

# October 2016 Update

## Brief Report on the situation in the South Sudan

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### 1. Introduction

I am pleased to write this brief report to you as to be aware of the situation in the South Sudan after 7<sup>th</sup> July 2016 concern at the Presidential Palace Juba

### 2. Current Events

On Saturday Oct 8, 2016 the Japanese Defence Ministry visited S. Sudan she was received by Lt. Gen. David Yaw yaw the Deputy Defence Minister of South Sudan. Her visit was to oversee the Japanese troops in S. Sudan. Japan began sending troops to South Sudan in 2012 for the U.N. peacekeeping mission UNMISS, to help in developing infrastructure, after the South Sudan gained independence from Sudan in 2011. In 2013 December 15<sup>th</sup>, the country has been mired in conflicts between government forces and rebels. A peace deal was signed in August 2015. But again another new fighting began in the capital of Juba in early July 2016 killed more than 300 people and displaced others.

The intervention or protection of 4,000 Troops that has been authorized by UNSC will be strong within force UNMISS in the South Sudan. This Force will include the Regional Protection Force, it will be responsible for providing security environment around Juba the capital to stop eruption of violence in South Sudan, to improve the humanitarian situation, economical and political situation .

### 3. Political Situation

South Sudan became an independent on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2011, Than, UNMISS was established on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2011, the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1996 (2011) welcome South Sudan a member in UN and becomes the 194 country in UN

On the other hand the Japanese Ambassador in South Sudan Mr. Masahiko Kiya said that the Japanese Projects will be resuming very soon, when the UN Troops arrive to Juba. Japan has many important projects in the South Sudan to be resumed, e.g. Freedom Bridget which cost USD.40 million and in addition to others projects

It is to be noted that the Government of South Sudan have accepted deployment of 4,000 UN Troops. But it has some reservations on some Articles of UNSC Resolution 2304; Government needs dialogue with UNSC to arrive on peaceful resolution for understanding of the current situation in country

#### **4. Economic Situation**

The Economic situation remain as it is, dollar rate in the Central Government Bank is SSP.6.6 per 1 dollar against SSP Pound in the Bank while in the Black Market 1USD. Cost SSP. 7,500. The price of goods in the market is very high people are now depending eating vegetable, which are planted in smallest area around their houses. September salary not received, the officials are waiting for National Assembly to pass the new budget of 2016-2017. But may not solve the current economic crisis in the market

#### **5. Social Services**

**Education:** the literacy rate is very high 83%, and most of it is in the ruler areas, because the tradition and culture still very strong among the communities in South Sudan. Gender is still a challenge; priority usual is given to boys more than girls. The family sees a girl as a source of wealth in payment of dowry this is why they are involve in early mirages. During this crisis many schools closed down and the teachers left their jobs due to unpaid salary, while some boys jointed the military units especially with Sudan People Liberation Movement SPLM-IO. In my area where I am staying there is big number of children who have not go to schools because there are no schools. The few schools available are in long distance, the family fear to send their children far. The only solution for them is health and education awareness parent's campaign participation by contribute building school within the area in order to accommodate those children and encourage the family to send their children to school. To implement this; fund is needed to cover the expenses of lands, building materials, school equipment, teachers monthly motivation, school feeding and children will join the school to continue their education

**Health Situation:**--Today in the South Sudan no proper health services available, no good facility hospitals and no medical. Hygiene; sanitation is bad; no clean drinking water many sickness e.g. Malaria, Typhoid are common. This is because no proper medical services luck of good hospitals many cases are refers outside the country. Drugs are very expensive to buy e.g. the steepest drugs was Panadol tablets cost is 5. SSP to 80 SSP. = USD. 1.1/2.

To improve this situation is to have work plan to establish to subsidized treatment in some area in order to provide health and good environment.





## **6 . Children who went to Japan**



in 2011 from the period of 29th June - 8th July the imitative to visit was from Dr. Kohara the Director of Rocinantes Organization, invited 20 children (10 from South, 10 from North Sudan) to participate in sport match in Japan, especially the site of disaster of earthquake and tsunami. The objectives of the trip was; participation of Sudanese children in sport match with Japanese children, who have lost their parents, lovers, and properties during the earthquake and tsunami disasters, their visit was be great help and give power and smile to Japanese people, who are facing natural problems more than lost 25,000 missing on dead. Also to include site seeing to the Japanese cultural and historical sites like Kyoto and Nagasaki.

On the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2011 at eve of Independent of South Sudan from Sudan the delegation of children from Sudan returned to Khartoum from Japan. Then the children from South Sudan came to South Sudan to begin their new future of a New Nation of South Sudan living their brothers and beloved one and friends in Sudan

In the middle of 2011 the team from Rocinantes Organization visited Juba; Akana and Jo, they met the children who visited Japan. They had a good fellowship in my house watching video film of the visit to Japan. In 2012 Dr. Kawahara, the President of Rocinantes Organization visited Juba; he visited Dr. John Garang ==== and toured around Juba City and finally he had family dinner with us in the house. It was a good friendly gathering of that night, where my family thank Dr. Kawahara for his king visit to us at a very difficult time; because we were new South Sudan in Juba, though it is our country, but came back to Juba after long time of 50 years. In Sudan; Most of our time was in Khartoum as residents of one Sudan by then and now we are two countries. The South Sudanese thank the Japanese Leadership and people for their kindness and support services which Japan is rendering to South Sudan.

I recalled the good visit of South Sudanese and Sudan Children to Japan in 2011 before independent days. They are here as follow with their intention and hopes that Rocinantes will assist them in their future.

1		<p>Arou Bol 16 years old was youngest and funniest boy among the group of Sudanese children. He is now in Juba leaving with his Aunt and other four brothers and a sister after his parents got divorce. Due to family problems and financial crisis he left his education in Comboni College in Khartoum CCK .Grade 6 basic education, two years ago, because nobody cares for him. He is willing to continue his education. He is missing the love and care of his parents; this is why he wanted to go to his father in Khartoum but no means of getting Airticks for him and his brothers and sister.</p>
		<p>My self and the boys visited me in my office in Juba. both of them are in Juba now</p>
2		<p>Jur Marial Gabriel 18 years old, he sat for South Sudan Secondary school certificate 2015/2016 and scored 65%. He is willing to join the university either in South Sudan or abroad. He has a problem with English language, for time being he would like to join English course as to strengthen his Language. his priority is to study:_</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Administration</li> <li>• Accounting</li> <li>• computer science</li> </ul>
3		<p>Yor Gabriel Roric: is a Law student at Uganda Christian University now. He thanks the President of Rocinantes Organization and (.....) in (.....) for her support. they had given to him in 2016 hopefully the support will continue for him and his brother Jur</p>

4		<p>Jur Gabriel Roric; . is a student of International Rleations and Good Governance Uganda Christian University . He thank Dr. Kawahara the President of Rocinantes Organization (.....) in (.....) for their kindness in support him and his brother Yor Roric . he will always praying for Rocinantes</p>
5		<p>Beauty Philip  Graduated from Khartoum Academy for Aviation &amp; Technology. she thank Dr. Kawahara for taking her to Japan to lean more</p>

The children new to be continue

May God blessed all of you

Thanks,