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**SOUTH SUDAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES
STATEMENT REGARDING THE DECISION BY THE SWEDISH PROSECUTION AUTHORITY
TO BRING CHARGES AGAINST OIL COMPANY LUNDIN ENERGY FOR AIDING AND
ABETTING WAR CRIMES COMMITTED IN SOUTH SUDAN**

“Learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, and please the widow's cause,” (Isaiah 1:17). Because “He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?” (Micah 6:8).

South Sudan Council of Churches (SSCC) respectful of the decision by the Swedish authorities to bring charges against Oil Company Lundin energy for aiding and abetting war crimes committed in South Sudan. There is no peace without justice, no reconciliation outside the truth, no forgiveness without repentance. Many grave crimes have been committed against our people in South Sudan and peace remains elusive without justice, truth and repentance. It is encouraging to know that the Swedish authorities have decided to hold the oil company Lundin Energy to account for its role during the civil war. The CHURCH stood and will always stand with the victims of oil exploitation twenty years ago and they still do today. Victims of abuses in villages and homes around the oil fields have the right to access to remedy and reparation. We hold the Swedish court system in high esteem and trust its wisdom. We pray that the trial will help to heal the wounds of our brothers and sisters in Unity State and pave the road for forgiveness and reconciliation.

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