



Declaration on Amendment of the Pact on Security, Stability and Development in the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) related to the Accession of the Republic of South Sudan to ICGLR Membership

We, Heads of State and Government of Member States of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) meeting in Kampala, Uganda, on 24 November 2012, during the Extraordinary Summit called to consider the security situation in Eastern DRC;

RECALLING our Decision made during the 4th Extraordinary Summit held in Kampala, Uganda, on 8th October 2012 in respect to the Admission of the Republic of South Sudan as a member of the ICGLR;

CONSIDERING the Uganda Proposal for amendment of the Pact dated 6th October 2012 as submitted by H.E Sam K. Kutesa, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uganda, and Chairperson of the Regional Inter- Ministerial Committee on behalf of the Uganda Government;

FURTHER considering the communiqué of the Regional Inter-Ministerial Committee Meeting (RIMC) held in Kampala, Uganda, on 20th November 2012 regarding the Accession to ICGLR membership of the Republic of South Sudan;

IN CONFORMITY with Article 34 of the ICGLR Pact on Security, Stability and Development in the Great Lakes Region;

Hereby:

1. Adopt the Uganda Proposal submitted on 6th October 2012 to amend the Pact to pave way for the membership of the Republic of South Sudan to the ICGLR;
2. Henceforth the relevant Article 1(b) and (d) of the Pact shall read as follows;
 - a) Article 1 (b) Great Lakes Region: “The region composed of the whole of the territories of the *twelve* core Member States of the Conference”.
 - b) 1(d) Member States: “The twelve core Member States of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region, namely: Republic of Angola, Republic of Burundi, Central African Republic, Republic of the Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Republic of Kenya, Republic of Rwanda, *Republic of South Sudan*, Republic of the Sudan, United Republic of Tanzania, Republic of Uganda, and the Republic of Zambia;”

Done in Kampala, Uganda, on 24 November 2012 in the English and French Languages both texts being equally authentic.

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President of the Republic of Angola

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H.E. PIERRE NKURUNZIZA
President of the Republic of Burundi

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H.E. FRANÇOIS BOZIZE
President of the Central African Republic

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H.E. DENIS SASSOU-NGUESSO
President of the Republic of Congo

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H.E. JOSEPH KABILA KABANGE
President of the Democratic Republic
of Congo

Mwai Kibaki
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H.E. MWAI KIBAKI
President of the Republic of Kenya

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H.E. PAUL KAGAME
President of the Republic of Rwanda

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H.E. OMAR HASSAN AHMED EL BASHIR
President of the Republic of the Sudan

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H.E. JAKAYA MRISHO KIKWETE
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H.E. YOWERI KAGUTA MUSEVENI
President of the Republic of Uganda

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H.E. MICHAEL CHILUFYA SATA
President of the Republic of Zambia