



REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN The President

Fellow Citizens, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Today, we stand in silence and observance of 30th July 2024 (Martyr's day) in the Memory of those who gave their lives in the struggle for the independence of this great country and the land of great abundance.

On this occasion of the commemoration day, let's praise, recognize the veterans and martyrs of our beloved country, who sacrificed their lives for the sake of liberating this country, and at the same time, secured the dignity and pride of the Republic of South Sudan and its people.

Fellow Country men and Women,

South Sudan's independence did not just appear out of nowhere as an instant achievement, but it came as sacrifice from the gallant sons and daughters of our country who laid down their precious lives in liberating our country. This magnificent day, the 30th of July, comes each year to let us pay rich tributes in particular to our fallen heroes, who have always been nation's hope and pride.

Fellow Citizens, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Our Country need long lasting peace. Let me reiterate, our desire for peace must not be misconstrued as weakness rather it must be reciprocated for sake of economic wellbeing and peoples' prosperity in the entire region. I would like to welcome the peace-loving nations across the globe to join me in this commemoration day.

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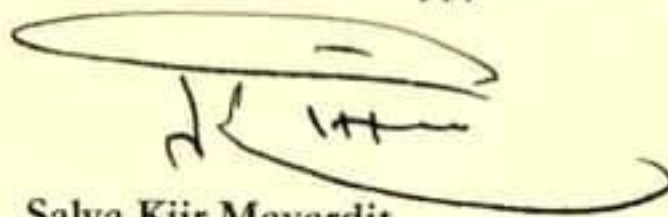
My message on this day is that we came together from a long way in the struggle for making South Sudan strong and rock solid. Our resilient nation and battle-hardened Armed Forces have time and again proved that we are fully capable of defending the country and ready to meet any kind of eventuality. Let us always cherish the flame of 30th July in our hearts and minds, which is enough to stand tall and triumphant in face of challenges in our way.

On Martyrs' Day, we gratefully remember the countless freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for our Independence. Their ideals continue to motivate the brave people of South Sudan. While it is time to remind ourselves about the true implications of their ultimate sacrifice; let me congratulate our basketball team, the Bright Stars who are the greatest ambassadors of the Republic of South Sudan.

Congratulations in advance!!

Finally, I would like to use this occasion to remind ourselves to work hard to achieve peace, prosperity and togetherness in this great Republic of South Sudan. Let's put our nation first above the individual interests for sake of our future generations.

May God bless the Republic of South Sudan and a happy commemoration!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Salva Kiir Mayardit', written over a large, stylized oval flourish.

Salva Kiir Mayardit

President of the Republic of South Sudan.