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IGAD Receives Update on President Salva Kiir's Sudan Ceasefire and Mediation Efforts.

April 27, 2023 (DJIBOUTI, Djibouti): H.E. Salva Kiir Mayardit, the President of the Republic of South Sudan and the lead Intergovernmental Authority on Development's (IGAD) mediation team of the Assembly of Heads of States and Government yesterday evening (26 April 2023) shared a comprehensive update on his efforts on his engagement with General Al-Burhan of Sudan Armed Forces (SAF) and General Mohamed Dagalo of Rapid Support Forces (RSF) of the Republic of Sudan.

In his update, the President welcomed the efforts of the USA and Saudi Arabia to secure a 72-hour humanitarian ceasefire from 24-27 April and IGAD's call for the ceasefire extension by another 72 hours from 28-30 April 2023 and a call to dialogue.

"I appreciated and commended President Kiir's consistent engagement and support to IGAD mediation efforts and I am confident that with the Assembly's and international community's continued efforts and dedication will help stop the fighting and de-escalate the situation", " said Dr Workneh.

The Executive Secretary reaffirmed the IGAD Assembly's decision during their 40th Extraordinary Emergency Session of 16 April 2023 underscoring the need for immediate cessation of hostilities, de-escalation and return to the negotiating table, and to allow the high-level IGAD peace-mission to take place without any further delay.

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