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NATIONAL ELECTIONS COMMISSION
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Announcement of the Modified Elections' Time-frame

The National Elections Commission (NEC) has been deliberating and observing the circumstances relating to the national elections and has accordingly decided on the modifications of the previous time-frame based on the following:

- Elections process consists of several consecutive stages specifically stipulated in the National Elections Act, 2008.
- Announcement of the population census and submission of its results to NEC was delayed for about one and half month.
- As soon as NEC received the results of the population census from the Presidency, it started the first stage of the electoral process which is the demarcation of the geographical constituencies.
- The time lapse specified in the Elections Act are closely observed.
- The rainy season (July – October) shall be utilized in training, education and raising awareness of the electorate and other stakeholders.
- Registration stage shall start immediately after the rainy season which will facilitate the registration process.
- The consecutive stages of nomination, electoral campaign, polling, sorting and announcement of results shall follow and the election process shall end by the middle of April 2010.
- Modification of the time-frame allows the execution of voter registration after the rainy season.
- Allows time for voter and civic education before the launching of the electoral campaign.
- Follows the establishment of the High Committees and Election Officers.
- Secures wider donor technical and material support to the electoral process.

Subject: North-South Borders:
Potential Areas of Potential Conflict

1. North-South Borders are as they stood on 1st January, 1956. The authority for this statement is:

- The Independence Constitution, 1956;
- The Addis Ababa Agreement, 1972;
- The Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CAP), 2005;
- The Interim National Constitution, 2005.

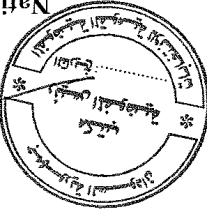
2. Areas of potential conflict in North-South Borders include:

- An area north of Kodok near Kaka in Upper Nile State. Musa Mek Kur was governor of Upper Nile. That was in the 1990s. Here Kordofan eastern border is extended up to the western bank of the River Nile.
- Area of Pan-Thau (currently known as Igligi) in Unity State – Kordofan State Border. It became a conflict area in 1970/1980s. This conflict was resolved by a Presidential Committee, headed by the Chief Justice and included the Minister of Legal Affairs of the High Executive Council, Southern Sudan.
- An Area in Northern Bahr El Ghazal State-Southern Darfur State Border on both banks of the River Kfir.
- Area of Kafie-kinji (or Hofrat El Nahas). It was under Bahr El Ghazal Province administration, Raga District, at Independence, on 1st January, 1956. It was transferred to Darfur Province, by President Ibrahim Abboud, vide a Presidential Order, in 1961. The area was retransferred to Bahr El Ghazal Region in 1972, in line with the relevant provisions of the Addis Ababa Agreement.

3. There are other areas in the North-South Borders that may be of potential conflict. These too should be scrutinized by the North-South Border Commission.

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4. (a) The President of the Republic presented the Census results to the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the Commission, on 6th May, 2009. The President's assistants, the first Vice President and Vice President were present in the ceremony of presentation of the Census results.
- (b) In the meeting the President told the Chairman of NEC and his Deputy that the results of demarcation of North-South Borders would be completed on paper in September and on ground in December, 2009. This means there may have to be need to readjust some geographical constituencies at the North-South Borders, in the light of demarcation.
5. Relevant authorities, including the office of the Presidency, the two partners to the C.P.A. and North-South Border Commission, to take note of these comments.

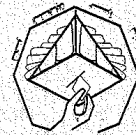
Date	Election Process	Act
Wed. 10/6/2009 - Thu. 9/7/2009 (30) days	Demarcation of constituencies	Period proposed by RCTC
Fri. 10/7/2009	First publication of constituency demarcation	Article 39(1)
Sun. 12/7/2009 - Mon. 10/8/2009 (30) days	Objections to constituencies demarcation	Article 39(2)
Mon. 10/8/2009 - Sat. 15/8/2009 (5) days	Consideration of objections and proposals by NEC.	Period recommended by RCTC
Sun. 16/8/2009	Second publication including amendments of boundaries of geographical constituencies.	Article 39(3)
Mon. 17/8/2009 - Sun. 30/8/2009 (14) days	Submission of objections to courts	Article 40
Mon. 31/8/2009 - Sun. 6/9/2009 (6) days	Courts decisions on boundaries of geographical constituencies.	
Mon. 7/9/2009 - Sun. 12/9/2009 (5) days	Amendments of constituencies' boundaries after issuance of courts decisions. Preparation of final draft of boundaries of constituencies.	

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Sun. 13/9/2009 – Sat. 31/10/2009 (45) days	Preparation for registration and training of participants in the elections process.	
Sun. 1/11/2009 – Mon. 30/11/2009 (30) days	Registration period.	
Tue. 1/12/2009	First publication of the register.	
Wed. 2/12/2009 – Wed. 9/12/2009 (8) days	Objections to the register.	Article 24(1)
Thu. 10/12/2009 – Tue. 15/12/2009 (5) days	Consideration of objections to the register.	Article 24(2)
Wed. 16/12/2009	Publication of amendments of the register.	
Thu. 17/12/2009 – Thu. 31/12/2009 (15) days	Objections to amendments of the register.	Article 24(3)(B)
Fri. 1/1/2010 – Tue. 5/1/2010 (5) days	Consideration of amendments of the register.	Article 24(4)
Tue. 5/1/2010	Final publication of the register.	
Wed. 6/1/2010 – Sat. 16/1/2010 (11) days	Candidates' applications for nominations.	
Sat. 16/1/2010	Closing date of nominations.	Article 61(1)
Sun. 17/1/2010	Publication of candidates' names.	



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Mon. 18/1/201 - Mon. 25/1/2010 (8) days	Appeals to courts by candidates whose nominations were rejected.	Article 46(1)
Tue. 26/1/2010 - Mon. 1/2/201 (7) days	Courts decisions.	Article 46(2)
Tue. 2/2/2010	Final publication of nominations.	Article 47
Wed. 3/2/2010	Last day for withdrawal of nominations at all levels.	Article 46(2) Article 61(1)
Thu. 4/2/2010 - Sun. 4/4/2010 (60) days	Election campaign period.	Article 64(1)
Mon. 5/4/2010 - Mon. 12/4/2010 (8) days	Polling, sorting and announcement of results	

