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Office of the Chairperson
SPLM (IO) National Committee for Information and Communication

Sub: Response to Recent Press Statement on the Revocation and Appointment of 47 SPLM-IO MPs

The SPLM/IO Interim Leadership has noted with concern the continued press statements being issued by a group calling itself "Political Bureau" under the chairmanship of Joseph Malwal. The latest statement sought to criticize the Presidential Decree on the revocation and appointment of a number of SPLM-IO Members of Parliament.

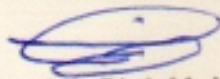
The Interim Leadership wishes to make it clear that the decisions taken were guided by the need to protect the implementation of the Revitalized Agreement on the Resolution of the Conflict in South Sudan (R-ARCSS) and to safeguard the functioning of the Revitalized Transitional Government of National Unity (R-TGoNU).

Our position remains firmly rooted in the peace agreement, especially Article 1.2.2, which calls for the restoration of lasting peace, security, and stability in the country, as well as Article 1.4.2, which encourages dialogue among parties whenever challenges arise.

At this critical moment, the SPLM/IO Interim Leadership calls upon all parties and stakeholders to place the interest of peace and stability above political disagreements. We also encourage media houses to report responsibly and in a manner that contributes to calm, national cohesion, and the successful implementation of the peace agreement.

This appeal comes at a time when several parts of the country continue to face insecurity and violence, particularly in Jonglei, Western, Central, and Eastern Equatoria States. The people of South Sudan expect all leaders and institutions to act responsibly and to support efforts aimed at preserving peace and stability.

The SPLM/IO Interim Leadership remains committed to dialogue, the implementation of the R-ARCSS, and the collective responsibility of moving the country forward.


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