



# United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)

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### **UNMISS deplores attack on its base in Jonglei State County of Akobo**

The United Nations Mission in South Sudan strongly condemns today's attack on its base in the Jonglei State town of Akobo by unknown assailants. At the time, 43 Indian peacekeepers, six UN police advisers and two civilians of the UN were present at the base. About 30 South Sudanese had sought shelter from the turmoil plaguing areas of Akobo County.

UNMISS is doing everything possible to ascertain the circumstances surrounding the assault on its base in Akobo and secure the safety of its personnel who remain there. The Mission will dispatch its aircraft early on Friday morning to evacuate UN personnel. The Mission fully expects all forces, whatever their allegiance, to ensure the safety of UNMISS personnel and any civilians located inside Mission premises.

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