



## Joint NGO Statement on the Conflict in South Sudan

*On the Occasion of the September 25 Ministerial High-Level Meeting on South Sudan during the 69<sup>th</sup> Session of the United Nations General Assembly*

As the humanitarian toll of South Sudan's nine-month civil war mounts, it is clear that member states attending today's UNGA side event cannot positively influence outcomes in South Sudan without significantly enhancing their leverage over the warring parties. Achieving a permanent cessation of hostilities, a meaningful peace agreement, and unimpeded humanitarian access will be impossible so long as South Sudanese leaders disregard the suffering of their own people. More strategic international pressure on the leadership is critical to bring about lasting peace for the people of South Sudan.

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