## **AGREEMENT**

ON

COMMUNITY PEACE AND RECONCILIATION DIALOGUE

AMONG

THE COMMUNITIES OF DIDINGA, KATEBO AND LORUAMA
OF BUDI AND IKWOTO COUNTIES,

EASTERN EQUATORIA STATE,

**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN** 

HELD FROM 29<sup>TH</sup> TO 31<sup>ST</sup> OF JANUARY, 2015

IN LOTOME, LOSITE PAYAM OF IKWOTO COUNTY

ORGANIZED BY CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF TORIT, JUSTICE AND PEACE PROGRAM

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We the representatives of Didinga, Katebo and Loruama people met in Lotome, Losite Payam of Ikwoto County between 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2015, under the mediation of Caritas – Torit/ Catholic Diocese of Torit, supported by Pax for a peace and reconciliation dialogue, committing ourselves to previous peace and reconciliation resolutions, we do hereby resolve as follows;

- 1. Recognizing the importance of our mutual peace, security and adverse effects of violence, we shall renounce permanently any resort to cattle raiding, revenge killings and any form of violence in our communities (communities, government and development partners)
- 2. We hereafter allow freedom of movement of our people among our communities without any hindrance or threat of violence. We also agree to stop road ambushes immediately (by youth)
- 3. Cease permanently from cattle raiding/theft, killings and any form of violence. We shall jointly ensure that criminals among our communities who involve in these acts are reported to relevant authorities (by youth and chiefs)
- 4. We also strongly denounce violence as a form of problem solving. We shall follow the conventional government structures to address any form of conflict among us (government and communities)
- 5. Didinga criminals in Losite Payam should be returned back to BUDI County. These include Aji, Lonyuc, Lokinga and Lodil (by government and relevant communities)
- 6. The County Councilors of BUDI and Ikwoto County shall enact by-laws to protect and safeguard peace and security among these communities (by County Councilors of BUDI and Ikwoto)
- 7. We also agree that stolen cattle, when identified shall be returned to their rightful owners by the communities with the help of relevant authorities
- 8. The parties also agree to share grazing and water points in Kidepo valley amicably. The chiefs shall ensure that there is continuous dialogue in so far as sharing these resources are concerned (chiefs and youth)
- 9. The communities also agreed that tracking of the stolen cattle be enforced. The forces and the affected communities come together in pursuit of the

- stolen cattle. Timely reporting by the peace committees in the kraals or villages in order to enable tracking easy (government and communities)
- 10. The County authorities of both Ikwoto and BUDI Counties shall lobby with development partners to ensure that the disadvantaged and idle youths are engaged in productive activities so that they are deterred from criminal acts. For example a school should be constructed in Kidepo valley (County authorities of BUDI and Ikwoto)
- 11. Ban of consumption of illicit alcohol (guu) be enforced by the Government
- 12. Follow up meetings in both Counties should be conducted regularly to maintain the peace (partners, communities and government)
- 13. Community peace and reconciliation dialogue should be conducted between the Logir and Didinga as soon as possible (CDOT, partners and government)

Signed:

Hon. Sam Felix Makuja

Commissioner BUDI County,

Eastern Equatoria State

Hon. Peter Lokeng Lotone

Commissioner Ikwoto County,

Eastern Equatoria State

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Fr. Elias Loikoi Achobe (PC Rep Ikwoto)

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Witnessed by:

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Minister of Local Government

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Eastern Equatoria State

Hon. Claudio Suleiman Liling

Chairman State Peace Commission

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