

Statement of IGAD on the Unfolding Security Situation in Sudan

April 15, 2023 (DJIBOUTI, Djibouti): The Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Dr Workneh Gebeyehu is extremely alarmed by reports of fighting in different parts of Khartoum between Sudan Armed Forces (SAF) and Rapid Support Forces (RSF) and is following the situation closely. Dr Workneh urges both sides to immediately cease fighting, de-escalate the situation, and resolve their differences through dialogue.

Th Sudanese parties and stakeholders including SAF and RSF have made commendable progress in the past few months towards signing a final political agreement and formation of a civilian-led transitional government, and these reports of fighting will not only cause setback but will also cause serious insecurity and instability to Sudan and the region at large.

The Executive Secretary urges both sides to give dialogue a chance, cease hostilities, and allow the Sudanese people continue observing Ramadhan fasting in peace.

IGAD will continue to stand in solidarity with the people of Sudan in their aspiration for peace.

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