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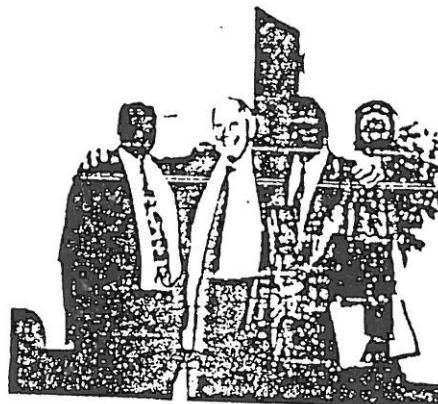
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SOUTHERN SUDANESE LEADERS AGREE ON PRINCIPLES OF PEACE

Rep. Harry Johnston (D-FL), Chairman of the Subcommittee on Africa, today announced a breakthrough peace agreement between the two rival liberation movements in southern Sudan. Dr. Riek Machar and Dr. John Garang, commanders of opposing factions within the Sudan People's Liberation Movement, agreed to end hostilities.

The two leaders, meeting for the first time in two years at the invitation of Mr. Johnston, conducted intensive negotiations in Washington. Dr. Garang and Dr. Machar agreed to the following:



1. Agreed on the right of self-determination for the people of southern Sudan, Nuba Mountains, and marginalized areas;
2. Agreed to an immediate cessation of hostilities and monitoring of this agreement;
3. Agreed to set an agenda for peace, reconciliation, unity, and democracy;
4. Recognized that the conflict between us must be resolved through peaceful and democratic means;
5. Appreciate and encourage the regional effort for peace, reconciliation, and unity in southern Sudan, Nuba Mountains, and other marginalized areas, and call upon the international community to support this effort;
6. Agreed to cooperate and facilitate relief work in areas where people are affected by war, famine, and disease;
7. Agreed to oppose the policies of the NIF government in Khartoum, and other subsequent regimes that deny the right to self-determination of the people of southern Sudan, Nuba Mountains, and other marginalized areas; and
8. Agreed to inform the regional leaders of this agreement, and urge that the follow-up meeting take place no later than November 15, 1993.

DONE this 22nd Day of October 1993, in Washington, D.C.

Approved:
Harry Johnston
Chairman Africa Sub-Committee

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