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Updates on the unfolding situation in Sudan

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His Excellency Salva Kiir Mayardit, President of the Republic of South Sudan continues to monitor the situation in the Sudan closely. The President also maintains the call by IGAD Heads of State and Government during their virtual meeting on Sunday, April 16, 2023 on the warring parties to cease hostilities immediately.

The cessation of hostilities will provide a conducive environment not only for the civilian trap inside their home to access essential supplies, but it will also allow IGAD delegation to travel to Khartoum to engage the Sudanese leaders in order to end the crisis.

This afternoon, His Excellency Salva Kiir Mayardit, President of the Republic of South Sudan was able to reach the Chairperson of the Sudan Sovereign Council, General Abdel Fattah al-Burhan and His Deputy General Mohamed Hamdan Dagalo. In his discussion with both leaders, President Kiir persuaded them to agree to a humanitarian ceasefire. The discussion ended with both parties agreeing to a 24-hour ceasefire, starting at 18 hours or 6:00 p.m. Sudanese local time. This window will allow civilians to access essential supplies and also provide a safe window for the wounded to be taken to hospitals for medical attention.