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PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL
1302ND MEETING

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PRESS STATEMENT



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The Peace and Security Council (PSC) of the African Union (AU) at its 1302nd meeting, held on 18 September 2025, considered the Situation in South Sudan.

Council **recalled** its Communique [PSC/PR/COMM. 1297 (2025)] adopted at its 1297th meeting held on 15 August 2025 on the Consideration and adoption of the Report of its Field Mission to the Republic of South Sudan conducted from 10 to 12 August 2025.

Council **reaffirmed** the AU commitment to respect the independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity of South Sudan.

Council also **reaffirmed** its solidarity with the people of South Sudan and the commitment to continue to support them in their legitimate quest for durable peace, security and stability, as well as democratic government for the benefit of not only South Sudan and the Horn of Africa region, but the rest of the Continent.

Council **took note** of the developments in South Sudan **appealed** for calm, and **encouraged** all South Sudanese stakeholders to place the supreme interests of the country above all else, to refrain from any actions that may incite violence and further destabilize the country thereby undermining the fragile peace, and reconciliation process and reversing all milestones registered thus far.

Council **underscored** the critical importance of the 2018 Revitalized Agreement on the Resolution of the Conflict in South Sudan (R-ARCSS) as the only viable and sustainable path towards the restoration of lasting peace, security, stability, development and prosperity in South Sudan, and in this regard, **urged** the Revitalized Transitional Government of National Unity (R-TGoNU) to redouble efforts towards ensuring the full implementation of the Revitalized Agreement within the extended timelines.

Council also **reaffirmed** the AU's unwavering commitment to continue supporting efforts aimed at enhancing reconciliation, building trust and facilitating the full implementation of the R-ARCSS and **encouraged** both, the signatory and non-signatory parties to the Revitalized Peace Agreement to demonstrate their commitment to fostering lasting peace and stability in the interest of the entire people of South Sudan.

Council **called** for the organization of a genuine all-inclusive South Sudanese national political dialogue leading to a national reconciliation process which will culminate in the successful conduct of democratic elections in December 2026.

Council also **reiterated** the AU's continued commitment to working closely with the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), UNMISS, the Troika, and other international and regional partners to support peace and reconciliation efforts in the country.

Council **agreed** to remain actively seized of the matter.