Results Management and Announcement Process

**REFERENDUM CENTRE**
- Count conducted according to procedures in the polling and counting manual immediately following the close of polls on the final day of polling, and in the presence of observers
- Results Form Completed
- One copy of Results Form displayed in public view and declared as preliminary results for the Referendum Centre
- Forms packed in Tamper Evident Bags and sent to County Sub-Committee (State Referendum Committee in Northern Sudan and Country Office in OCV)

**Southern Sudan**
- **County Sub-Committee**
  - Materials received from Referendum Centres, checked and recorded
  - Ballot boxes stored unopened with seals intact
  - Referendum Centre results aggregated, displayed for public viewing and declared as "Results for the County"
  - After materials from all Referendum Centres are received, they are sent with the county-level results to the State High Committee
  - Estimated 16-20 January, 2011

- **State High Committee**
  - Materials received, checked and recorded
  - County Sub-Committee results aggregated, displayed for public viewing and declared as “Results for the State”
  - Materials received from Counties are sent in batches to the Data Centre in Juba, the last batch includes the state-level results
  - Estimated 17-21 January, 2011

- **Data Centre Juba**
  - Verifies results from each Referendum Centre through a double-blind data entry system with additional quality control checks
  - Summary of results and turnout figures displayed progressively and posted on SSRC/SSRB website
  - After all Referendum Centre results have been entered, verified and approved by the SSRB, SSRB declares them as “Results for Southern Sudan”
  - Estimated January 31, 2011

**OCV**
- **Country Office**
  - Materials received from polling stations, checked and recorded
  - Materials received from polling stations are sent to the Data Centres in Khartoum and Juba immediately after being checked and recorded
  - Polling station results aggregated, displayed for public viewing and declared as “Results for the Country”
  - Estimated 17-21 January, 2011

- **Data Centre Khartoum**
  - Verifies results from each Referendum Centre (North) and Polling Station (OCV) through a double blind data entry system with additional quality control checks
  - Summary of results and turnout figures displayed progressively and posted on SSRC/SSRB website
  - After all Referendum Centre/polling station results are entered, verified and approved by the SSRC, SSRC declares them as “Results for Other Locations”
  - Estimated 21-24 January, 2011

**Northern Sudan**
- **State Referendum Committee**
  - Materials received from Referendum Centres, checked and recorded
  - Materials from Referendum Centres are sent to the Data Centre in Khartoum immediately after being checked and recorded
  - Referendum Centre results aggregated, displayed for public viewing and declared as “Results for the State”
  - Estimated 16-20 January, 2011

**International Courier**
- Secure File Transfer

**COURT**
- Voters have 3 days from the SSRC’s Declaration of Preliminary Results for the Referendum to appeal the results of the Referendum Centre where they voted to the Supreme Court of Sudan or the Supreme Court of Southern Sudan
- The Court has 7 days hear the appeal, take a decision, and inform the SSRC of its decision

- Takes into consideration any decisions on appeals issued by the Court
- 48 hours after close of the appeal period, SSRC issues Declaration of “Final Referendum Results”
- Estimated 6 February if there are no appeals, 14 February if there are appeals

After declaring the “Results for Other Locations” and receiving the “Results for Southern Sudan,” SSRC aggregates both results and declares the “Preliminary Results for the Referendum.” Estimated 1 February, 2011