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UNMISS Force Commander Maj. Gen. Delali Johnson Sakyi Takes Office

The newly appointed UNMISS Force Commander Maj. General Delali Johnson Sakyi of Ghana took up office today in Juba.

Maj. General Sakyi has more than 34 years of extensive military command and staff experience at both national and international levels. He served in several UN peacekeeping missions since first joining the United Nations Organization in 1979 in the Sinai Peninsula. He has worked in UN missions in Lebanon, Bosnia - Herzegovina, Côte d'Ivoire and Democratic Republic of Congo. Maj. Gen. Sakyi also served as Commanding Officer for the West African regional force-ECOMOG in Liberia and Sierra Leone.

"I will approach my responsibilities with great and total commitment to ensure that our troops support the Republic of South Sudan with professionalism, discipline and good ethics", said the Force Commander on his first day in UNMISS.

Maj. General Sakyi succeeds Major General Moses Bisong Obi of Nigeria, who completed his assignment on 18 November 2012.

UNMISS was established on 8 July 2011 and has a current military strength of around 6,600 troops.

For Maj. General Delali Johnson Sakyi biographical note, please go to:

<http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/missions/unmiss/leadership.shtml>



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