

**Decisions  
of the  
Joint Political and Security Mechanism**

**Addis Ababa, 14 October 2015**

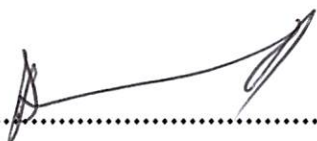
DECISIONS OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE JOINT  
POLITICAL AND SECURITY MECHANISM HELD IN ADDIS ABABA ON  
14 OCTOBER 2015

1. The Joint Political and Security Mechanism (JPSM) met in Addis Ababa in an extraordinary session under the facilitation of the African Union High-Level Implementation Panel for Sudan and South Sudan (AUHIP).
2. The meeting received a report from the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA) Force Commander on the status of the Safe Demilitarised Border Zone (SDBZ) and Joint Border Verification and Monitoring Mechanism (JBVMM).
3. In accordance with the Security Arrangements Agreement of September 2012, the meeting accepted the Map presented to the Parties by the African Union High-Level Implementation Panel in November 2011 relating to the SDBZ.
4. The Parties reiterated that the SDBZ and its centreline represent only the location of the separation line between the armed forces of the two States and do not have any bearing on the definitive and final location of the boundary.
5. The Parties agreed to activate all the mechanisms relating to the JPSM as provided for in relevant agreements, in particular the JBVMM in coordination with the UNISFA.
6. The meeting agreed that either Party may raise any concern relating to any point along the centreline, whereupon the JPSM will make a mutually agreed upon adjustment to address the concerns of that Party.
7. The centreline will not affect the current administrative arrangements obtaining in any area along the SDBZ.
8. The Parties deferred the discussion of the report of the UNISFA Force Commander to the next ordinary session of the JPSM.
9. The next ordinary meeting of the JPSM will take place on the 16 November 2015 in Khartoum.



10. The JPSM will submit a copy of its record of decisions to the AUHIP after each ordinary session.

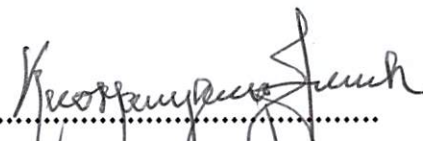
Done in Addis Ababa, this 14<sup>th</sup> Day of October, 2015:



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