



GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
**SUDAN PEOPLES' LIBERATION MOVEMENT
AND SUDAN PEOPLES' LIBERATION ARMY**



Chairman and Commander - in - Chief



SPLM/NSLMA/A-1

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FORMATION OF NEW SUDAN AUTHORITY ON LANDMINES

The Sudan Peoples Liberation Movement and Sudan Peoples Liberation Army (SPLM/SPLA),

Deeply concerned over the tragic consequences of war particularly the presence of Landmines and Unexploded Ordnance (UXOs)

Particularly alarmed by the significant injuries and death inflicted by landmines and UXOs to the civil population,

Concerned about land, roads and other public utilities denied by landmines and UXOs,

Aware of key challenges posed by the landmines as we are moving towards peace,

Having considered voluntarily the 1980 United Nations Convention on the prohibitions or restriction of use of certain conventional weapons which may be deemed to be excessively injurious, (Doc.CM/1884(LX11) Annex II),

Committed to our obligations in the "Deeds of Commitment" signed between the SPLM/A and the Geneva Call,

Considering resolution CM/Res.1526 (LX) on respect for International Humanitarian Law and support for Humanitarian Action in armed conflicts,

The SPLM/A hereby commissions the New Sudan Authority on Landmines (NSAL) under the Office of the SPLM/A Chairman and to be composed of the following SPLM secretariats, commissions or their representatives:-

1. Commissioner for Foreign Relations – Chairman
2. Chief of General Staff – Member
3. Commissioner of SRRC – Member
4. Secretary for Finance and Economic Planning – Member
5. Secretary for Legal Affairs – Member
6. Secretary for Education – Member
7. Secretary for Health – Member
8. Secretary for Information – Member
9. Secretary for Local Government – Member
10. Secretary for Roads and Communications – Member
11. Secretary for Agriculture – Member
12. Secretary for women and Child Welfare – Member
13. Director of External Security – Member
14. Director of Military Intelligence – Member
15. Director of SPLM Peace Desk in the Civil Society Commission – Member
16. Director of SPLM Gender Desk in the Civil Society Commission – Member
17. Executive Director of New Sudan Mine Action Directorate – Secretary

The functions of the New Sudan Authority on Landmines shall be the following:-

1. Develop and approve national policies on landmines.
2. Develop and approve national technical guidelines, human resources policies and memorandum of understandings between SPLM Mine Action Directorate and international partners.
3. National and International advocacy in support of mine action.
4. Cross Conflict coordination and negotiations, on issues of landmines
5. Prioritisation and approvals of mine action activities and programmes.
6. Supervision of the SPLM Mine Action Directorate.
7. Keep the Chairman/Commander-in-Chief briefed and informed on landmine action.

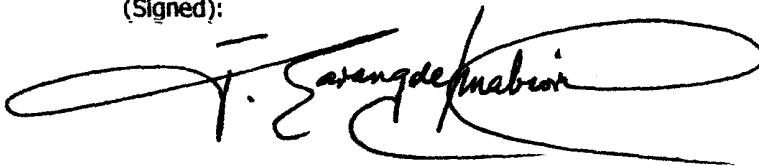
The New Sudan Authority on Landmines shall have under it the New Sudan Mine Action Directorate (NSMAD), functions of which shall be the following:-

1. Develop New Sudan's capacity to address mine action issues.
2. Develop programmes and help in raising funds for mine action activities
3. Sign MOUs and accreditations with international partners in consultation with New Sudan Authority on landmines
4. Conduct and refer matters of Cross-Conflict policies on landmines to New Sudan Authority on Landmines.
5. Supervise National and International partners' adherence to national policies, technical guidelines, human resources Policies and quality assurance, and monitoring and reporting of these to New Sudan Authority on Landmines.
6. Supervise information management systems for mine action with international partners and approve information sharing with non-partners.
7. Implement taskings and programmes approved by New Sudan Authority on Landmines.

These responsibilities for New Sudan Authority on Landmine and New Sudan Mine Action Directorate shall be revised from time to time as experience shall dictate, and as the progress of the peace process in the Sudan shall determine.

Cdr. Aleu Ayieny Aleu is here appointed as Executive Director of the New Sudan Mine Action Directorate with effect from May 9th, 2004, and all concerned are requested to kindly give him and his office all necessary assistance and facilitation of his work.

(Signed):



Dr. John Garang de Mabior
Chairman and Commander-in-Chief, SPLM/SPLA
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