

A Letter to the President

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To His Excellency Salva Kiir Mayardit

President of the Republic of South Sudan

Juba, South Sudan

Mr. President,

I am writing this from the dust of Juba, a city that stands as a testament to the long, hard road of our people. I write as a citizen of the world's youngest nation—a land of 11 million souls who have known more war than peace, yet whose hearts beat with an irrepressible dream of stability. We are a nation born from the ashes of struggle, a people whose history is written in the soil of our fertile lands and the courage of our ancestors.

We are a nation of untapped promise. Look at our people—the resilience of our farmers who work the land despite the shadows of conflict, and the vitality of our youth who long for schools, not trenches. In the corners of our country where peace holds, you see the true face of South Sudan: a spirit that is hungry for growth, a

culture that is rich with heritage, and a determination that refuses to fade. Our medical staff, often working without basic supplies, are our unsung heroes, holding together the fragments of our healthcare system with nothing but their compassion and duty.

But, Mr. President, this potential is being suffocated by a cycle of instability. Our youth are tired of picking up weapons; they want to pick up tools, pens, and trade. The economy is paralyzed by insecurity, meaning the wealth of our land—our oil, our vast agricultural potential, and our natural resources—remains a promise rather than a reality. We are tired of being defined by the conflicts of the past. We want to be defined by the stability of our future.

We don't need more political maneuvering; we need a state that serves its people. We need roads that connect our villages to the markets, schools that are open and safe for our children, and hospitals that have more than just hope. We need a government that protects every citizen, regardless of their background, and fosters an environment where an entrepreneur can start a business without the fear of loss.

Mr. President, you have a historic responsibility. The people of South Sudan have paid a price that no generation should ever have to pay. Do not let that sacrifice be in vain. Open the door to a genuine, lasting peace. Build a nation where our children can dream of being doctors, teachers, and builders—not refugees.

The Republic is waiting for its dawn. Are you ready to lead us into it?

With the persistent hope of a patriot,

A Concerned Citizen of South Sudan

Sovereign Performance Audit: South Sudan (June 2026)

Sector

Score

Summary

Political Stability

1.0

Extremely fragile; peace agreements are frequently tested by local and national frictions.

Economic Development

1.0

Heavily reliant on oil; inflation and insecurity make formal economic growth nearly impossible.

Social Infrastructure

0.5

Devastated; one of the highest child mortality rates and lowest literacy rates in the world.

National Resilience

3.0

Remarkable; the population demonstrates incredible endurance in the face of near-constant crisis.

Final Verdict: 1.37 / The Fragile Frontier.

South Sudan is a nation in a state of chronic transition. Governance is severely challenged by the lack of institutional capacity and ongoing security issues. The mandate for 2026 is absolute: shift from conflict management to basic institution-building, or the country will remain a cycle of missed opportunities.

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