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Letter dated 11 May 2012 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of South Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

It pleases us to notify the Security Council that, as of yesterday, the Republic of South Sudan completed its promised redeployment from the Abyei Area of the 700 members of the South Sudanese Police Service (SSPS) — six days earlier than the 16 May 2012 deadline called for by the Council. There are now no members of SSPS within the Abyei Area.

This withdrawal of SSPS is in compliance with Security Council resolution 2046 (2012) of 2 May 2012, which reiterated the earlier call from the Peace and Security Council of the African Union, of 24 April 2012, for the "redeployment, within no more than two weeks ... of all Sudanese and South Sudanese forces out of the Abyei Area".

The South Sudanese Police Service were transported by United Nations vehicles to Mayen Abun and Ajakkuac villages located outside of the Abyei Area and within Toc County, in the South Sudan state of Warrap. The withdrawal was witnessed by General Tadesse Tesfay, the Force Commander for the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA); Acuil Tito, the Inspector General of SSPS; Kuol Monyluak, the Acting Chief Administrator of the Abyei Area; and Dr. Luka Biong Deng, co-chair to the Abyei Joint Oversight Committee. Community leaders also witnessed the event.

This removal occurs despite the remaining Sudan Armed Forces in the area. To date there are no signs to indicate that the Government of the Sudan will reciprocate and abide by the Security Council's resolution to redeploy their armed forces and all other armed elements they support from the Area.

In the interest of peace, the Republic of South Sudan has now removed all Sudan People's Liberation Army forces from Abyei (completed on 30 September 2011), withdrawn its forces from the Southern Sudan area of Panthou (Heglig), and agreed to adhere to the United Nations and African Union call for a ceasefire. In the wake of these acts of peace, unabated, the Sudan has continued to launch attacks against the territory of South Sudan and its people — the latest on 11 May 2012.

Respectfully, the Republic of South Sudan has taken the bold steps the international community has asked of it. We now call upon the international community to secure the peace by securing the compliance of the Sudan, if







necessary through the Chapter VII measures provided for in the Security Council resolution.

Through its words and deeds, the Republic of South Sudan has demonstrated that it is committed to peace and finding a negotiated solution to the outstanding issues that remain with the Sudan.

I would be most grateful if this letter could be transmitted to the members of the Security Council.

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