

Dr. Wani Igga investigating communal conflict excludes Ma'adi of Eastern Equatoria

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The People's Democratic Movement (PDM) decries President Salva Kiir regime's continuing incompetence and inability to get a grip on causes of continuing communal conflict and violence in South Sudan. The warning by PDM of looming violence in the GPAA by invading and heavily armed youth from Jonglei has come to pass, unheeded.

The Republican Order No. 20/2020AD issued by the President setting out a committee chaired by the Vice President Dr. Wani Igga to investigate the root causes of communal armed violence in Jonglei between Nuer, Dinka and Murle, is coming too late, too little and leaves the Ma'adi community of Eastern Equatoria out in the cold.

The heavily armed Bor Dinka's cattle herder's footprint, with thousands of cattle driven in lorries to Ma'adi corridor and Nimule, against the local communities outcry, has unfortunately to no avail, landed on President's deaf ears to act. These armed Bor community cattle herders are stoking and stalking conflict in far away from Jonglei Ma'adi land. However, to date, no Republican order has been issued by President Salva Kiir to investigate Ma'adi community grievances, land occupation and dispossession of locals by heavily armed Bor communities. The evidence suggests that a Republican order would only be issued after armed violence that is stalking peace in Ma'adi land breaks out in full circle.

Vice President Dr. Wani Igga, without vested political decision powers to exercise, appears to have no thought or scope to extend a hand to Ma'adi community's outcry to be heard!

A republican committee charged with a public inquiry into root causes of communal violence, cannot be localized to Jonglei alone when Jonglei communities are also stalking conflict in far away Ma'adi community areas in Eastern Equatoria. This public inquiry committee headed by VP Dr. Wani Igga falls short of all expectations to be a joined up and holistic in its scope and approach to addressing the rampant violence and communal conflict in the country and its root causes.

VP Dr. Wani Igga's public inquiry committee into communal violence in Jonglei is dead at birth, another missed and too many wasted opportunities of inept committees for burying legitimate grievances, without policy initiatives for action to meet public expectations.

The People's Movement urges our communities to support an alternative People's South Sudan NADAFA Government which will put your Human & Peoples Rights first to guarantee and protect people exercise of legitimate political power over affairs of their existence and governance in a new social covenant which repairs our country's social fabric for peaceful co-existence with each other.

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