



REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN

Vice President

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On December 19th, 2011 an SPLA Border Patrol at Morobo County clashed with elements that were in company of Lt. Gen. George Athor. This took place around 1800 Hours. George Athor and one other soldier were killed instantly.

George Athor had infiltrated to the South Sudan borders, coming from Rwanda and driving through Eastern Borders of DRC and Uganda. He was in a drive to recruit in Central Equatoria. His body is going to be handed over to his relatives for burial.

I appeal to all the followers of George Athor to heed to the amnesty and pardon declared by the President of the Republic on July 9th, 2011. I also want to reiterate the commitment of the government to the Agreement reached between George Athor Forces/South Sudan Democratic Movement and the Government of the Republic of South Sudan on November 19th, 2011. I call on all who rebelled against the government to lay down their arms and join the process of peace and development.