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GUIDELINES FOR INTERNATIONAL AND EXTERNAL MEDIA COVERAGE OF H.E. THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN

The Office of the President of the Republic of South Sudan welcomes professional cooperation with regional and international media institutions covering presidential activities and state functions.

To maintain the dignity of the Presidency, protect national image, and ensure professional standards, all external media personnel are required to observe the following guidelines during filming and photography of His Excellency the President:

1. The President must not be filmed or photographed while eating, drinking, or during private moments.
2. Avoid capturing the President while walking unless officially approved for ceremonial, arrival, departure, or protocol footage.
3. No images or footage should show the President with eyes closed, mouth open, or in unflattering expressions.
4. Media personnel must avoid recording when clothing, microphones, jackets, ties, medals, or official attire are not properly arranged.
5. The President must remain the central focus of official state coverage unless protocol requires otherwise.
6. Avoid aggressive close-up shots, distorted camera angles, excessive zoom, or imagery that undermines the dignity of the office.
7. Photography and filming must respect diplomatic protocol, national symbols, and official state procedures.
8. No unauthorized filming inside restricted, classified, or security-sensitive areas.
9. Backgrounds must be checked carefully to avoid capturing confidential documents, security equipment, inappropriate objects, or unauthorized personnel.
10. Media teams are expected to maintain professionalism, discipline, and respect during all official engagements.

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11. Unauthorized live streaming, cellphone recordings, or unofficial broadcasting from restricted areas are prohibited.
12. All interviews, press interactions, and special recordings involving the President must receive prior approval from the Presidential Press Unit.
13. External media organizations are encouraged to coordinate closely with the Presidential Press Unit regarding camera positions, movement, timing, and access arrangements.
14. Official photos and video footage released by the Office of the President remain the authoritative reference material for state engagements.
15. The Office of the President reserves the right to review, restrict, or deny media access where professional standards or security requirements are not observed.

The Office of the President appreciates the continued cooperation of regional and international media partners in promoting accurate, respectful, and professional coverage of the Presidency and the Republic of South Sudan.