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SPLM/A members withdrew from the Meeting of the Ceasefire Political Commission held in Khartoum

The SPLM/A members of the Ceasefire Political Commission (CPC) withdrew from the Meeting of the CPC in Khartoum yesterday the 29th March 2007 at 12:30 pm. Mr. Dirdiry Mohammed Ahmed of the National Congress Party (NCP) and the Co-chair of the Meeting, insulted the SPLM/A as “militia organisations that need training like Other Armed Groups (OAGs)”. When Dirdiry was asked to apologise by the Chairperson of the Meeting H.E. Paul Mayom Akec, the GOSS Minister of Interior, Dirdiry refused to apologise. This development will have a negative impact on the activities of the CPC. It is to be recalled that Dirdiry has always been insulting H.E. Gen. Salva Kiir Mayardit in Khartoum based media.

The Sudan People’s Liberation Army is deeply hurt and can not tolerate this irresponsible insult. We in the SPLA have started to believe that Dirdiry have hidden agenda. Mr. Dirdiry should apologise publicly to the SPLA and the NCP should discipline him.

Thanks.

Signed:

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