Parties recognize the particular need for opposition leaders to participate in the Transition, for which they will require assurances

- regarding the provision of effective personal security arrangements, in particular to facilitate their return to Juba to assume their responsibilities.
- 5.7. Accordingly, the Parties shall endeavor to secure such protection through: (a) agreed third party arrangements; alongside, (b) joint special arrangements.

Third Party Protection Arrangements

- 5.8. The Parties hereby invite IGAD to urgently engage appropriate third parties, including the United Nations, the African Union and countries of the Region to explore viable options for the provision of security to ensure the safety and participation of Opposition Leaders in the Transition.
- 5.9. The TGoNU shall facilitate and cooperate fully with any third party security arrangement agreed by the Parties, including the arrangements secured through the efforts of the IGAD.

Joint Special Arrangements:

- 5.10. Within 30 days of signing this Agreement, the parties shall establish a Joint Transitional Security Committee (JTSC).
- 5.11. The JTSC shall be composed of no more than two representatives each from the Parties to this Agreement having competence in matters of security and protection.
- 5.12. In order to enhance mutual confidence, the head of the JTSC shall be nominated by the Opposition.
- 5.13. The Committee shall be responsible for the formation and training of Special Protection Units (SPUs), to provide protection for VIPs. It shall also recommend the criteria for the selection of personnel for the SPUs, the number and assignment of guards to VIPs, the list of VIPs, the scale of weapons and ammunition.
- 5.14. The JTSC shall hold its first preparatory meetings outside of South Sudan under the facilitation of IGAD with support from the Chief of Defense Forces of IGAD Member States and the participation of other third parties as appropriate.

5.15. During the PCSTA Workshop, the Parties will also review the operations of the Joint Operations Centre (JOC) with a view to revitalizing the JOC for purposes of enhancing its capacity to supervise and coordinate the special safety and security arrangements, particularly in Juba. In such an event, the JOC shall be composed of representatives of all the Parties, and shall involve JMEC, CTSAMM and UNMISS, and should report to the JMC. The JOC shall be supported by a well-resourced secretariat to enable it to carry out its functions.

Outstanding Issue 4: SECURITY SECTOR (REFORM/ESTABLISHMENT)

Article 6: STRATEGIC DEFENCE AND SECURITY REVIEW (SDSR)

- 6.3. The SDSR shall undertake a comprehensive assessment of the requirements of the armed forces within one hundred and twenty (120) days from the signing of this Agreement to inform the formulation of the country's Defense and Security policies that shall subsequently lead to the overall restructuring of the armed forces. The assessment and restructuring shall include the future command, function, size, composition and budget of South Sudan's national army and security forces, and DDR requirements.
- 6.4. The Board shall examine within one hundred and fifty (150) days of this Agreement, the military and non-military security challenges that affect the Republic of South Sudan (internally and externally), clarify the responsibilities of different bodies and agencies in responding to these security challenges including the management and oversight of the security sector forces; identify the mission, vision, specific role of the national army and security sector forces, and outline the programme and doctrine for its over unification, modernization and professionalization.

Outstanding Issue 5: TIMEFRAME FOR UNIFICATION OF FORCES AND APPROACH TO THE FORMATION OF ONE NATIONAL ARMY

Article 7: UNIFICATION OF FORCES

7.1. Upon signing of this Agreement, the Joint Military Command shall commence the process of the unification of their forces to form one national army. The process of unification shall be completed within 12 months of the commencement of the

- Transitional Period. The process shall be overseen, coordinated and monitored by the National Architecture described in Article 3 of this Chapter.
- 7.2. The parties pledge to implement the Phases identified in this Agreement in an expeditious manner aiming to complete the process of unification as quickly as possible in order to embark upon the other processes of security transition and having consideration for the costs associated with a lengthy exercise.

Phase 1:

- 7.3. The accelerated unification of pre-agreed joint forces (military and police) shall commence within 30 days of the signing of this agreement. The scope and modalities for this shall be discussed during the PCTSA workshop.
- 7.4. The following steps shall follow: (i) verification of disposition/location of forces; (ii) cantonment; (iii) registration of combatants, all to be completed within 90 days from the signing of Agreement.
- 7.5. Within 120 days of the signing of the Agreement, and prior to commencement of Phase II, the Strategic Defense and Security Review (SDSR) shall produce an Interim Report which will provide the Roadmap for unification.
- 7.6. Phases II, III and IV, during which the movement of forces out of cantonment; conduct of basic common joint training programs; and, logistical and other preparations will be completed in accordance with the Roadmap. Each Phase to be completed in not more than 90 days provided the total period does extend beyond 12 months from the signing of this Agreement. As soon a phase is completed the next one shall immediately commence.