



**CEASEFIRE TRANSITIONAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS MONITORING AND
VERIFICATION MECHANISM (CTSAMVM)
SIXTH MEETING
ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA
DECEMBER 18-19, 2018**

<u>DECISIONS</u>		
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>		
Chairman	Maj Gen Desta Abiche Ageno	CTSAMVM
Deputy Chairman	Maj Gen Tarig Abdelkarim Ibrahim	CTSAMVM
Representatives From the Parties	<u>Incumbent TGoNU</u> Maj Gen Rabi Mujung Emmanuel Maj Gen Akol Majok Nyigan Maj Gen John Daniel Kipa Maj Gen Thomas Gador Kic Wur Maj Gen Wuoi Mayom Deng Maj Gen Gatkuoth Duop Kuich <u>SSOA</u> Maj Gen David Nyang Kueth A/Cdr Ywodo John Otor Brig Gen Amos Amin Elia Lupe Brig Gen Peter Gatkuoth Thot Bakam	<u>SPLM/A-IO</u> Maj Gen Martin Gama Abucha Brig Gen William Deng Buom Brig Gen/Dr. Chuol Ruey Kompuok Brig Gen Andrea Mangu Adala Kumer Col Ezekiel How Kuol Gatluak Col Juma Jackson Lasu Lemi <u>FDs</u> Brig Gen Bior Leek Kuareng
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The Sixth meeting of the CTSAMVM was held on 18th December 2018 at the Elilly Hotel, Addis Ababa (D Day + 97/98 Days). All parties were represented as shown above.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Issue/Decision/Agreement</u>	<u>Action</u>
	<p>Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Opening Remarks including brief statements from parties b. Status of Implementation Decisions and Issues from CTSAMVM Meeting No. 5 c. Ceasefire Status d. Community Engagement f. Activities Overdue g. Any Other Business h. Next Meeting. <p>The Agenda was adopted as presented.</p> <p><u>Opening Statement</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed all members to the 6th CTSAMVM meeting in Addis Ababa, stating that for the first time we had an observer from the Netherlands Embassy and that we also had observers from JMEC and UNMISS. He thanked them for the support to CTSAMVM and said he looked forward to their contributions.</p> <p>He thanked the Party representatives who travelled to Juba to prepare the report at the second extraordinary CTSAMVM meeting adding that it represented a significant milestone and progress in the implementation of chapter 2 of the R-ARCSS.</p> <p>The Chairman stated that communication was ongoing with the TGoNU to overcome the challenges that party representatives have in travelling to Juba, for example, with their travel documents and visa applications.</p> <p>He noted that he met the Chief of Defense Forces SSPDF, NPTC Chairman, the Foreign Minister and Director General of National Security Service and they all assured him that TGoNU was fully committed to the implementation of R-ARCSS, and Party members were free to enter South Sudan. The NPTC Chairman, who is also the Presidential Security Advisor, promised that the TGoNU was to issue passports for Party representatives of R-ARCSS institutions in 2 days after the application was received. CTSAMVM will provide the NPTC a full list of CTSAMVM members from the Parties.</p> <p>He stated that he met with the Ambassadors of China, EU, UK, Norway, Germany, Netherlands, Qatar, Turkey, and other representatives of the international community and all of them assured their full support to CTSAMVM.</p> <p>The Chairman noted that there had been tough issues in the past three weeks; Horrible Sexual and Gender Based Violence reported and verified in Bentiu and that CTSAMVM had also received reports of conflicts, from different sources, especially in the Bentiu area as well as cases of unauthorized movement of troops, attacks on civilians and denial of access. He urged members to focus attention to these issues and then asked the senior representatives of the parties to make their comments.</p>	

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO stated that they were grateful to attend the 6th CTSAMVM meeting. He said it was an opportunity to evaluate how far the team has progressed. He noted that although they went to Juba for the RJMEC meeting, and hoped the security organs would have met, but it was unfortunate these bodies had not met and that many decisions that impact the work of CTSAMVM had not been made. He added that it was important to look into the decisions that had earlier been made and how to improve hereafter and ensure compliance. He reminded CTSAMVM that there were a number of outstanding issues regarding the deployment of National monitors and that this had left a gap in the work that is supposed to be done. He hoped that the members would seriously discuss and find amicable solutions to the outstanding issues. Looked forward to good deliberations.

The representative of the Former Detainees (FDs) Thanked the members and stated that their travel to Juba was with expectations that things had improved in the town, but unfortunately the challenges still exist. He highlighted the inconveniences they faced on arrival in Juba and also at the time of departure for Addis Ababa to attend this meeting. He said he did not see any reason why issuance of passports would take more than two days unless if there was another motive by the authorities. He expressed concern about the heavy security deployment in Juba contrary to what had earlier been communicated. He urged CTSAMVM and the International community to pressure TGoNU to completely lift the state of emergency or else they would not return to Juba for any other meeting. Regarding RJMEC meeting, he highlighted the communication of the chairman NPTC about the cantonment and wondered the criteria that was used in selecting these areas. He added that in his observation, the officers assigned on the technical team of NPTC were all from TGoNU and that CTSAMVM should take up the matter if all parties are to get equal representation. About the recruitment in Northern Bhar El Ghazal as was raised in the previous CTSAMVM meetings, he stated that the exercise was carried out by the former Div 3 Maj Gen Dau Aturjong, and that he had reliable information that the exercise was complete and the alleged force awaits a new commander.

The senior representative of SSOA stated that they were happy to be back in Addis for the 6th CTSAMVM meeting. He thanked CTSAMVM for the persistence and keeping track of what it is supposed to do as mandated by the R-ARCSS. He said their coming to Juba was a milestone since many of them had not been to Juab since 2013, and that it should be appreciated regardless of the inconveniences with Immigration. Regarding the challenges of the MVTs, he said he had urged the SSOA nominees to be patient and allow CTSAMVM to address the few challenges so that they can be deployed. He added that he was hopeful that this would be done soon. Regarding the status of the ceasefire and the reports that were raised, he confirmed that their forces clashed with SPLM/A-IO forces in Northern Mayom and that one SPLM/A-IO Maj Gen was captured and was in their custody. He said he was still trying to get details of what was happening on the ground and would update the meeting in due course.

The senior representative of TGoNU stated that he was happy to attend the meeting and thanked the observers for sparing time to attend this meeting. He said despite some challenges that they are aware of, CTSAMVM was doing a good job to ensure that the activities continue. He Commended CTSAMVM for the report to RJMEC and said he was expecting the Chairman to comment on the status of implementation especially since he had met with the CDF of TGoNU, but hoped he would say something about mechanisms like JDB, JMCC, among others and comment on the crisis CTSAMVM faces in detail as well as the cases of SGBV. He added that he

	<p>agreed with the 1st speaker regarding the MVTs. Regarding the inconveniences that happened to other representatives during their travel to Juba, he apologized and said TGoNU was committed to correcting the mistakes. He added that the issue of security was important because of the various reports of killings by unknown gunmen, saying the deployment was a normal measure to curb crime. He said this was not to harm anybody but for the safety of everyone living in Juba. He said there was no state of emergency in Juba or countrywide adding that even what had had been instituted in some areas where there was a tribal conflict, also expired. He said there have not been substantive discussions regarding cantonment and that the member who alleged otherwise should be able to explain the details. He urged CTSAMVM to share with the relevant bodies the concerns raised about the composition of NPTC so that all parties can be included. About recruitment in NBG, he said it was not the activity of SSPDF but an individual who was previously loyal to SPLM/A-IO but had gone rogue. He promised to have the matter investigated and encouraged members not to be defensive, but to listen to the facts and then pave a way forward.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked the parties for their candid contributions and stated that it was necessary for the TGoNU to pronounce itself on the issue of the state of emergency since it keeps coming up in almost all meetings. He said he had observed that political commitment exists among the leadership of TGoNU and was optimistic that the bureaucratic tendencies of some of the officers in areas like immigration can be resolved. He said other allegations will be looked at in detail in the course of the meeting and called on the secretariat to proceed. The Chief of Staff then asked the media to leave the room.</p>	
	<p><u>Approval of Minutes from CTSAMVM meeting No. 5</u></p> <p>The minutes of the fifth CTSAMVM meeting were deliberated, corrected, then approved. The secretariat was urged to distribute the minutes at least a week before the next meeting and the members submit their input three days before the meeting.</p>	
	<p>Status of Implementation Decisions</p> <p><u>Decisions from previous CTSAMVM meetings which are still open: ongoing issues.</u></p> <p>1. National Monitor Participation (ONGOING)</p> <p><i>CTSAMVM No.5 decided:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CTSAMVM to engage with UNMISS to permit National Monitor Access to bases. ▪ CTSAMVM to present a proposed benefit package for the National Monitors at the next CTSAMVM. <p><i>Updates:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Following meetings with UNMISS access for National Monitors was agreed. Therefore, accommodation and medical requirements will be met. ▪ The benefit package is still being developed and discussions are underway with donors to manage this cost. However, many of the donors insist that the National monitors should be paid by the government. CTSAMVM is trying to approach other potential donors outside of Juba. 	

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The senior representative of TGoNU thanked CTSAMVM Chairman for the update. Said all parties had expressed concern about the issue of National Monitors. He urged CTSAMVM to consider having uniform welfare and motivation package for all the MVTs without discrimination since their contributions are equally important in the implementation process. He noted that in his experience, IGAD recommends a uniform remuneration package for all monitors regardless of whether they were national, regional or International. He said it was the responsibility of CTSAMVM to convince the donors but noted that if there are challenges, CTSAMVM should arrange an appropriate package until the financial constraints are resolved.

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO appreciated UNMISS and CTSAMVM staff who have made sure the National Monitors are well taken care of. He said all members should recognize that there is an important task to be performed by the National Monitors and efforts must be undertaken to enable them work. He stated that all the national monitors are engaged fulltime to ensure that the peace agreement is implemented, and that it was only fair to consider a package to enable them survive during the course of their work since they have no other source of income. He noted that it was regrettable that TGoNU had not yet committed funds to the mechanism and that this should be made known to the donors. He urged CTSAMVM not to discriminate the national monitors because it may send a negative message. He added that CTSAMVM should ensure openness when discussing financial matters of the national monitors and make sure that everybody is treated equally in order to achieve the desired results. He further said that a wrong precedence was set as far back as 2014 and that IGAD should be held responsible to ensure that the mechanisms carry out their mandate.

The senior representative of SSOA thanked UNMISS for their consideration and said he had noticed that the composition of the restructured CTSAMVM seemed to create a division between the secretariat and members of the parties. He said they consider themselves as fulltime members of CTSAMVM and should therefore be engaged the same way as others. He also noted that the ID Cards given to them were insufficient and do not address the challenges they were meant to address. Regarding the package of the national monitors, he said CTSAMVM has the responsibility to secure funds for all the members.

He added that CTSAMVM needs to pay allowances for the national monitors during training as was promised and emphasized that any information to the national monitors should come from the leadership of CTSAMVM and the liaison officers should always be informed. Regarding deployment, he said the national monitors should be availed with an extra pair of uniform for purposes of hygiene. He concluded that by and large the leadership of CTSAMVM should make sure the issues of the donors do not divide the members or deter progress.

The chairman stated that he believed that the national monitors are an important part of the team and has always included them in all his engagements with other bodies or individuals in regard to the activities of implementation. He however urged members to focus on the issues raised and try to forge a way forward. He said from commencement of his duties, CTSAMVM has approached all possible areas for funding but the donors are not forthcoming. He added that CTSAMVM had presented to the donors explicitly the packages of the national monitors and the representatives of the parties a total of 71 but the donors said they were not convinced. He said the challenges stretch even to the International Observers who

have also not received payment. He noted that engagements would continue but the members need to be mindful of the challenges CTSAMVM is facing. He said in future, funds should be secured before mobilizing people and that he would ask IGAD should play their role.

The deputy Chairman stated that the international community had not committed any funds yet for the implementation of the whole agreement. He said CTSAMVM has always been aware of the challenges that exist and has tried to progress with the little resources available. He urged the national monitors to exercise patience as CTSAMVM tries to resolve the challenges.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- CTSAMVM shall continue engaging partners, donors and IGAD to find funds for all activities including the national monitors.
- That as soon as CTSAMVM finalizes with life and health insurance, food security and formalization of the relationship with National Monitors, deployment should commence by 28th Dec. 18.
- Parties take into consideration the funding challenges CTSAMVM is facing and brief their leadership accordingly.

2.Immediate freezing of forces (ONGOING)

CTSAMVM No.5 decided:

- The parties continue complying with the provisions of the agreement and provide notification to CTSAMVM of movements.

Updates:

- CTSAMVM continues to monitor and verify this requirement.
- There are multiple examples of confidence building events throughout the country.
- Implementation has generally been positive with the exception of deployments near Leer in November and December and Kawaji, approx 12 km from Bunj town, on 08 Dec 18, by SPLM/A-IO forces.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- The parties continue complying with the provisions of the agreement and provide notification to CTSAMVM of movements.
- CTSAMVM continues to monitor and verify this requirement.

3.Immediate disengagement of forces in close proximity (INCOMPLETE)

CTSAMVM No.5 decided:

- CTSAMVM requests JDB to provide an update regarding disengagement of forces.
- CTSAMVM will continue to monitor and verify the decisions and report back to CTSAMVM
- CTSAMVM should expedite efforts to develop a ceasefire master map and continue monitoring disengagement,

Updates:

- CTSAMVM have not received any output from the JDB, JTSC, JMCC or SDSRB.

The senior representative of TGoNU stated that after 5th CTSAMVM meeting, TGoNU communicated to operations department, and asked them to review and provide all the necessary information and that the officers in charge were putting together the information needed and it would be passed on so that it can be present in the next meeting.

The Chairman stated that in the meeting he had with the CDF of SSPDF, who is also the chairman of the JDB, CTSAMVM will attend the JDB meetings. He said there was no written report yet from JDB, JMCC and SDRB.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- **Parties will discuss the disengagement procedures in the next meeting.**
- **CTSAMVM will continue to monitor and verify disengagements.**

4. Ceasefire Map (ONGOING)

CTSAMVM No.5 decided:

- That Parties should give an update regarding the size of the force, GPS coordinates, contact numbers of the commanders on the ground.
- That CTSAMVM gives priority to the verification of the map and reports at the next CTSAMVM.
- CTSAMVM requests the JDB, JTSC, and JMCC to allow CTSAMVM observers in their meetings.

Updates:

- A revised version of the map is available.
- Verification is ongoing and is increasing in pace.
- CTSAMVM has been given observer status.



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Ceasefire Mapping as at 6 December 2018

Battalion Level and Above	Declared	Confirmed
SSPDF	144	105
SPLA-IO	282	53
SSOA	105	0

The senior representative of SSOA asked why there has been no verification of their forces even when they provided all the necessary information. He said he would provide a list of the priority areas. He said some locations were not accessible by road and urged CTSAMVM to consider other ways of verifying such locations.

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO stated that if the MVTs are not able to find locations, the liaison officers should be conducted immediately other than waiting for the CTSAMVM meetings.

The representative of the Former Detainees (FDs) stated that a lot of time is wasted on debating ideas on how to verify locations.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- CTSAMVM continues with verification of disposition of forces and give priority to SSOA positions.
- SSOA shall provide a list of 10 locations amongst its 105 declared locations to be verified urgently.
- The next CTSAMVM meeting will update on those locations where verification has not been possible.

5. Cease recruitment and training (ONGOING)

CTSAMVM No.5 decided:

- CTSAMVM continues to investigate the recruitment in Northern Bahr El Ghazal and reports back to the next CTSAMVM.
- CTSAMVM continues to monitor the integration activity in 4th Division.



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Updates:

- CTSAMVM conducted investigations and has not confirmed any recruitment in NBG.
- CTSAMVM is investigating alleged training in Tonj Warrap.
- From 04-08 Dec CTSAMM investigated the alleged forceful recruitment of Youth by SPLM/A-IOs, reported on 24 Nov 18, in Kuajena county of Wau. Findings indicate evidence of the limited enlistment of youth under the guise of apprehending IO deserters. This was under the watch of SPLM/A-IO Maj Gen Abdella Ujang.

The representative of the Former Detainees (FDs) Stated that the former 3rd Div. commander had orders to raise a 15000 strong force and he had already concluded the exercise. He added that the information he provides is to avoid future clashes or bloodshed and urged CTSAMVM to verify all information. He added that there were several youth in Juba, especially around the premises of CTSAMVM who have run away from this area because of the conscription going on in Tonj.

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO stated that he had information that needed to be recorded and verified. He reported that the governor of Tonj, Anthony Paul Madut, started recruiting youth and has established a training center at the Northeast of Makerdit Primary school. He added that the chiefs are involved and the training started on 21st of November 2018. He said that he also got confirmation from the sector 1 Ops commander during the JFV on Dec 11 18 that the information was passed on to Wau MVT. He then clarified that the information about training was given during the JFV to Bentiu by UNMISS; the CTSAMVM staff only confirmed the fact that he had passed the information to Wau MVT.

The senior representative of TGoNU stated that it would be better for CTSAMVM to desist from acting on merely verbal information as a matter of procedure. He added that CTSAMVM staff should also desist from sharing information with individuals other than through the proper channels. He further said he had no problem with parties raising allegations, but that any information of allegation should be followed by a written document to CTSAMVM.

The Chairman stated that it was not sufficient to identify the official training centers because training can take place anywhere and urged members to focus instead on identifying ongoing training activities.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- MVT Wau to meet Maj Gen Abdella Ujang and verify the issue of recruitment in the Baziya area.
- MVT Wau to verify training in North East of Makerdit primary school in Tonj area.

6. Parties will vacate all civil buildings, CTSAMVM will provide details of ongoing problems (ONGOING)

CTSAMVM No.5 decided:

- That the vacation of civilian buildings be conducted as a priority.

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- CTSAMVM will continue to verify and report to the CTSAMVM.

Updates:

- There are encouraging indications that action is in hand to vacate buildings in the 2nd Div SSPDF area.
- Reports from some MVTs that while buildings have been vacated soldiers have taken up positions in close proximity.
- Since the last CTSAMVM SPLM/IO vacated the market area in Mugwo-Yei following allegations of theft. No other observations of vacation.

Occupation of Civilian buildings

MVT Malakal

LOCATION	OCCUPIED BUILDING (School, Dispensary, etc.)	PARTY OCCUPYING BUILDING	PLANS TO VACATE (If any)
Tonga	Primary School	SPLM/A-IO	Awaiting Orders from Higher HQ
Panyikang	Primary & Secondary School	SPLM/A-IO	Awaiting Orders from Higher HQ
Obai	Basic School	SPLM/A-IO	Awaiting Orders from Higher HQ
Panyidwai	Health Centre and School	SPLM/A-IO	Awaiting Orders from Higher HQ
Anakdiar	Basic School and village	SPLM/A-IO	Awaiting Orders from Higher HQ
Dhothim	Basic School and Health Centre	SPLM/A-IO	Awaiting Orders from Higher HQ
Lelo	Village and School	SPLM/A-IO	Awaiting Orders from Higher HQ
Wau	Basic School	SSPDF 2 nd Division	In process of vacating premises
Malakal Town	School, Ayat Company, Market, Bus Station, Anakdiar Station	SSPDF 2 nd Division	In process of vacating premises.
Lul	Catholic Church	SSPDF 2 nd Division	In process of vacating premises.
Kodok	School, Catholic Church	SSPDF 2 nd Division	In process of vacating premises.
Kaka	School	SSPDF 1 st Division	In process of vacating premises.
Wadakona	School and Veterinary Services Dept.	SSPDF 1 st Division	In process of vacating premises.

MVT Torit

LOCATION	OCCUPIED BUILDINGS	PARTY OCCUPYING BUILDING
Nimule	4 Residential Areas	SSPDF
Agali (Mugali)	Residential Area	SSPDF
Loa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Office buildings at River Aca - Residential Area - Primary School - Privately-Owned Building - Loa Trading Center 	SSPDF
Pageri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pageri Trading Centre - Residence at Pageri Centre - Residential Area 	SSPDF
Kerepi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shops, stores & private houses - Kerepi Trading Centre - 2 Residential Areas 	SSPDF
Moli Tokuro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Au Efuni Residential Area - School - 2 Residential & Trading Centres - Kit Trading Centre - Payam Buildings 	SSPDF
Kiala	Businessman's Store/Compound	SSPDF, BN 123, BDE 3, DIV 7

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MVT Juba

LOCATION	OCCUPIED BUILDINGS	PARTY OCCUPYING BUILDING	PLANS TO VACATE, IF ANY
Guelguk	Clinic and School	SSPDF – a Company of 18 th Brigade	Deputy Governor Maiwut Hassan is negotiating with SSPDF
Gudeke	St. Andrew's Church Compound		
Nyamini	Primary School Coordinate		

MVT Wau

LOCATION	OCCUPIED BUILDINGS	PARTY OCCUPYING BUILDING	PLANS TO VACATE, IF ANY
Taban	School	SSPDF	Governor directed with WEF 23 Nov 2018, SSPDF had to vacate all civilian-occupied institutions.
Mboro	School and Clinic	SSPDF	MVT has not been to Mboro of late.
Wadhalelo	School and Clinic	SSPDF	MVT last report was 11 November 2018
Bringi	School	SSPDF	

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO stated that as far as SPLM/A-IO is concerned all the buildings occupied, will be vacated immediately.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- Parties are urged to immediately comply with the provision of the agreement to vacate civilian buildings.
- CTSAMVM will continue to monitor and report back in the next meeting.

7. CTSAMVM will facilitate better relations among Party representatives and commanders in Yei, Wau, and Bentiu (ONGOING)

CTSAMVM No.5 decided:

- That due to the differences among SSOA representatives to the CTSAMVM regarding the National Monitor nominee for Torit, the CTSAMVM requests the leadership of SSOA to resolve the issue and report back at the next CTSAMVM.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- CTSAMVM awaits the decision or clarification from the SSOA leadership regarding the issue of the Torit MVT nominee.

Allegations from 4th CTSAMVM

8. Clashes in Mir Mir Oct 18.

CTSAMVM No.5 decided:

- That a JFV be arranged to Bentiu, Communication should be sent to

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	<p>commanders in the area to avoid further clashes.</p> <p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ JFV took place on 6 Dec 2018. ▪ JFV was not able to visit Mir Mir. ▪ SPLM/A-IO field commanders did not participate in the JFV. <p>Decisions:</p> <p><i>The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ That a second JFV be conducted to Bentiu and Mir Mir in January to complete the investigation. ▪ That consideration be given to extending the time on ground during JFVs to 2 days. <p>9. The issue of Detainees</p> <p>Decisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ That ICRC be allowed to handle the issue of release of PoWs and detainees and the CTSAMVM awaits their feedback in the next meeting. <p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SPLM/A-IO continue to hold 4 SSOA/FD detainees in Mandeng. <p>The senior representative of SSOA stated that ICRC visited and it was agreed that the detainees be taken to the UNMISS camp in Nasir. That SSOA wrote to UNMISS and the feedback was that the option was to transfer them to Malakal since there was no POC in Nasir. He said they had no problem having their detainees transferred to Juba.</p> <p>The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO stated that the detainees were released but were only awaiting a decision of ICRC to take them to a suitable place other than Kuotkea.</p> <p>The representative of FDs stated that this process should take into consideration the opinions of the detainees themselves as well.</p> <p>Decisions:</p> <p><i>The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urge SSOA to request ICRC to facilitate the release and transportation of the SSOA detainees from SPLM/A-IO in Mandeng to Juba. • SSOA shall notify all the concerned parties accordingly. 	
3	<p><u>Conflict in the Wau Area</u></p> <p>CTSAMVM No 5 decided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ That any planned field visits should cover areas controlled by both government and opposition. ▪ That at every visit the teams should carry copies of the R-ARCCS to be distributed to the field commanders. <p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CTSAMVM planned the JFV to Bentiu to cover positions controlled by both parties this did not occur. ▪ The JFV to Bentiu took the media as recommended by the previous JFV. 	

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Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

Matter closed.

Clashes and Abduction of Civilians in the Yei Area

Decisions from CTSAMVM No.5

- That SSOA and SPLM/SPLA-IO provide available information to CTSAMVM regarding these elements.

Updates:

- CTSAMVM has nothing further to report.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

Matter is closed

Continuing denial of access to CTSAMVM teams

Decisions from CTSAMVM No.5

- CTSAMVM requests SSPDF HQ to take action concerning the denial of access by the Division 7 check-point between Magwi and Torit and report back by the next CTSAMVM.

Updates:

- CTSAMVM notices major improvements on the reception accorded by Parties in the verifications task.
- MVT Torit visited 7 Div Comd on 10 Dec to explain the need to allow CTSAMVM proceed to Kapoeta. Comd 7 Div stated he had not yet received orders for forces to be verified. After explaining the verification process and showing a copy of Blanket Authorization as per CTSAMVM mandate the MVT was allowed to proceed.
- There continue to be unwarranted delays to verification in the 4th Division SSPDF area.
- MVT Wau was informed on 17 Dec by Comd 5th Division SSPDF that he has not received instructions concerning verification of forces.

The senior representative of TGoNU stated that CTSAMVM had earlier reported improvement in the response of the Div 5 commander and he had even briefed the CDF about this but the CDF had a different opinion about the reports against Div 5 commander. He noted that the 4th division commander is accessible in Juba. He added that the CDF briefed all senior officers at the SSPDF HQ and urged them to comply and there was no excuse whatsoever for a commander to claim he was not informed. They requested to be allowed time to meet the CDF discuss the matter and report back at the next meeting.

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO Stated that the SSPDF commanders are seemingly happy with any other issues except those regarding compliance with the provisions of the agreement and action needs to be taken since the same commanders have always featured in the previous meetings. He urged the members to



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immediately not sugarcoat or try to cover-up reminding members about the reaction of members of RJMEC in their 2nd meeting in Juba.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

That the SSPDF HQ should take action regarding the continued denial of access to CTSAMVM by Div 4 and Div 5 and report back at the next meeting.

Dissemination of the Agreement

Decisions from CTSAMVM No.5

- The SSPDF, SPLM/A-IO headquarters and SSOA leadership are requested to focus on developing plans for dissemination using all means and methods through their respective chains of command.

Updates:

- CTSAMVM reports that dissemination of the R-ARCSS both to the communities and forces is variable. For example MVT Leer on 10 Dec 18, conducted an SDP to Padeah & met several SPLM/A-IO local leaders & the Mil Comds, who expressed disappointment on their representatives who attend awareness seminars at various levels and fail come to the field to disseminate details.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- **The SSPDF, SPLM/A-IO headquarters and SSOA leadership are requested to focus on developing plans for dissemination using all means and methods through their respective chains of command.**

Child Soldiers in Yambio and Payak

Decisions from CTSAMVM No.5

- That the SPLM/A-IO leadership investigates this matter, take appropriate action to demobilise child soldiers, in accordance with the agreement, if allegations are verified and report back at the next CTSAMVM.
- CTSAMVM will follow up on this matter and report back at the next CTSAMVM

Updates:

- CTSAMVM has instructed Sectors and MVTs to treat any reports of the use of child soldiers as a priority.
- Confirmation from Sector 1 of 45 Child Soldiers in the ranks of Maj Gen James Nando forces. (SPLM/A-IO)
- Update is awaited on status of 91 child soldiers in Bentiu area. (SSPDF)



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The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO stated that SPLM/A-IO made contact with the commander in the field who said they do not have child soldiers within their ranks but acknowledged that the children within their camps are orphans who have nowhere else to go. He noted that if there are any organizations that can take care of them, SPLM/A-IO are more than ready to hand them over to the relevant institutions.

The senior representative of TGoNU stated that demobilization of the 91 child soldiers in Div 4 was to be conducted and that the MVT would be invited but to date there has been no new information.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- **CTSAMVM conducts verification of demobilization in Bentiu and Yambio areas.**

Sexual and Gender Based Violations

Decisions from CTSAMVM No 5 Concerning the abduction of 4 women:

- That the SPLM/A-IO give a report about the actions taken to address the specific SGBV incidents referenced in CTSAMVM 4 at the next CTSAMVM.
- That all parties ensure that action is taken against any of their personnel accused of any form of SGBV.
- That all parties ensure that survivors of rape are given access to justice mechanisms and receive the justice and support they need.

Updates:

- Parties requested to update CTSAMVM on the violation response.
- Large scale SGBV in Bentiu covered later as a violation report.

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO stated that they do not have access to the perpetrators and therefore cannot report.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- **Parties must honour their commitments to take action against perpetrators of SGBV and provide support to survivors.**

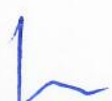
Inconsistency with Implementation Matrix

Update

It is not within the mandate of CTSAMVM to address the political level issue pertinent to Provision 2.4.6 in the RARCSS. Where relevant CTSAMVM will engage IGAD and RJMEC to seek clarification.



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Humanitarian Access

Decisions from CTSAMVM No 5.

- That parties to continue to honour their commitments to allow Humanitarian access.

Recommendations:

Parties continue to honour their commitments.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- Parties continue to honour their commitments.

Allegations presented at the 5th CTSAMVM

1. Wundukeri Attack 15 November on SPLM/A-IO
2. Lobonok Ambush 19 Nov 2018
3. Kpongo Killing 23 Nov
4. Abduction at Rupchak

Decisions from CTSAMVM No.5

- That CTSAMVM carries out investigations into the allegations and reports back at the next CTSAMVM.
- That the JFV to Bentiu should inquire and report on allegation No 4.

1. **Wundukeri Attack.** 15 November 2018: CTSAMVM received an allegation from SPLA-IO that on 15 Oct SPLM/A-IO 2B Division were attacked by unknown forces in Wundukeri and SPLM/A-IO forces managed to repulse the attackers. During the attack, SPLM/A-IO lost 02 Soldiers and 03 were injured. SPLM/A-IO calls upon CTSAMVM to investigate this attack on SPLM/A-IO forces.

Update

- The fighting started as a result of attacks perpetrated by NAS/SSNMC forces on SPLM/A-IO in Kenyira with a spill-over effect on Wundokori where the main fighting took place.
- The movement of NAS/SSNMC forces to attack SPLM/A-IO at Kenyira is a hostile military action.
- The pursuit of NAS/SSNMC forces by SPLM/A-IO into Wundokori is also hostile military action.
- Both SPLM/A-IO and NAS/SSNMC carried out hostile military actions contrary to Article 3.2(a) of ACOH of 21 December 2017.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- CTSAMVM identify channels for reporting violations to NAS
- Sustained efforts are made to build peace and stability in the area.

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2. **Lobonok Ambush.** 19 November 2018: CTSAMVM received a Press Release from Col. Lam Paul Gabriel, SPLM/A-IO Deputy Military Spokesperson, alleging that on 18 Nov 18, elements of NAS TC in Lobonok ambushed the Commissioner of Lobonok's leading to civilian injuries.

Update:

- MVT Juba conducted an investigation, while it is likely that the commissioner's vehicles were attacked it was not possible to confirm civilian injuries nor was it possible to ascertain which entity conducted an ambush.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- **The incident is closed.**

3. **Kpongo Killing.** On 23 November 2018: MVT Wau received an allegation from Comd 5 Div SSPDF that on 15 Nov 2 SSPDF soldiers were killed while hunting 100 kms West of Wau near Kpongo. Perpetrators reported to be from Lt Gen Khamis forces.

Update:

- MVT has no new information on the case as the planned LDP that had been projected to take place between 04-06 to DEIM ZUBEIR-RAJA was not possible due to UNMISS being unable to conduct clearance of the WAU-RAJA route. LDP to be rescheduled.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- **CTSAMVM provide an update at the next meeting.**

4. **Abduction at Rupchak.** 25 November 2018: MVT Leer. Disappearance of two SSPDF soldiers suspected to have been abducted by SPLM/A-IO. The Bde 4 commander (SPLM/A-IO) denied knowledge of the two but promised to make some follow up with his sub-units. The MVT further met with SSPDF intel officer who reports the latest information indicates the soldiers are suspected to be held by SPLM/A-IO in RUPCHAK, border with Mayandit. The SPLM/A-IO Division 4B [Gen Samuel] had received the information about the missing soldiers and said that he sent out messages to all of his units to cooperate when they receive the soldiers and inform SSPDF in Leer.

Update:

- This allegation was to have been discussed during the JFV to Unity on 6 Dec and CTSAMVM has no new information.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- A second JFV is conducted to Bentiu/Leer area to follow up on this amongst other items.

Ceasefire Status

New Allegations

CTSAMVM has received 07 allegations since the 5th CTSAMVM meeting.

1. Widespread SGBV in Bentiu area during November 2018.
2. SPLM/A-IO attacked SSPDF position in Bil Payam on 4 Dec 2018.
3. Sustained fighting between SSPDF and SPLM/A-IO 10-12 December at Rubkuay and Rubnor.
4. That on 8 Dec SSPDF conducted an attack on a civilian village at Tadu and then on SPLM/A-IO positions at Kar Uso, Greater Baggari.
5. That on 19 November SPLM/A-IO conducted unauthorized movement of forces to Ketbeck-Nasir.
6. That on 8 Dec NAS forces destroyed the bridge at Tore on the Yei-Maridi road. SSPDF subsequently conducted offensive operations on 16 Dec 2018 against NAS.
7. Clashes at Kaikang 1 North of Unity State on 12 Dec between SPLM/A-IO and SSUM/SSUAF resulting in civilian casualties.

1. SEXUAL GENDER BASED VIOLENCE IN BENTIU

Survivors and Witness statements as interviewed by the CTSAMVM

- Three Women were interviewed along Nhialdiu and Bentiu road, they were on the way to Bentiu to collect WFP food rations
- They all confirmed the presence of armed and face covered “criminals” who subject Women and Girls to SGBV daily.
- They stressed the risk of using the main road and the fear of accessing short cuts.
- One of the Elderly Women in the group, was attacked and robbed on gun point in November. She was robbed of all her possessions including Shoes and Milk that she was carrying to Bentiu market.
- A group of 7 (including 5 young Girls and 2 Middle aged Women were interviewed on the same road, carrying food from Bentiu WFP distribution point.
- They confirmed the presence of the armed and face covered “criminals” who subject Women and Girls to SGBV along the roads.
- On the 5 December 2018, they were shocked and in great fear for their lives when they witnessed armed and face covered “criminals” raping a breast feeding mother and daughter.
- Two young survivors (Women) were abducted, gang rapped, physically assaulted and robbed of their possessions – cellphones, money, food stuffs by the armed, face covered “criminals” along the same road (November).
- One of the survivors who was interviewed presented with trauma symptoms and complained of physical pains.

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- The survivor believes the dubbed “criminals” are armed Youth known by communities

Information from reliable sources

- The Deputy Governor confirmed the prevalence of SGBV in the state.
- Pointed out the challenge of Armed Youth linked to SPLA-IO and SSPDF in Bentiu.
- Shared about two cases of SGBV that occurred in Bentiu and perpetrators were armed and uniformed Youth.
- Believes the two parties would bring the challenge of the Armed Youth and the related SGBV to an end.
- Commissioner at Rubkona confirmed the presence of the Armed and face covered “criminals” in the communities
- 27 November 2018 received a report in which women were raped along the Bentiu and Nhialdiu road and moved to Bentiu for treatment.
- 03 Women and 02 Girls were raped along Nhialdiu and Bentiu Road by armed and face covered “criminals” received assistance from MSF Health facility.
- 2 Dec 2018 rape occurred on the same road.
- 7 December 2018, 3 Women were raped along the Guit and Bentiu road by armed and face covered “criminals” – (Human Rights Watch).
- The week of 19 November 2018, two women reported a gang rape by 4 armed and face covered “criminals” on their way to collect food from Bentiu WFP Distribution point (same road)
- On the 27 November 2018, three women were gang raped and physically abused by 5 armed and face covered “criminals”
- Similar gang rapes were confirmed by Bentiu Hospital and Code 8 Health facilities – 3-4 Survivors accessed their services.
- 4 Women were gang raped on the 25 November 2018, by armed and face covered “criminals” and reported to Non-Violence Peace Force for assistance – were then referred to MSF facilities for assistance. Attacked while collecting firewood.
- In August 4 Women were gang raped by armed and face covered “criminals” – (collecting firewood) near Bentui town and 5 December 2018, 5 women were gang raped in Palanay along Bentiu and Nhaildiu road (reported cases to the Chief in town).
- Women in the market – confirmed and condemned SGBV subjected to Women and Girls by armed and covered “criminals” in communities

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO stated that it was a very unfortunate situation and it would be wrong to deny and as parties something needs to be done to put a stop to the vice. He said it would be better to have specifics so that the perpetrators can be held accountable. He also noted that SPLM/A-IO does not control Bentiu and therefore is not able to investigate the incidences.

The representative of the Former Detainees (FDs) expressed dismay at the horrific incidences but noted that there is a possibility that this could be a deliberate move to discredit each other. He advised that all the responsible parties meet and find a solution to the vice. He cautioned the TGoNU representative against using language that may justify government deployment in areas controlled by other parties, but work towards tangible solutions.

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The senior representative of TGoNU thanked CTSAMVM for the information about the horrific SGBV in Bentiu. He condemned the incidences but asked the following:

1. How and when CTSAMVM received the information because prior to this there was no report on this.
2. What was the composition of the team that went to investigate; whether it included national monitors
3. How many victims are in the report?
4. Did the team visit any of the police stations to find out if any criminal offences were registered.
5. What is the reaction of the civil population? He noted that if all this has happened, the effect is not only on the women, but also the men.

The senior representative of SSOA acknowledged the sensitivity of incidences of SGBV and brought the attention of members to the earlier discussions about the same topic in RJMEC and other mechanisms especially regarding the staggering numbers. He urged the parties responsible to try and investigate not only the reported incidences but also why there is a sudden surge in the vice.

SSOA member stated that the parties should not argue as to whether the violence happened or not, the facts are there. He said the deputy governor, during the JFV, confirmed the arrest of two of the perpetrators. He urged the parties to jointly deploy forces to resolve the issue. He noted that during the JFV, they were not able to meet the representative of SPLM/A-IO and hoped a solution can be reached.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- **The parties work together to exert control over armed groups in the Bentiu area and provide security to women and girls in the Bentiu area.**
- **The parties hold to account those who have committed or permitted SGBV in Bentiu area.**
- **The parties demonstrate a greater commitment to eradicating all forms of SGBV in South Sudan.**
- **CTSAMVM officially writes to the responsible bodies like JDB and JMCC so that they take appropriate action.**
- **Investigations be carried out in all parties controlled areas but not in isolation and information should be extracted from credible sources only.**
- **Progress to be reported at the 7th CTSAMVM meeting.**

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Fighting and unauthorized movement of forces Bentiu/Leer

Date	Incident	Assessment	MVT
15 Nov, 19 Nov, 4 Dec	Establishment of new SPLM/A-IO Positions	Observed by MVT	Leer
30 Nov	Attack on SSPDF in Rubkuay	Triggered by cattle raiding Koch	Leer
9 Dec	Attack on SSPDF near Rubkuay on the road from Leer to Mir-Mir		Leer
11 Dec	Attack on SSPDF near Rubkuay market		Leer
11/12 Dec	SPDF attack on SPLM/A-IO Rubnor with armoured vehicles	Allegation from SPLM/A-IO	Leer

Date	Incident	Assessment	MVT
2/4 Dec	Fighting near Bil Payam 14 Dead	Counter accusations from SSPDF and SPLM/A-IO over a contested area	Bentiu

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO Stated that this area has been volatile for a long time and therefore, it is important to have a Joint field visit for a minimum of two days to enable a wider coverage.

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- Parties freeze forces to reduce tensions.
- The Allegations be discussed and solutions developed as part of the JFV to Bentiu/Leer area.
- CTSAMVM conduct joint planning for the JFV

Attacks on Tadu Village and Kar Uso (Greater Baggari)

Date	Incident	Assessment	MVT
7 Dec	Reported SSPDF attack on civilian village in areas of Tadu -SPLA-IO area 0900 hrs and attack on SPLA-IO position at KAR USO around 1400 hrs.	Patrol planned for 18 Dec.	Wau

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Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- CTSAMVM reports on the investigation at the next meeting.

Fighting between SSPDF and NAS Yei-Maridi Road

Date	Incident	Assessment	MVT
7 Dec	Tore Bridge Destroyed by NAS	Violation confirmed by Sector 1. Denial off access to MVT and HA confirmed	Sector 1
16 Dec	SSPDF conducted offensive operations against NAS along the Yei-Maridi road	Under investigation.	Sector 1

Decisions:

The 6th CTSAMVM meeting decided:

- CTSAMVM request the IGAD special envoy to continue engagements with Gen. Thomas Cirillo to bring an end to the incursions.
- The violations conducted by NAS loyal to Gen. Thomas Cirillo are reported through appropriate channels.
- CTSAMVM reports on the offensive operations investigation at the next meeting.
- Sustained efforts are made to build peace and stability in the area.
- Request IGAD CoM to engage with IGAD member states to restrict movement of armed non-signatories to the R-ARCSS in their territories if they continue to commit violations.

More Allegations

That on 19 November SPLM/A-IO conducted unauthorized movement of forces to Ketbeck-Nasir.

Clashes at Kaikang 1 North of Unity State on 12 Dec between SPLM/A- IO and SSUM/SSUAF resulting in civilian casualties.

Recommendation:

- That CTSAMVM carries out investigations into the allegations and reports back at the next CTSAMVM meeting.

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5	<p><u>Community Engagement – Feedback from the citizens</u></p> <p>A Total of 6560 mobilized citizens and Peace Agreements distributives by CTSAMVM teams of Community Mobilizers in whole country.</p> <p>Locations visited: <i>In Juba metropolitan area:</i> Whiteka Peace Institute, Women Group Muniki, Dallington Winsdom, Chinese Friendship, Jebel Yisu, Rimediated University, St. Thomas School, Atabara Community, Juba Railway Station, Don Bosco School, Katoro Community, Tongo Ping Community, Mahadi IDP, IDP Cam Juba WAY station, Uninvestity of Juba, Staford University, Gudelel residence, Bigben secondary School, Jon Dou community, Chinse primary School, Nyakron West, Nyakron health center, Mauna Police Station, Juba Hospital, Boluko Poilice Station, Women Members of Parliament, at Land Mark Hotel.300 Students from Juba Vocational Institute, Buluk.Teachers from St Theresa Kator. Students of Remedial University. Police Officers from Gudele two Police Station. Leaders from Mahad IDP Camp. Youth leaders from Thong ping.Community and Traditional leaders from IDP Juba Way Station. Teachers and pupils from St Peters Primary School. A total 5960 of citizens mobilized in Juba</p> <p><i>In the field:</i> Kajokeji, Torit, Panyume, Onduruba, Leer, for a total of 600 citizens.</p> <p>Positive response regarding SGBV and other Human rights violations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Munuki and Gudele: it is referred by the communities that the SGBV including rape and harassment by soldiers, have considerably decreased since additional security forces are patrolling the areas • In Gumbo community it was reported that 3 women were sexually abused by armed forces in uniform, coming from Bome next to Raja Payam, inside the TV compound. Juba MVT has been notified <p>Request from the citizens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The community of Gudele and Munuki together with the survivors' assistance institutions commend security forces for the achieved safety and wish it to continue • The Gumbo community request immediate actions from the security forces to put an end to the ongoing harassment <p>Challenges:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denied access of the members of the press to report about the workshop by the SPLA/IO • Turn-up of participants 100% more than planned, hence constrained by resources • Peace Agreement books in English version, yet people were speaking many dialects <p>Workshop in Panyume Civil Affairs conducted a Community Engagement Workshop on the 27 Nov 2018 for the SPLA-IO at Panyume in Yei AOR. The Workshop was attended by over 219 participants that included:</p>	







The Governor Yei River State SPLA-IO, H.E. Sam Mawa Milton (Chief Guest), Hon. Ministers, Hon. Senators, Generals, Senior Military Officers, Lord Bishops and the Clergy, Chiefs and Elders, Police Officers, Women and Youth Representatives among others.

Questions from Citizens:

- Why is women participation in the peace Agreement low?
- Why are all National Monitors all men?
- There are ongoing gross Human Right Violations like rapes. What is CTSAMVM doing to ensure that perpetrators are persecuted?
- Since the insurgency broke up, many citizens have lost their lives and property. Who will compensate for all this?
- Why are some POWs and detainees still under captivity yet the Revitalized Agreement clearly orders their immediate release?
- How will this Revitalized Peace Agreement be respected when some opposition parties (including Cirillo and Malong) did not sign it?
- When is the opposition coming to Juba to start the implementation of the signed peace?
- Citizens have peace among themselves but the leaders do not. What will be done to instill peace in them?
- Many homeless children moving in the streets of Juba without support from NGOs and Gov't hence being recruited to go and participate in the war. What will CTSAMM do about the protection such children?

The senior representative of TGoNU thanked the presenter but raised a concern about the method used to mobilize particularly in Juba. And also whether there are efforts to answer the questions that are raised. He suggested that in the process of engagement, the team should carry along liaison officers to help answer some of the questions immediately. He added that TGoNU has representation in various mechanisms.

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO stated that he is always encouraged by the effort to engage the public but asked for clarification on the method used to gather information. He also wanted to know what happened in the event that questions asked are not within the mandate of CTSAMVM. He finally urged CTSAMVM to channel these questions to other mechanisms or institutions responsible.

The representative of the Former Detainees (FDs) Thanked the presenter for the effort made to reach out to the community within Juba. He asked for clarification regarding the terms used to refer to children in future.

The Civil Affairs Advisor clarified the methodology and said CTSAMVM attempts to refer all questions to the relevant institutions, then give feedback in the subsequent visits.

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	<p><u>Activities Due in the Next 2 Weeks, through D + 76 Days (per the Implementation Matrix)</u></p> <p>CTSAMVM presented only as a reminder in terms of forward planning that the following tasks are due within the next two weeks:</p> <p>Article 2.1.7 Ensuring the departure of all non-South Sudanese armed groups from the territory of South Sudan.</p> <p>Article 2.2.3.2 Collection of long and medium range heavy weapons.</p> <p>Article 2.2.3.3 Cantonment of all forces, Supervision by monitoring bodies.</p> <p>Article 2.2.3.5 Screening for recruitment into army, police, national security, other services and demobilisation.</p> <p><u>D+97 Days:</u></p> <p>Article 2.2.9 Commencement of joint training of the necessary unified forces of the military, police and other security services.</p>	
8	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>1. Security and safety incident in MVT Juba</p> <p>A CTSAMVM Monitoring and Verification Team(MVT) consisting of three international observers and one driver including Col. Mohamad Fadhul (Team Leader) Col. Adina, Maj. Chemjor were restricted from accessing the Luri Training Center and detained at a building before the training center for more than 4 hours. At this point, the soldiers at the checkpoint seemed to be in compliance with the blanket authorization and allowed the MVT to continue inside the training area. The misconduct described above occurred within the camp by higher ranking personnel. During detention, the MVT members were physically assaulted, blindfolded and handcuffed, kicked, and stripped of their clothing. The three male members of the team were stripped down to their underwear and the female member forced to remove all her clothing and remained completely naked. The perpetrators of this grave assault – a total of approximately 10 men, some of whom were in military uniforms – robbed team members of their money and items such as a silver wedding ring and threatened to kill the team driver for having taken the team to the Luri training facility</p> <p>After 4 hours of this physical abuse and threats to the CTSAMVM members, a man identifying himself as a brigadier general with the TGoNU's National Security Service (NSS) told the CTSAMVM members that the area belonged to NSS. He also said that since Dr. Riak was training his forces, why shouldn't the SSPDF train its forces too.</p> <p>This incident is a flagrant and grave violation of the two cessation/peace- agreements signed by the parties to the internal armed conflict in South Sudan on 21 December 2017 (the ACOH) and on 12 September 2018 (the R-ARCSS).</p> <p>The grave nature of this misconduct impacts negatively upon CTSAMVM operations</p>	

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and upon the peace process itself. The incident brings into serious question both the safety and security of members of the CTSAMVM monitoring and verification teams and the commitment of the TGoNU to ensure its personnel understand and respect the requirements of the agreements. Moreover, the criminal nature of this event places into serious question the feasibility of holding important meetings of the various transitional security mechanisms mandated by the R-ARCSS in Juba. If members of a CTSAMVM international-observer monitoring team can be treated with such disrespect and violence at a training facility in Luri, how can representatives of Opposition Parties be advised that their own safety and security in Juba is assured.

It is important to underscore that the CTSAMVM officials who are victims of this assault include a Colonel with the Sudanese Armed Forces, a female Colonel with the Ethiopian Army, and Major with the Kenyan Armed Forces, representatives of IGAD States which continue to contribute significantly to the South Sudanese peace process with their resources, to include funds and personnel.

The senior representative of SSOA stated that it was unfortunate and disturbing that such incidences can happen at this time. He urged CTSAMVM to make use of the national monitors. That the input of the national monitors in averting such incidences should not be ignored. He said such an incident would not have happened if the team was comprised of national monitors.

He urged CTSAMVM to always have a senior officer from the parties when verification tasks are carried out.

The representative of the Former Detainees (FDs) stated that it was very sad and regrettable for such an incidence to occur. He noted that what had all along raised about the behavior of TGoNU forces, recruitment and training had finally been confirmed. He wondered which other areas have training going on if it can happen in Juba. He said they are committed to end the war but said this confirmed the low level of dissemination of the agreement within the forces.

The senior representative of SPLM/A-IO stated that it was regrettable and sad that this was happening especially after spending a lot of time discussing the issue of denial of access to CTSAMVM. He urged parties not to deny anything that has happened but take the matter seriously. He said that this behavior by senior officers is a serious violation, emphasizing that it would have been worse if the team comprised the National monitors. He urged parties to investigate and hold those responsible to account for such inhumane behavior.

The senior representative of TGoNU apologized on behalf of TGoNU for the regrettable actions of their officers adding that he didn't think the authorities in Juba were happy with such behavior as well especially at a time when implementation of peace is ongoing. He assured the members that urgent action was to be taken to hold those responsible to account. He said efforts were underway to get more information about the incidence and hoped such incidences will be avoided in future. He however added that access to security areas is always restricted and urged CTSAMVM to always seek permission before visiting such areas to avoid inconveniences.

The Chairman and Deputy chairman stated that CTSAMVM is mandated by the agreement and there should be no excuse whatsoever to justify the kind of treatment unleashed on the MVTs.




	<p>Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTSAMVM recognises this incident as a flagrant and grave violation of the two cessation/peace agreements signed by the parties to the armed conflict in South Sudan by SSPDF/NSS. • CTSAMVM urges the TGoNU to take urgent action to address the issues raised. • CTSAMVM has called upon IGAD CoM and RJMEC to take urgent action to address the incident. • CTSAMVM views with grave concern the impact the incident will have on operations and confidence building. • MVT Juba to carry out verification of training in Luri area. 	
9	<p>The date of the next meeting of CTSAMVM shall be on 16th and 17th January 2019 in Khartoum.</p> <p>The next CTSAMVM Board meeting shall be held in Juba. The date shall be communicated.</p>	



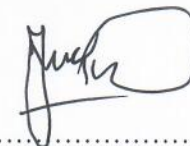
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