

Local EU Statement on dismissal of South Sudan's entire Cabinet

The European Union Delegation issues the following statement in agreement with the EU Heads of Mission in South Sudan:

The EU Delegation to South Sudan takes note of the dismissal of the Cabinet by presidential decree on 23 July.

The EU Delegation urges all parties to remain calm and to resolve any political differences they may have through dialogue and within the framework of the transitional constitution.

In view of the important challenges facing the Republic of South Sudan, including the ongoing negotiations with Sudan under AU auspices, the EU Delegations encourages President Salva Kiir to rapidly appoint a new Cabinet following a consultative process. The EU Delegation would welcome an early dialogue, as soon as a new executive is appointed, on the commitments taken by the Government of the Republic of South Sudan at the Conference in Washington on 16 April 2013, and on their implementation.

The EU Delegation reiterates its commitment to support the Republic of South Sudan and its people in their efforts to consolidate peace, security and stability, to promote good governance, democratic transformation and the rule of law, the fight against corruption, as well as to promote socio-economic development.