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OFFICIAL PRESS STATEMENT BY THE POLITICAL PARTIES COUNCIL (PPC)  
REGARDING THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE ELECTION CODE OF CONDUCT AND DEPLOYMENT OF REGIONAL  
ELECTION OFFICIALS

**JUBA, REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN,** The Political Parties Council (PPC) is pleased to announce to the public, political stakeholders, and members of the media that during its plenary session held today, Tuesday, June 16, 2026, the Council successfully reviewed, passed, and officially endorsed the **Elections Code of Conduct** for all registered political parties in the Republic of South Sudan.

Furthermore, to ensure effective decentralized operations and strict regulatory compliance across the country, the Council has formally approved the appointment and deployment of **State and Administrative Area coordinators and inspectors**.

**Key Outcomes of the Meeting:**

- **Unanimous Endorsement of the Code of Conduct:** The Election Code of Conduct serves as a foundational instrument to regulate the activities and ethics of political organizations. It establishes rules of engagement that prioritize democratic integrity, mutual respect, peaceful campaigning, and gender diversity, while explicitly outlawing intimidation, hate speech, and the use of weapons.
- **Decentralization of Electoral Oversight:** The appointment of regional coordinators and inspectors marks a vital operational step. These officials will oversee compliance, monitor political activities locally, and handle inter-party dispute resolutions directly across all states and administrative areas.
- **Fulfillment of Statutory Obligations:** The finalization of these regulatory measures directly implements the Political Parties Act, 2012 (Amended 2022), positioning the country to meet critical institutional milestones ahead of the upcoming democratic polls.

**A Call to Unregistered Political Entities**

During a briefing with journalists following the session, PPC Chairperson **Eng. James Akol Zakayo** emphasized the urgency for political groups to formalize their standing.

Office of the Chair

The Council reminds all political parties that the strict registration deadline remains **June 30, 2026**. Parties failing to fully register and align with the newly endorsed Code of Conduct by this date will legally forfeit their eligibility to contest in the December 2026 general elections.

The Council expresses its gratitude to all political groups, civil society actors, and international partners including the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) for their collaborative input and continuous support in shaping a credible democratic transition.



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