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### **IGAD Executive Secretary Announces the Appointment of Hon. Lawrence Korbandy as the IGAD Special Envoy for the Republic of Sudan**

**March 26, 2024 (Djibouti, Djibouti):** Following the resolution of the 41st Extraordinary Summit of the IGAD Assembly and in consultation with the Chair of the Assembly, Republic of Djibouti, the Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), H.E. Dr. Workneh Gebeyehu, announces the appointment of Hon. Lawrence Korbandy of South Sudan as the IGAD Special Envoy for the Republic of Sudan. Dr. Workneh has tasked Hon. Korbandy with a pivotal good offices role, charging him with the responsibility to actively engage, facilitate dialogue, and seek common ground in the Sudan crisis, providing counsel on the path forward.

Hon. Korbandy brings two decades of expertise in governance, international relations, and diplomacy to this pivotal role. His distinguished career spans holding key governmental positions in South Sudan, including serving as the legal advisor to the President of South Sudan and contributing to various governance and legal committees within the government. With a background as a seasoned legal practitioner and diplomat, Hon. Korbandy possesses extensive knowledge of the Horn of Africa, the wider IGAD region, and the Middle East, as well as a deep understanding of the workings of international and regional organizations.

“Hon. Korbandy embodies the qualities essential for promoting dialogue and seeking resolutions, including in his own country. His extensive experience and diplomatic acumen equip him impeccably for the responsibilities entrusted upon him,” said Dr. Workneh in announcing the appointment.

The appointment of Hon. Lawrence Korbandy as the IGAD Special Envoy for the Republic of Sudan underscores IGAD’s commitment to addressing the Sudan crisis through diplomatic channels. IGAD remains dedicated to supporting peaceful initiatives aimed at enhancing regional stability and fostering cooperation.



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