



## JOINT SUMMIT OF THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY (SADC) AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE GREAT LAKES REGION (ICGLR), PRETORIA, REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## **COMMUNIQUÉ**

- Joint Summit of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) and the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) was held in Pretoria, South Africa on 04 November, 2013.
- 2. Joint Summit was co-chaired by Her Excellency Dr Joyce Banda, President of the Republic of Malawi and Chairperson of SADC and His Exellency Yoweri Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda and Chairman of the ICGLR.
- 3. Joint Summit was attended by the following Heads of State and Government or their representatives:

DRC - H.E. Joseph Kabila Kabange

Kenya - H. E. Uhuru Kenyatta

Lesotho - Rt. Hon. Motsoahae Thomas Thabane

Malawi - H.E. Dr. Joyce Banda

Namibia - H.E. Hifikepunye Pohamba

South Africa - H.E. Jacob Gedleyihlekisa Zuma

Tanzania - H.E. Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete

Uganda - H. E. Yoweri Museveni

Zimbabwe - H. E. Robert Gabriel Mugabe

Swaziland - Dr. Vincent Mhlanga, Acting Prime Minister

Angola - Hon Georges Rebelo Pinto Chikoti, Minister

for External Relations

Botswana - H.E. Kenny Kapinga – High Commissioner to

the Republic of South Africa

Burundi - H.E. Gabriel Nizigama, Minister for Public

Security

Congo Republic - H.E. Charles Richard Mondjo, Minister at

Presidency in charge of National Defence

Mauritius - H.E. Mr. M.I. Dossa – High Commissioner to

the Republic of South Africa

Mozambique - H.E. Alberto Vaquina, Prime Minister

Rwanda - Hon. Louise Mushikiwabo, Minister of Foreign

**Affairs** 

South Sudan - H.E. James Wani Igga, Vice President of the

Republic

Sudan - H.E. Mr. Salah Wanasi, State Minister of

Foreign Affairs

Zambia - Hon. Wynter Kabimba, Minister of Justice

- Joint Summit was also attended by the Executive Secretaries of SADC and the ICGLR, Dr. Stergomena Lawrence Tax and Prof. Ntumba Luaba, respectively.
- 5. Joint Summit was also attended by the AU Commissioner for Peace and Security representing the Chairperson of the African Union Commission and the representative of the UN Secretary General's Special Envoy to the Great Lakes Region.

- 6. Joint Summit received and adopted the report of the Joint SADC/ICGLR Ministerial Meeting on the Implementation of the Framework for Peace, Security and Cooperation for the DRC and the Region, including the status of Deployment of the Intervention Brigade (IB) and the recent conflict between the FARDC and M23.
- 7. Joint Summit urged all signatories to the Peace, Security and Cooperation Framework for the DRC and the Region to implement commitments made towards implementation of the Agreement.
- 8. Joint Summit commended the Republics of Malawi, South Africa and the United Republic of Tanzania for deploying their troops under the auspices of MONUSCO in the eastern DRC.
- 9. Joint Summit commended H.E. Yoweri Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda and Chairperson of the ICGLR for his efforts in facilitating the Kampala Dialogue.
- 10. Joint Summit noted that all the 11 issues under discussion in the Kampala Dialogue had been agreed upon and that the parties would sign an agreement on condition that the M23 makes a public declaration renouncing rebellion, after which the Government would make a public declaration of acceptance. Five days after this is done, then a formal signing of the agreement would be done.
- 11. Joint Summit commended the Government of the DRC for its efforts in ensuring that the Framework for Peace, Security and Cooperation for the DRC and the Region is implemented by all stakeholders in the country.
- 12. Joint Summit commended the FARDC and Intervention Brigade (IB) for recapturing M23 strongholds and restoring of government control.
- 13. Joint Summit urged MONUSCO/IB to maintain its enforcement mandate and capability with regard to uprooting all negative forces in the eastern DRC.
- 14. Joint Summit commended the UN Secretary General's Special Envoy to the Great Lakes Region, H.E. Mrs Mary Robinson and the Technical Support Committee (TSC) for the progress made towards the implementation of the Framework for Peace, Security and Cooperation for DRC and the Region.

- 15. Joint Summit recalled that the Technical Support Committee (TSC) had started its work in Nairobi, Kenya in June 2013 and has developed Benchmarks and Indicators of Progress for the International and Regional Commitments under the Peace, Security and Co-operation Framework Agreement for DRC and the Region.
- 16. Joint Summit urged SADC and ICGLR Member States to honour the implementation of the benchmarks and indicators of the Framework for Peace, Security and Cooperation for DRC and the Region.
- 17. Joint Summit urged SADC and ICGLR Member States to handover negative forces to their countries of origin within the spirit of the UN Framework for Peace, Security and Cooperation for DRC and the Region.
- 18. Joint Summit directed the two Secretariats to harmonise and synergize the work of ICGLR and SADC in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the Peace, Security and Cooperation Framework, as well as to establish a mechanism for Ministers of Defence and Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation to meet every six months to review progress leading to a Joint SADC/ICGLR Annual Summit of Heads of State and Government.
- 19. Joint Summit strongly condemned the recent act of terrorism in Kenya and expressed condolences to the government and people of Kenya following the death of more than 67 people and destruction of property.
- 20. Joint Summit strongly condemned the recent acts of violence being perpetrated by the RENAMO in the Republic of Mozambique and urged RENAMO to stop acts of violence forthwith.
- 21. Joint Summit noted the devastation caused by the recent flooding in South Sudan and expressed appreciation for the support received so far from the neighbouring countries and the International Community.

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