

South Sudan Country Overview





Key Facts

- **Population – 13million+**
- **Size – 619,745 km²
7.3 time size of Ireland**
- **Currency – South Sudanese Pound (1 SSP = €0.045)**
- **Industry – Oil, Agriculture**
- **Economy – Heavily dependant on the oil industry. 80%+ of population in non wage activities – agriculture.**
- **Languages - English , Arabic**

Overview



Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) – Dinka (Salva Kiir)



South Sudan Democratic Movement (SSDM) (George Athor, David Yau Yau)

- Cobra faction – Murle
- Upper Nile Faction – Shilluk

Nuer White Army

South Sudan Federal Democratic Party

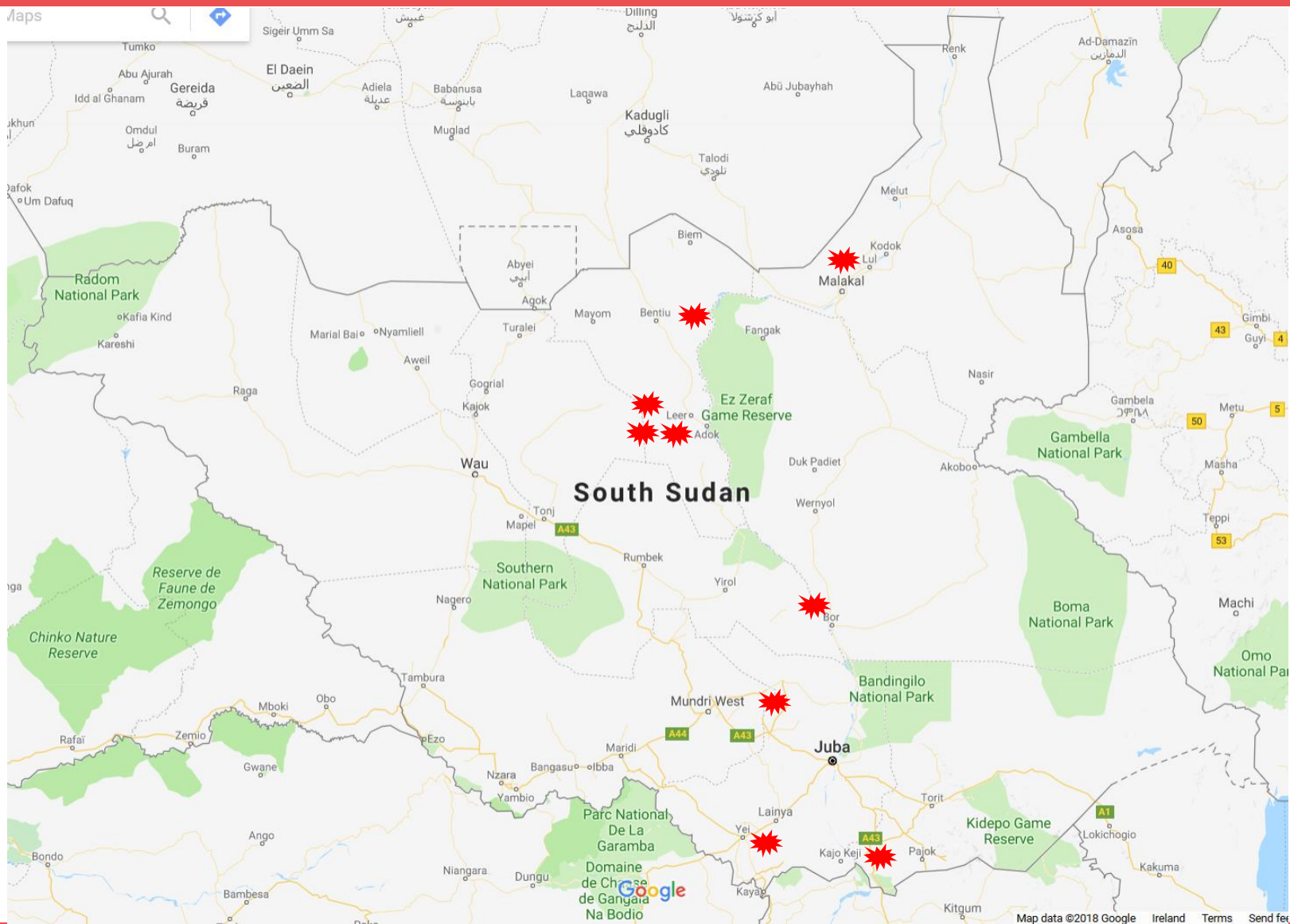
Fertit militias



- **July 2011, the Republic of South Sudan gained independence from Sudan**
 - **End one of a bitter civil wars becoming the world's youngest nation**
- **December 2013, armed conflict breaks out between forces loyal to President Salva Kiir and those loyal to Vice President Riek Machar**
- **April 2016 - Compromise Peace Agreement, Riek Machar sworn in as the first Vice President within the Transitional Government of National Unity**
- **July 2017 - Renewed fighting erupts with increased violence and insecurity throughout the country.**
 - **Riek Machar flees the country and Taban Deng Gai appointed first vice president**
- **December 2017 - Government and several opposition groups sign cessation of hostility agreement.**



Violent Clashes: September 2017



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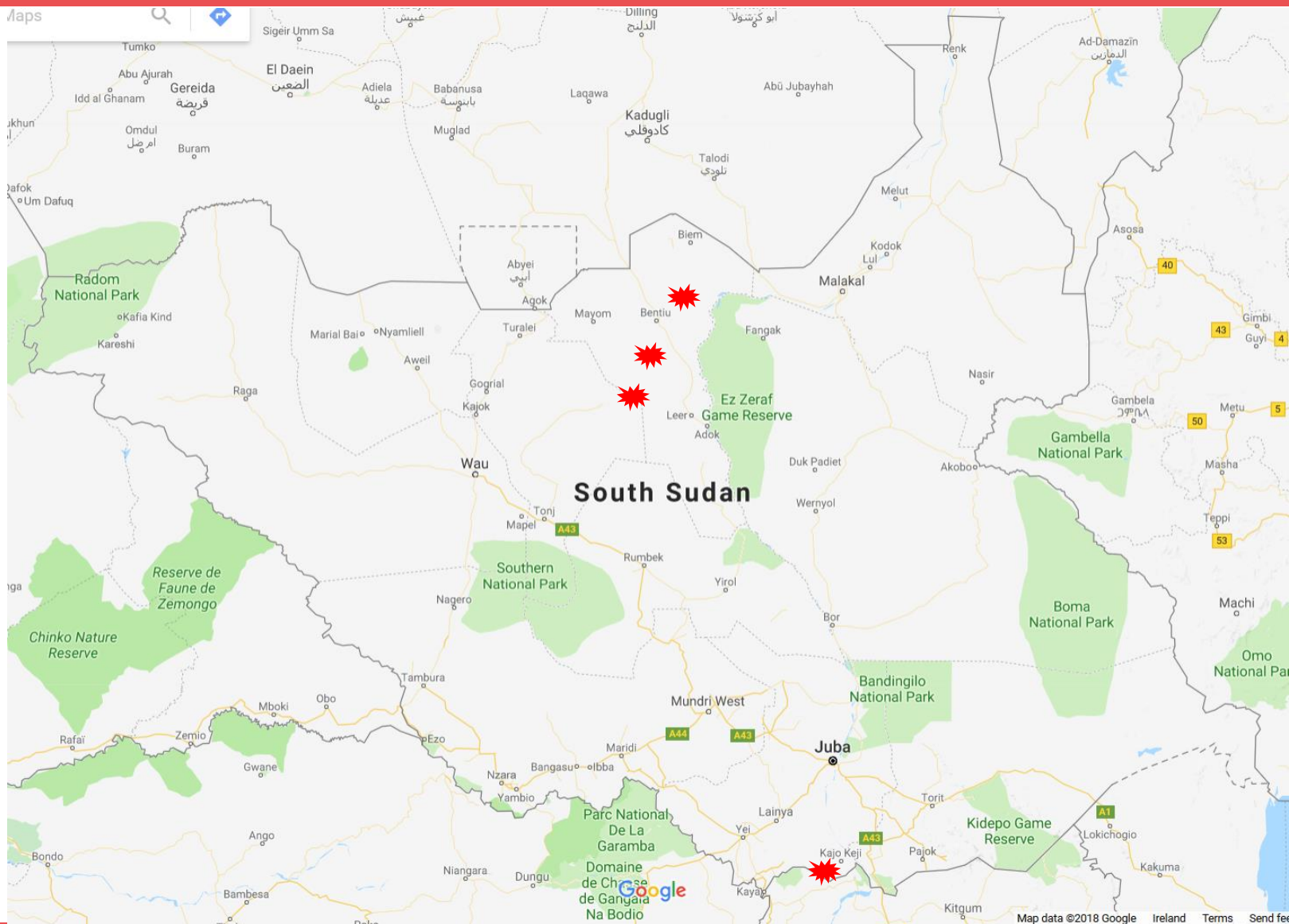


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Violent Clashes: October 2017



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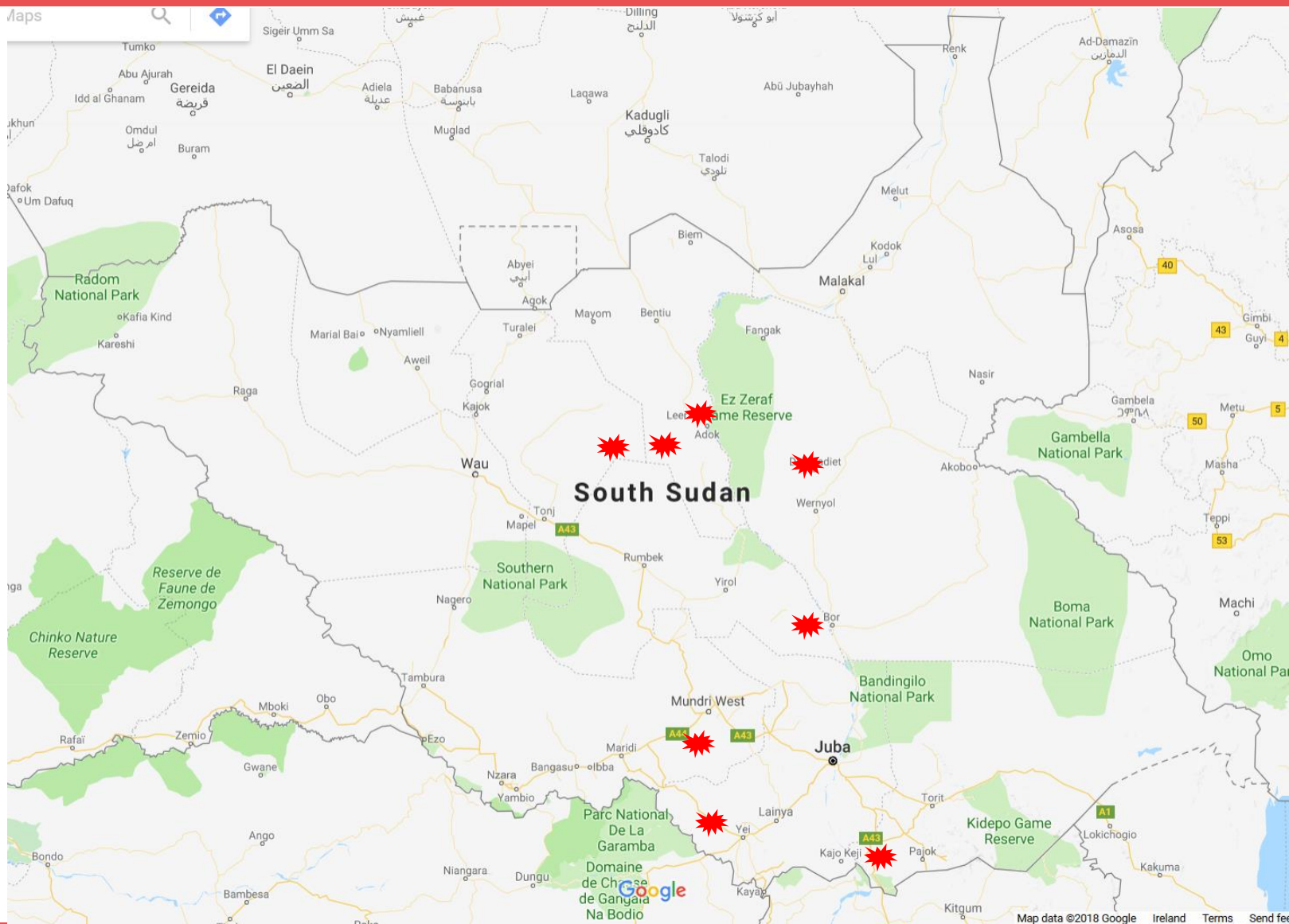


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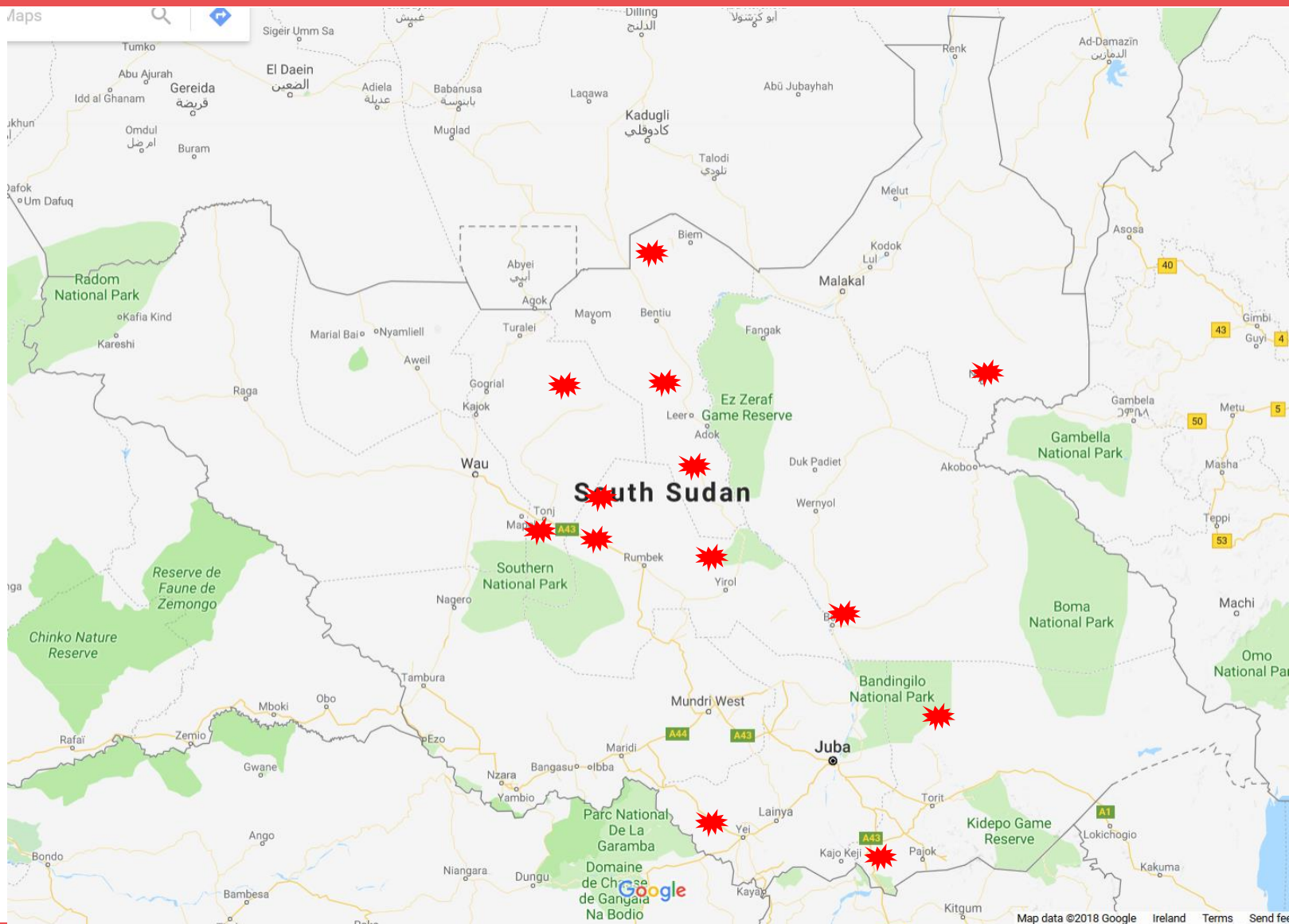


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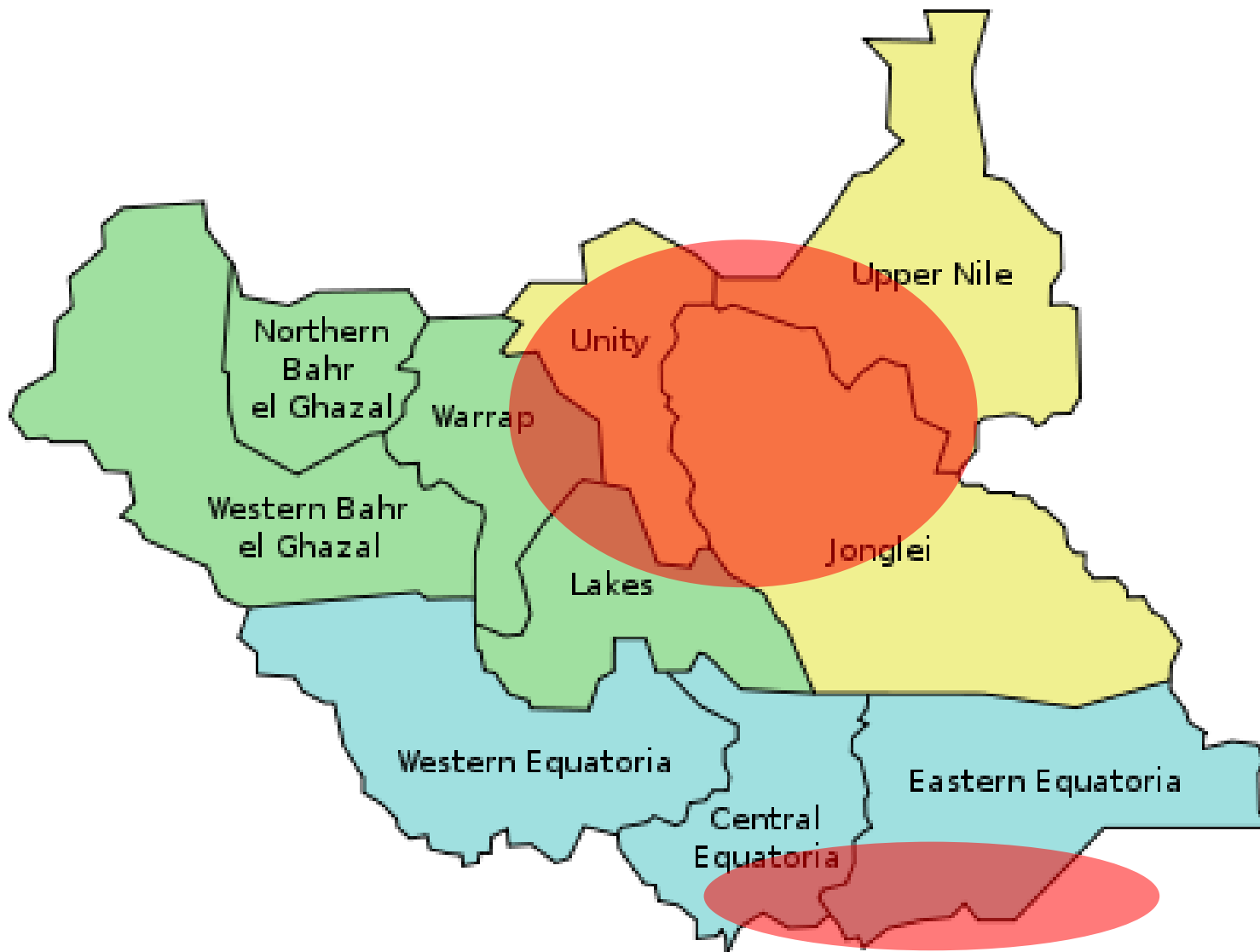


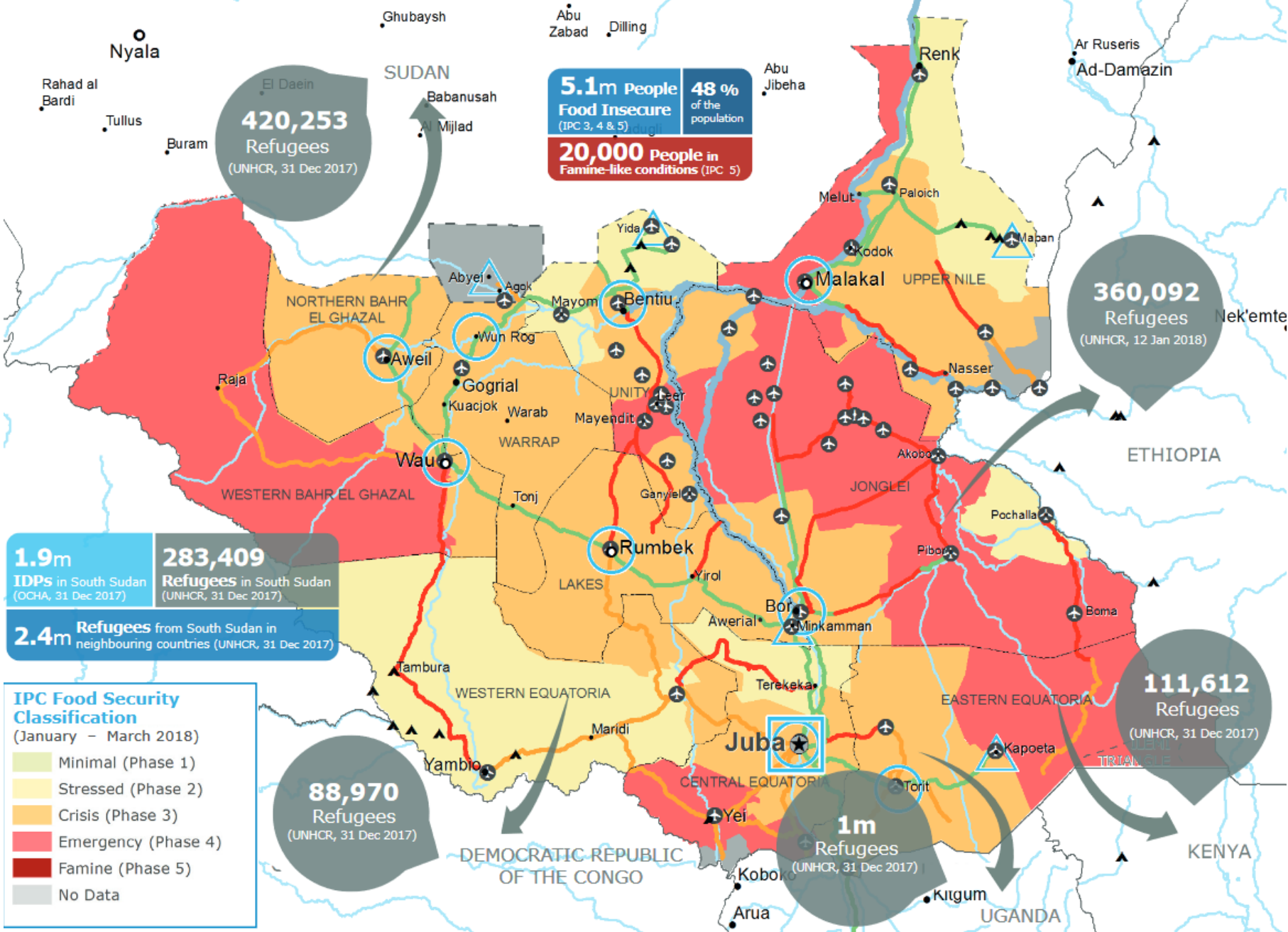
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Regions of Concern





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News Highlights

- **Nov 17 – Rebels say South Sudan's use of Uganda territory could spread instability**
- **09 Dec 17 - Over 40 killed in South Sudan ethnic clashes**
- **12 Dec 17 – More than 170 people have died in the last week in clashes between two sub-clans in South Sudan**
- **29 Dec 17 – Over 30 killed in renewed South Sudan clashes amid continued truce violation**
- **09 Jan 18 – New clashes outside South Sudan's capital said to kill 4**
- **22 Jan 18 – Ugandan army kills 29 armed cattle raiders over the previous 3 months in the porous northeastern region bordering South Sudan**



Key Take Aways & Considerations

- **Have you registered with the UK Embassy/Consulate?**
 - **Update your travel plans/locations as they change**
- **Particular considerations to be put in place when travelling NORTH and NORTH EAST of JUBA.**
- **Increased tensions along UGANDAN border to SOUTH EAST of JUBA.**
- **Travel to/from and movement in and around JUBA after dark is strongly discouraged.**
- **Unaccompanied travel is strongly discouraged.**
- **Acts of bribery, extortion, violence and denial of movement perpetrated by:**
 - **DEC 2017 – 44% State Security 56% Anti Government/Rebel Groups**

