## The People's Coalition for Civil Action

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Hon. Paul Mayom Akec Minister Ministry of Interior Juba, South Sudan

Hon. Paul,

## Subject: Notification on Planned Peaceful Demonstrations

We write with gratitude and appreciation for the hard work of the Ministry of Interior trying to keep the people of South Sudan and their properties safe. We the members of the People's Coalition for Civil Action (PCCA) write to put the Ministry of Interior on notice that the people of South Sudan plan to hold peaceful demonstrations on the 30<sup>th</sup> of August 2021 across the country.

These non-violent demonstrations are aimed at registering people's dissatisfaction with the performance of the government and the failure of President Kiir and Dr. Riek Machar to exercise leadership. Our demands are spelled out clearly in the communication related to the National Awakening Day dated the 13<sup>th</sup> of August 2021. It is readily available in the public domain, and we request that you acquaint yourself with its content.

By this notice, we request your office and authority to ensure that the people of South Sudan and their properties are protected during these demonstrations. We also expect the police to keep law and order on the streets so that no one threatens peaceful protestors.

The people of South Sudan are granted the right to protest by the Transitional Constitution of South Sudan 2011 as amended. Article 2 of our Constitution vested sovereignty of South Sudan in its people. At this time of great need, we the people of South Sudan invoke our sovereign power to challenge a failing government and leadership. Article 4 Sub Article 3 of our Constitution gives us the power to resist any person or group of persons trying to undermine people's sovereign power given by the Constitution.

Articles 24 and 25 of the Constitution gives all citizens of South Sudan the right to freedom of expression and media as well as freedom of assembly and association. We therefore invoke these rights at this hour of need.

We write to the Ministry Interior in accordance with Article 155 Sub Article 2 (a & b) which mandates the Police Service to keep law and public order, protect the people and their properties and to enforce the constitution.

With Gratitude.

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