



UNMIS Statement

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UNMIS Statement on situation in Jonglei State

The United Nations Mission in Sudan expresses its growing concern over the consequences of ongoing operations by the Sudan People's Liberation Army against the rebel forces in Jonglei State and the impact it is having on civilian populations of the area.

While the Government of Southern Sudan has a responsibility to address a security threat within its territory, it must do so in accordance with international humanitarian law and allow UNMIS to access victims of the conflict.

UNMIS calls on all parties to refrain from any actions and activities that may result in the harm of civilians or that may endanger their lives and property.

UNMIS further appeals to all groups to allow unhindered access to these areas in order to assess the humanitarian situation and immediate needs on the ground.