SPLM/SPLA POSITION
ON
JOINT NATIONAL SECURITY SERVICE
IN THE
NATIONAL CAPITAL

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1. The Joint National Security Service Command (JNSC):

1.1. Joint National Security Service (JNSS) shall be composed and structured on parity basis and take its decisions by consensus, in case of disagreement, the matter shall be referred to the two Principals. It shall be composed of the Directors General of SPLM/SPLA and GRSS National Security Services, their deputies and four senior officers from each party.

1.2. JNSC shall exhibit a characteristic of well-functioning body capable of timely response to tasks and situation.

1.3. JNSC shall have a Technical Committee to be formed from four senior officers from both parties.

1.4. The Technical Committee shall undertake the duty of coordination between the two National Security Services and resolve different problems that may ensue. It shall report regularly to JNSC in all ordinary and extraordinary sessions.

1.5. The two Principals shall appoint the Director General and the Deputy of the JNSS who shall be ex officio members of JNSC.

1.6. JNSC shall be entrusted to work out a comprehensive framework for confidence building measures between SPLM/SPLA and GRSS National Security Service Forces.

1.7. At the earliest opportunity, appointed representatives of SPLM/SPLA and GRSS will determine a staff structure in support of JNSC.

1.8 JNSC shall prepare budget.

2. The Status of Joint National Security Service (JNSS)

2.1. There shall be formed a Joint National Security Service (hereinafter referred to as JNSS) during the pre-transitional and the transitional period from SPLM/SPLA and GRSS National Security Services to replace the current forces.

2.2. Formation, training, tasking and deployment of JNSS formations and sub-formation shall be completed not later than D-day + 1 month.

2.3. At the inception, JNSS shall remain in their joint form. However, the process of full integration shall be completed by D day + 7 months.

2.4. JNSS as per Agreement on Security Arrangements shall fall under the command of the Joint National Security Service Command (JNSC). Nevertheless, the two Principals shall appoint the Director General and Deputy for the JNSS as the highest level who shall, by virtue of their
positions, be members of JNSC. They shall oversee routine command matters of JNSS in accordance to authority conferment by JNSC.

2.5. JNSS command shall be exercised on parity basis between SPLM/SPLA and GRSS National Security Service officers with alternation of roles at the uppermost and other levels of command.

2.6 JNSS personnel shall be treated equally. There shall be uniformity in welfare, salaries, emoluments, pension rights, supplies, armament, and equipment.

2.7 Training of the Joint National Security Service (JNSS)

2.7.1. Both National Security Service forces (SPLM/SPLA and GRSS) shall complete selection and organization of officers, non-commissioned officers (NCOs) and men for JNSS within D Day +1 month from the beginning of the pre-transitional period.

2.7.2. JNSS components from both Parties shall be formed within D Day +1 month from the pre-transitional period and co-locate in their various training centers to be trained for not less than six (6) months (in phases) after which they shall be integrated.

2.7.3. There shall be developed a joint doctrine, code of conduct, as well as disciplinary laws, regulations, and standing operating procedures to govern JNSS general training policies, programs, disciplinary scopes and behavioral patterns during the Peace Talks and be signed as part of security arrangement agreement.

2.7.4. In view of special status of the Federal Capital Ramchiel, JNSS Command shall allot tasks to JNSS contingents that shall be deployed to the capital by the end of the pre-transitional period after completion of initial joint training session that shall not exceed one (1) month. Nonetheless, JNSS command shall organize further training sessions for these contingents in accordance to JNSS training policy and programs.

2.7.5. The parties shall appeal to the international community to render additional technical, material and financial support to assist in forming and training JNSS.

2.8 JNSS Command and Control:

JNSS Headquarters is under command of JNSC and shall be located in Ramchiel. The JNSC command shall perform among other things, the following duties and responsibilities:

2.8.1. Command of JNSS formations and units;

2.8.2. Promotion of mutual cooperation between JNSS, SPLM/SPLA and GRSS at all command levels;

2.8.3. Coordination of supply and replenishments plans with JNSS;

2.8.4. Implementation of JNSC plans, policies, programs and directives pertaining to JNSS;
2.8.5. Appointment and transfer of JNSS officers within the discretion of JNSS command;
2.8.6. Create and promote confidence building measures;
2.8.7. Development and execution of training programs for JNSS.
2.8.8. Coordination with Ceasefire Political Commission (CPC);
2.8.9. Resolution of disputes that may arise within JNSS jurisdiction.

2.9. JNSS Leadership shall exercise the following authority/responsibility:
2.9.1. Command and control of JNSS in their respective areas of command;
2.9.2. Implementation of and compliance with the directives of the JNSS Higher Headquarters;
2.9.3. Implement confidence building policies of the higher headquarters as well as create and promote confidence building measures within their power as shall be desirable;
2.9.4. Development and execution of training programs within their command jurisdiction;
2.9.5. Performance of any other duties that may be conferred upon them by the higher headquarters.

2.10. JNSS Composition and organization:
2.10.1 Composition:
2.10.1.1. JNSS shall be formed from SPLM/SPLA and GRSS National Security Services forces;
2.10.2 Organization:
2.10.2.1. JNSS shall be a Brigade and a battalion (see organizational structure attached as annexure 4) deployed in the Federal Capital and the states and shall be as follows:

   a) 1st battalion which shall have a total strength of 851 officers, NCOs and men (internal security).

   b) 2nd battalion which shall have a total strength of 851 officers, NCOs and men (internal security).

   c) 3rd battalion which shall have a total strength of 851 officers, NCOs and men (internal security),

   d) 4th battalion which shall have a total strength of 851 officers, NCOs and men (internal security).
e) 5th battalion which shall have a total strength of 851 officers, NCOs and men (external security).

2.10.2.2. The JNSS battalion shall compose of:

2.10.2.2.1. Battalion command;

2.10.2.2.2. Battalion HQ company;

2.10.2.2.3. Four companies;

2.10.2.2.4. Technical company.

20.10.2.4. JNSS battalion shall be formed of two SPLM/SPLA companies and two GRSS companies, whereas the HQs Company and the technical company shall be mixed. The size of the forces in each locality shall not exceed one battalion.

2.10.2.5. JNSS shall assist the Joint Federal Police (JFP) in the protection oil installation.

3. Funding of the Joint National Security Service:

3.1. During the Transitional Period, the joint National Security Service (SPLM/SPLA and GRSS) shall be funded by the Federal Government. To meet this obligation, the TFGONU shall raise additional financial resources from International Partners (IGAD, Troika, AU, UN and China).