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Statement

Since the conflict started between Ngok Dinka and Twic on 2022, many evidences proof Twic Community Armed Youth of Warrap State and Gai Machiek Rebels responsible for all the attacks, ambushes, livestock raiding, burning of houses, kidnapping, raping and assassinations of Ngok Dinka population and government officials inside the Abyei Box.

Abyei Special Administrative Area Government, would like to bring to the attention of the peace loving people of South Sudan, all the security organs, and the International community, that the Twic County youth, Civil Society Groups and Chiefs have been staging rallies across Twic County in rejection of the Presidential Orders, refusing expulsion of Gai Machiek from Twic County, which constitute a clear violation of Presidential Orders,

These demonstrations by Twic have encourage Gai Machiek militia and Twic youth to commit the crime within Abyei Box after the Presidential Orders was issued as follows:

- Burning of the entire Agok neighborhood in Rumamer county on date 15th January 2024,
- On the 19th October 2023, the Twic Armed youth plotted the assassination of Hon. Mayot Kunit, which was executed by the Gai Machiek armed Nuer Youth together with Titweng of Twic Dinka,
- On the 31st December 2023, The same of Gai Machiek militia and the Titweng of Twic Dinka, plotted another assassination of the Deputy Chief Administrator, Hon. Noon Deng Nyok with his entourage,

- On January 17th, 2023 raided Missirya and Ngok Dinka goats in Ameth Agok County of Abyei Special Administrative Area and led them to Ajak-Kuac in Twic County,
- Kidnapping of ten women and raiding of about 50 goats on 19th January 2024 and they were released at Bombil, but the stolen livestock were taken to Ajak-Kuac.
- On 27th Jan 2024, Gai Machiek Rebels ambushed Abyei Special Administrative Area returnees from Abiennhom to Abyei in Kolnolnyang, which resulted to the killing of 13 innocent souls,
- At around 11:00 AM on January 27th 2024, infiltrated Rebels to Nuer (IDPs Camp) in Nyinkuac opening fire on the Community Protection Committee CPC. Unprovoked and simultaneously the infiltrated rebels attacked the towns' of Kathian, Macboun and Juoljok bringing the dead to total of 52 and the 64 wounded.
- Both the Twic County of warrap and the Gai Machiek received the perpetrators of these heinous crimes in Ajak-Kuac with heroic welcoming and celebrations.

Therefore, with all the above evidences, it is not possible with a person of sound mind to denied the existing of coordination in executing these attacks on Ngok Dinka Civil population in order to destabilized the Abyei Special Administrative Area.

The Abyei Special Administrative Area, Government considers the press release made by the Warrap State Minister of Information, dated 30th Jan 2024 as baseless and an act of cover-up in order to hide the truth and incitement to violence at the same time.

To that effect, the ASAA would like to get clarification from the Government of Warrap State about the Hon. State Minister of Information Statement and the alleged investigation conducted by Warrap Government on the incident in Abyei and how was the investigation done without consulting or involving the ASAA government?!

Finally, ASAA welcomed the Presidential Order as a good gesture and a way to bring about peace and stability to the two warring communities and call upon Warrap Government to coordinate with Abyei Administration in implementation of the Presidential Orders, More, ASAA call upon the relevant security institutions to

expedite the deployment of Neutral Forces to start the implementation of the Presidential Orders for a peaceful settlement of the conflict between Ngok Dinka Twic.

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