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## **Press Statement on the SPLA Second Command and Staff Meeting**

The Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) held its **Second Command and Staff Meeting** from the 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> March 2007 at the SPLA GHQs in Juba, Southern Sudan. It is to be recalled that the SPLA held its First Command and Staff Meeting in July 2006 at Yei town, Southern Sudan.

The Meeting was chaired by Gen. Salva Kiir Mayardit, the SPLA Commander in Chief (C-in-C). The Meeting was also attended among others by Lt. Gen. Paulino Matip Nhial, the SPLA Deputy C-in-C, Lt. Gen. Oyay Deng Ajak, the SPLA Chief of Staff (COS), Deputies of COS, Directors and Deputy Directors of Branches and Division Commanders.

### **The Objectives of the Meeting were:**

1. To review and consult on the progress of the SPLA in general and the progress in the implementation of the CPA Security Arrangements Protocol in particular;
2. To share experiences and lessons learnt in year 2006; and
3. To come up with strategic plans in order to move forward with the process of the re-organisation and transformation of the SPLA from a guerrilla army into a conventional, professional and modern army.

After four days of presentations, discussions and deliberations, the Meeting drew a number of resolutions and recommendations, which will assist the SPLA C-in-C in making command decisions.

Thanks.

**Signed:**  
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