SRSG Statement on Abyei

The Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General (SRSG) for the Sudan deplores the recent fighting in Abyei, which constitutes a clear violation of the letter and spirit of the Kadugli Agreements of 13 and 17 January 2011. He urges the parties to recommit themselves to the full implementation of the Agreements, including the establishment of the agreed High-Level Implementation Committee and its effective functioning as a mechanism to contain such incidents and prevent their recurrence. UNMIS stands ready to assist the parties in this endeavor. The SRSG further urges the two parties to expedite agreement on the settlement of the Abyei issue as promised by the Presidency last month.