



Joint Facilitators' Statement by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the United States of America on the Extension of an Agreement on a Short-Term Ceasefire and Humanitarian Arrangements in Sudan

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the United States of America announce that on May 2023 ,29, in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, representatives of the Sudanese Armed Forces and the Rapid Support Forces signed a five-day extension to the May 20 Agreement on a Short-Term Ceasefire and Humanitarian Arrangements to provide more time for humanitarian actors to undertake their vital work.

The parties affirmed their intention to use the five-day extension to implement provisions of the first ceasefire that were not fully achieved, including further deliveries of humanitarian assistance, facilitation of essential services repair, and evacuation of armed actors from hospitals. The facilitators condemned continued airstrikes, attacks, and prohibited movements, urging that the parties honor their obligations to refrain from those acts during the five-day extension.

The parties also agreed to discuss a longer-term ceasefire that could entail vacating forces from urban areas, including civilian homes, further removal of impediments to the free movement of civilians and humanitarian assistance, and enabling public servants to resume their regular duties.

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the United States of America remind the parties that it remains incumbent on them to adhere to their obligations under the May 20 short-term ceasefire agreement and the preceding Declaration of Commitment to Protect the Civilians of Sudan.

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