

## **CHAPTER 11**

### **FUNCTIONS OF THE ASSEMBLY**

3. (1) The Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly represents the will of the people of Southern Sudan and shall foster their unity and that of the nation, exercise legislative functions, oversee the Executive, and promote the decentralized system of government in Southern Sudan.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of sub-Regulation (1) above, the Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly shall exercise the following functions:
- (a) Consider and pass amendments to the Constitution
  - (b) Enact legislations on all matters assigned to it by the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, the Constitution and the Interim National Constitution
  - (c) Discuss statements by the President of the Government of Southern Sudan and take any decisions as may be necessary
  - (d) Authorize annual allocation of resources and revenue
  - (e) Reconsider a bill, which has been rejected by the President of the Government of Southern Sudan
  - (f) Oversee the performance of Southern Sudan Government organs
  - (g) Approve appointments as required by the Constitution or the law
  - (h) Impeach the President and the Vice President of the Government of Southern Sudan
  - (i) Approve plans, programmes and policies of the Government of Southern Sudan
  - (j) Approve the annual budgets
  - (k) Ratify bilateral technical cooperation agreements
  - (l) Adopt resolutions on matters of public concern
  - (m) Summon Ministers to answer questions from members of the Assembly on matters related to their Ministries;
  - (n) Interrogate Minister about their performance or the performance of their Ministries and may cast a vote of no confidence against any Minister;
  - (o) Enact legislations to regulate the conditions and terms of service of the Southern Sudan Judiciary and its oversight mechanisms;

- (p) Oversee Southern Sudan Reconstruction and Development Fund; and
- (q) Perform any other functions determined by the Constitution, the Interim National Constitution or the law.

**4. Seat of the Assembly**

- (1) The Assembly shall hold its sittings at its official premises in Juba. The Speaker may for exceptional reasons call the Assembly to convene in any other place in Southern Sudan;
- (2) Any sitting held contrary to sub-regulation (1) above shall be illegal and the proceedings thereof shall be null and void.