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IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX OF THE COMMUNIQUE PSC/PR/COMM.1326 (2026) ADOPTED BY THE PSC OF THE AU, AT ITS 1326TH MEETING HELD ON 23 JANUARY 2026 ON UPDATED BRIEFING ON THE SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN.

No	Task (Specified and Implied)	Implementers/Responsibilities	Actions to be taken	Resource(s)	Implementation Timeline	Status/Observations
1	Call for immediate and unconditional cessation of all hostilities and ceasefire violations, including aerial bombardments.	AU Commission; PSC; R-ARCSS signatory parties	Issue formal ceasefire demand to all parties; coordinate with, R-JMEC, IGAD and UN on monitoring.	N/A	Immediate	Pending Fighting resumed after a temporal halt
2	Demand unfettered humanitarian access to all affected populations; appeal to humanitarian agencies to sustain their efforts.	RTGoNU; Belligerents; AU Commission; UN ; Humanitarian agencies	Formally demand humanitarian access from belligerents; coordinate with UN OCHA and humanitarian agencies.	N/A	Immediate	Still relevant
3	Hold perpetrators of human rights violations, including sexual violence, arbitrary detentions and extra-judicial killings, accountable.	RTGoNU; AU Commission; UN; IGAD; RJMEC; CTSAMVM	Issue formal warnings; support accountability mechanisms; monitor and document violations.	N/A	Immediate / Short-term	Pending
4	Urge South Sudan's political leaders to recommit to dialogue and consensus-building to prevent collapse of the peace process.	AU Commission; IGAD; C5; South Sudan political leaders	Convene or support dialogue initiatives among South Sudan political leaders.	N/A	Immediate	Pending
5	Call on the RTGoNU to reconstitute itself per R-ARCSS provisions and expedite implementation of outstanding transitional tasks.	RTGoNU; AU Commission; IGAD	Engage RTGoNU on reconstitution and implementation of outstanding R-ARCSS tasks; track progress.	N/A	Immediate / Short-term	Relevant/Pending
6	Prioritize organization of elections by December 2026 to end the transitional period by February 2027; call on all parties to engage in the electoral process.	RTGoNU; NEC; AU Commission; IGAD; International partners	Support electoral preparations; engage all parties on participation; provide technical assistance to NEC.	N/A	By December 2026	Relevant

7	Provide concrete support to institutions engaged in constitution-making, census and electoral processes, including the National Elections Commission (NEC).	AU Commission; International partners	Deploy experts to support the constitution-making body, census authority and NEC.	N/A	Short-term	Pending Controversy over status of constitution-making and census as approval process side-stepped the RJMEC
8	Expedite the establishment of the Hybrid Court for South Sudan to investigate and prosecute crimes committed during the transitional period.	RTGoNU; AU Commission; UN	Accelerate negotiations and operational establishment of the Hybrid Court; provide AU technical support.	N/A	Short-term	Responsibility on AU Commission to provide names of recruited non-South Sudanese Commissioners (Cabinet of the Chairperson); and Office of the Legal Counsel to draft HCSS Guidelines. OLC complaints about lack of funds for consultancy fee (30,000 USD)
9	Receive the report of the C5 Ministerial visit to Juba (14–15 January 2026).	C5 (Chair: Republic of South Africa); AU Commission	Request and receive formal report of the C5 Ministerial visit to Juba.	N/A	Short-term	
10	Convene the C-5 Plus Summit on the margins of the 39th AU Assembly (Addis Ababa, February 2026); organize a political retreat of R-ARCSS signatory parties.	C5 (Republic of South Africa); AU Commission; R-ARCSS parties	Plan and convene the C-5 Plus Summit in February 2026; organize the political retreat.	N/A	By February 2026	Completed
11	Ensure sustained and harmonized IGAD-AU-UN engagement with RTGoNU to resolve the political and security impasse, including the release of the First Vice President and all political detainees.	IGAD; AU Commission; UN; RTGoNU	Coordinate IGAD-AU-UN engagement strategy; formally demand release of First Vice President and political detainees.	N/A	Immediate / Short-term	Pending
12	Call on R-ARCSS parties to refrain from escalatory actions and hate speech; reinvigorate commitment to political inclusion; cease unilateral actions; embrace inclusive dialogue;	R-ARCSS signatory parties; AU Commission; IGAD, UN	Issue formal calls to parties on each of these commitments; monitor adherence.	N/A	Immediate	Relevant

	re-activate R-ARCSS implementation mechanisms; fully adhere to the Permanent Ceasefire and Transitional Security Arrangements.					
13	Encourage meaningful participation of women and youth at all levels of social and political life.	RTGoNU; AU Commission; Civil society	Advocate for gender and youth quotas and inclusion in transitional governance and peace process structures.	N/A	Short-term	Relevant
14	Scale up resource mobilization and logistical support for critical R-ARCSS tasks: unification of forces, permanent constitution and elections by December 2026.	AU Commission; International partners	Launch targeted resource mobilization for R-ARCSS critical tasks; engage international partners for sustained support.	N/A	Short-term	Pending
15	Continue AU Commission technical support in DDR, SSR, constitution-making, transitional justice and population census.	AU Commission	Maintain and scale up technical assistance in DDR, SSR, constitution-making, transitional justice and census.	N/A	Short-term	Pending
16	Urgently appoint a High Representative for South Sudan to support the peace process.	Chairperson of the AU Commission	Identify and appoint a High Representative for South Sudan; define mandate and operational framework.	N/A	Immediate	Completed
17	Avail necessary resources to enable the AU Liaison Office (AULO) in South Sudan to effectively implement its mandate.	AU Commission	Allocate and mobilize resources for AULO South Sudan; ensure adequate staffing and operational capacity.	N/A	Short-term	Pending