

## **CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS**

### **1. Titles and Commencement**

These Regulations may be cited as “the Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly, (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2005” and shall come into force on the date of signature by the Speaker.

### **2. Definitions**

In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words and expressions shall have the meanings hereinafter respectively assigned thereto:

“**Constitution**” Means the Interim Constitution of Southern Sudan, 2005 as adopted by the Assembly.

“**Assembly**” means the Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly;

“**President**” Means the President of the Government of Southern Sudan,

“**Speaker**” Means the Speaker of the Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly;

“**Deputy Speaker**” means the Deputy Speaker of the Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly;

“**Leader of Government Business**” Means the Minister who is a member of the Assembly or a Minister, who is appointed by the President of the Government of Southern Sudan to lead government business in the Assembly,

“**Officer**” includes an official of the Assembly,

“**Visitor**” means any person who is not a member, or officer or other person employed by the Assembly

“**Minister**” Means the Minister appointed by the President of the Government of Southern Sudan to discharge the functions of a Ministry,

“**Clerk of Assembly**” Means the Chief Administrative officer of the assembly.

“**Legal Advisor**” means the legal advisor of the Assembly,

“**Sergeant-at-Arms**” Is the Chief Security Officer in the Assembly,

“**Police of the Assembly**” means the force responsible for keeping order in the Assembly in accordance with the directions of the Sergeant-at-Arms,

**“Chairperson”** means the person presiding over a Committee of the whole Assembly or any other Committee of the Assembly

**“Committee”** means a Committee of the whole Assembly, a Standing Committee, a Select Committee or any other Committee of the Assembly

**“Sitting”** means a period during which the Assembly is sitting continuously without adjournment and includes any period during which it is in a Committee,

**“Motion”** means a proposal made by a member or a Minister for consideration or deliberation by the Assembly on any matter within its competence,

**“Member”** means a Member of the Assembly and includes a minister,

**“Session”** is a period when the Assembly commences its sittings until prorogued or adjourned;

**“Lobby”** means the corridors immediately adjoining the main Assembly Hall,

**“Bill”** means the draft of an Act of Assembly, which includes, both government and a private member’s Bill,

**“Precincts of the Assembly”** means and includes the chamber, lobbies, the gallery and such other places as the Speaker may from time to time specify,

**“Leave of the Assembly”** means any permission given by the Speaker or the Assembly;

**“Resolution”** means a decision of the assembly on any matter presented to it and deliberated upon in accordance with these Regulations