

United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)

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UPDATE

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UNMISS "PROTECTION OF CIVILIANS" (POC) SITES 1

• As of 12 March, the estimated number of civilians seeking safety in six Protection of Civilians (PoC) sites located on UNMISS bases is 112,840 including 34,674 in Juba UN House, 21,368 in Malakal, 2,649 in Bor, 52,908 in Bentiu, 337 in Wau and 904 in Melut.

STATE	LOCATION	Number of civilians seeking protection
Central Equatoria Juba	UN House PoC I, II and III	34,674
Jonglei	Bor	2,649
Upper Nile	Malakal	21,368
	Melut	904
Unity	Bentiu	52,908
Western Bahr El Ghazal	Wau	337
TOTAL		112,840

On 10 March, the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General (SRSG) and head of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan, Ms. Ellen Margrethe Loej, and the U.S. Charge D'Affaires, Charles Twining, visited UNMISS Protection of Civilian Site in Malakal which host over 21,000 civilians and met with community leaders. They were briefed on the progress of ongoing construction work to expand the area of the existing protection site before the onset of the rainy season later this year.



SRSG Loej and U.S. Envoy Twining visit Malakal PoC site UNMISS Photo/ JC Mcilwaine

During her visit, the SRSG announced the establishment of a forward operating base in Malakal town to be manned by UNMISS. On Monday 16 March, the forward operating base opened in the former UNICEF building. It will be under UNMISS presence during day-time as a first phase. This initiative aims to promote a more secure and safer environment for internally displaced persons (IDPs) wishing to return to their homes in Malakal on a voluntary basis.



SRSG Loej with women from Malakal PoC site

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SOUTH SUDAN / LOEJ MALAKAL

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During her visit to Malakal, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and head of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS), Ellen Margrethe Loej said she is looking forward" to continue with the fruitful cooperation with the state administration in order to achieve that common goal namely that the citizen of Malakal can live in peace and security and be able to carry on their daily duties." UNMISS

SOUTH SUDAN / INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

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The United Nations Mission in South Sudan together with UN Women and South Sudan Women for Peace celebrated international women's day in Juba on Sunday. UNMISS



¹ Update on UNMISS figures in PoC sites are produced once a week