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On the 23rd July 2013 Gen. Salva Kiir Mayardit, the President of the Republic of South Sudan, dissolved his entire cabinet. This was done in complete exercise of his constitutional rights and unswevening commitment to South Sudan's vision for democracy, the rule of law and good governance;

The subsequent restructuring of Ministries was essentially taken to right size the government for better use of resources and enhance better service delivery to the citizens of South Sudan;

President Salva Kiir Mayardit had always referenced the need for a lean Government, since the early days of his Presidency and recently reaffirmed his commitment to fighting corruption a few weeks ago, at South Sudan 2nd Independence Anniversary Celebrations;

Now, two years into his Presidency, he chose this moment to Restructure his Government and lay the Groundwork for a lean and stronger cabinet. This downsizing will create synergies, allow budgets to flow to high priority development projects and also allow for better management by dedicated civil servants. Some of those civil servants who are undersecretaries' of various Ministries are now already charged with running Government functions, pending the formation and announcement of the full and new cabinet;

As for the announcement of a new cabinet, the President is now leading a wide consultative process that brings together all the interests of the nation for its formation and this will be out as soon as it is completed;

In the meantime the President reiterates his call upon all citizens and parties to be patient and continue to trust his leadership. End.