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SPLA COMMAND COUNCIL VISITS UNMISS

The United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) had the privilege to receive yesterday the visit of the SPLA Command Council on its compound. This high level visit of 60 SPLA generals was following the 4th SPLA Command Council Conference 2013.

The UNMISS Deputy-Special Representative of the Secretary-General (SRSG) in South Sudan/Political and Mission's Officer-in-Charge during the absence of the SRSG, Mr. Raisedon Zenenga accompanied by the Deputy-SRSG/Humanitarian, Mr. Toby Lanzer and the UNMISS Force Commander, Major General Delali Sakyi gave a presentation describing key elements of UNMISS mandate before answering questions from the audience.

UNMISS underlined the Mission's ongoing commitment to South Sudan and some of its concrete achievements by highlighting the enhanced foot patrol campaign currently taking place in Jonglei and the tremendous work carried out by the United Nations Mines Action Service (UNMAS) throughout the country. UNMISS also reiterated its support for the extension of the State authority across South Sudan, in full respect with national sovereignty and ownership of the Government and the people of South Sudan.

UNMISS welcomes the current dialogue and engagement with SPLA, and reiterates its commitment to assist South Sudan armed forces in achieving their current transformation.

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 $\hbox{D-SRSG/P/OiC\ Rai\ Zenenga\ and\ DSRG/H\ Toby\ Lanzer\ address\ the\ SPLA\ Command\ Council}$



Major General Delali Sakyi address the SPLA Command Council



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