

**CONSTITUTION OF THE PEOPLE'S UNITED
FORUM (PUF)**



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PREAMBLE

We the members of Federal Executive Forum for the People's United Forum are;

Aware of the lack of people centered leadership in South Sudan

Cognizant of suffering facing our people within and outside the country

Motivated by the need to rally people to pursue democracy, establish the rule of law, and alleviate poverty in South Sudan

Now, Therefore, adopt this constitution as a supreme guiding law for the People's United Forum.

Dr. Gai Chol Paul,
Chairman



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ARTICLE I

NAME, HEADQUARTERS, CHARACTERS, AND SYMBOLS

- I.1 1) The name of the organization shall be the
People's United Forum, hereinafter referred to
as PUF
- (2) PUF shall be a corporate body with
perpetual succession and a common seal and
may sue or be sued in its corporate name.
- I.2 The Headquarters of PUF shall be in Juba.
- I.3 The Headquarters of the PUF in any state of
South Sudan shall be the state capital
- I.4 1) PUF is an inclusive, national democratic, and
nonsectarian political organization.

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2) In pursue of its aims and objectives, PUF shall be guided by, but not limited to the following principles:

- a) stewardship
- b) inclusivity
- c) liberty
- d) transparency and accountability

3) PUF believe in supremacy of rule of law and separation of powers

4) PUF believe in federal system of governance

1.5 The PUF corporate color is light green, the logo is a rising sun over the Nile River, the motto is the “The People’s Voice”, and the flag is a light green rectangular shape with the rising sun over the Nile River in the middle of the rectangular.

ARTICLE 2

VISION, MISSION, AND AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

2.1 PUF envisioned a corruption-free, peaceful, democratic, and prosperous South Sudan.

2.2 The mission of PUF is to transform South Sudan from a war-ravaged country to a peaceful, democratic, and prosperous country.

2.3 The aims and objectives of PUF are to:

- a) To empower South Sudanese to claim their democratic rights.
- b) Transform South Sudan from a war-ravaged country to a peaceful, democratic, and prosperous country in Africa.

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- c) Build an inclusive and sustainable economy.
- d) Establish the rule of law and promote the doctrine of separation of powers.
- e) Strengthen the capacities of public and private institutions to eliminate corruption in South Sudan

ARTICLE 3

MEMBERSHIP

3.1 1) Membership of PUF shall be open to all South Sudanese, irrespective of their ethnicities, sex, regions, creed or religion, race, and other sectional division.

2) Every person 18 years and above who subscribes to the ideals and principles of the PUF shall be known as PUF full member.

3) Application for PUF membership shall be in writing and submitted to the relevant PUF office

4) Every new member shall take an Oath of allegiance to PUF

The member shall take the following oath upon joining PUF



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"I,,do hereby swear that I shall abide by, respect, and uphold the vision and mission of the PUF, respect its constitution, and support its manifesto; and that I shall place my energies and skills at the disposal of the party and carry out any task that may be assigned to me and that I shall defend the unity and integrity of the party and its principles, so help me God"

- 5) Membership shall cease if a member
 - a) Resigns.
 - b) Joint other political party
 - c) Dismissed in accordance with the PUF constitutions and the code of conduct.

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A member can be dismissed if found guilty of

- i. Campaigning against the official candidate of the PUF
- ii. Offer materials support to opponent of PUF candidates
- iii. Campaigning for a candidate sponsored by another political party

d) Dies

6). Dismissal of the member shall be after a fair hearing.

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7). A person who wishes to rejoin PUF may apply in accordance with the rules and regulations made under this constitution

3.2 RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS

- l) Subject to the provisions of this constitution, every PUF member shall have a right to:
 - a) Take a full and active part in the discussion, formulation, and implementation of PUF policies at the organ where he/ she belongs.
 - b) Attend meetings of relevant organ where he/she is a member.
 - c) Receive and disseminate information on all aspects of PUF policies and activities.
 - d) Raise and forward opinion about the management and progress of the party

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- e) Take part in elections and be eligible for election to any elective office within the PUF organs
- 2) Every member of PUF shall.
 - a) Belong to and take an active part in the activities of his or her branch.
 - b) Take all necessary steps and means to understand and carry out aims, policies and PUF programs
 - c) Explain the aims, policies, programs, and achievements of PUF to the population
 - d) Fight propaganda detrimental to the interests of PUF and defend its policies, aims and programs.
 - e) Guard against sectarianism, tribal chauvinism, sexism, religious and political intolerance, or any other form of discrimination.

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- f) Promote peace, unity, and solidarity.
- g) Observe discipline, behave honestly, and be loyal to the decisions of the majority of the members of the organ where a member belongs and to the decisions of higher organs within the PUF structures
- h) Refrain from publishing, distributing, or making statements to any media house which purports to be the view or position of PUF without authorization of the organ of PUF where the member belongs.
- i) Adhere to the principle that the PUF interests stand above everything else, subordinating his or her personal interests to the interests of PUF and the nation



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- j) Not to engage in any form of corruption and to pursue the eradication of corruption from our society.
- k) Mobilize for recruitment of members into PUF.
- l) Participate in any activity for purposes of attainment of the objectives and vision of PUF

ARTICLE 4

PUF ORGANS

4.1 I) PUF shall have the following organs.

Policy Organs

- a) The Federal Executive Forum
- b) The State Executive Committee
- c) The County Executive Committee
- d) The Payam Council
- e) The Boma Council
- f) The Municipal Council
- g) The Diaspora Council

The Administrative Organs

- h) National Secretariat
- i) State Secretariat
- a) County Secretariat
- b) Payam Secretariat

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- c) Boma Secretariat
- d) Municipal Secretariat
- e) Diaspora Secretariat

Special Organs

- f) The Women League
- g) The Youth League

The Federal Executive Forum

4.2 There shall be a supreme organ for PUF known as the Federal Executive Forum (FEF) which consist of;

- a) The Chairperson
- b) The deputy chairperson
- c) The Secretary General
- d) The State Secretaries
- e) The Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization

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- f) The Treasurer General
- g) The Chairs of Special organs at the national and state levels
- 6) The Function of the FEF shall be
 - a) Elect the Chairperson, the Deputy Chairperson, and the Secretary General
 - b) Develop PUF policies
 - c) Amend the PUF constitution
 - d) Approve PUF annual budget
 - e) Monitor and evaluate the performance of PUF organs
 - f) Promulgate PUF rules, regulations, or by-laws

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The State Executive Committee.

4.3 There shall be a state executive organ for PUF

known as the State Executive Committee which

consist of;

- a) The State Chairperson
- b) The State Deputy Chairperson
- c) The State Secretary
- d) The State Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization
- e) The State Treasurer
- f) The Chairs of Special organs at the state and county levels

4.4 The Function of the State Executive Committee

shall be

- a) Elect the State Chairperson, the Deputy Chairperson, and the State Secretary



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- b) Approve PUF State annual budget
- c) Monitor and evaluate the performance of
PUF state organs
- d) Ensure the policies of PUF are implemented
at the state level.

The County Executive Committee

4.5 There shall be a county executive organ for PUF
known as the County Executive Committee which
consist of;

- a) The County Chairperson
- b) The County Deputy Chairperson
- c) The County Secretary
- d) The County Secretary for Political Affairs and
Mobilization
- e) The County Treasurer

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- f) The Chairs of Special organs at the county and payam levels

4.6 The Function of the County Executive Committee

shall be

- a) Elect the County Chairperson, the Deputy Chairperson, and the County Secretary
- b) Approve PUF County annual budget
- c) Monitor and evaluate the performance of PUF county organs
- d) Ensure the policies of PUF are implemented at the county level.

The Payam Council

4.7 There shall be a payam executive organ for PUF

known as the Payam Council which consist of;

- a) The Payam Chairperson
- b) The Payam Deputy Chairperson

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- c) The Payam Secretary
- d) The Payam Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization
- e) The Payam Treasurer
- f) The Chairs of Special organs at the Payam and Boma levels

4.8 The Function of the Payam Council shall be

- a) Elect the Payam Chairperson, the Deputy Chairperson, and the Payam Secretary
- b) Approve PUF Payam annual budget
- c) Monitor and evaluate the performance of PUF payam organs
- d) Ensure the policies of PUF are implemented at the payam level.

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The Boma Council

4.9 There shall be a boma executive organ for PUF

known as the Boma Council which consist of;

- a) The Boma Chairperson
- b) The Boma Deputy Chairperson
- c) The Boma Secretary
- d) The Boma Secretary for Political Affairs and
Mobilization
- e) The Boma Treasurer
- f) The Chairs of Special organs at the Boma levels

4.9.1 The Function of the Boma Council shall be

- a) Elect the Boma Chairperson, the Deputy
Chairperson, and the Boma Secretary
- b) Monitor and evaluate the performance of
PUF boma organs

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- c) Ensure the policies of PUF are implemented at the boma level.

The Municipal Council

4.9.2 There shall be a municipal executive organ for PUF known as the Municipal Council which consist of;

- a) The Municipal Chairperson
- b) The Municipal Deputy Chairperson
- c) The Municipal Secretary
- d) The Municipal Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization
- e) The Municipal Treasurer
- f) The Chairs of Special organs at the municipal levels

4.9.3 The Function of the Municipal Council shall be

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- a) Elect the Municipal Chairperson, the Deputy Chairperson, and the Municipal Secretary
- b) Monitor and evaluate the performance of PUF municipal organs
- c) Ensure the policies of PUF are implemented at the municipal level.

The Diaspora Council

4.9.4 There shall be a diaspora executive organ (In a foreign country with at least 15 members) for PUF known as the Diaspora Council which consist of;

- a) The Diaspora Chairperson
- b) The Diaspora Deputy Chairperson
- c) The Diaspora Secretary

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- d) The Diaspora Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization
- e) The Diaspora Treasurer
- f) The Chairs of Special organs at the diaspora levels

4.9.5 The Function of the Diaspora Council shall be

- a) Elect the Diaspora Chairperson, the Deputy Chairperson, and the Diaspora Secretary
- b) Monitor and evaluate the performance of PUF diaspora organs
- c) Ensure the policies of PUF are implemented at the diaspora level.

The National Secretariat

4.9.6 There shall be senior administrative organ for PUF known as the National Secretariat which consist of;

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- a) The Secretary General
- b) The Secretary for Political Affairs and
Mobilization
- c) The Treasurer General
- d) The Deputy Secretary General
- e) The Deputy Treasurer General
- f) The Deputy Secretary of Political Affairs and
Mobilization

4.9.7 The Function of the National Secretariat shall
be;

- a) Run the day-to-day administrative activities of
PUF
- b) Mobilize resources for PUF
- c) Initiate policies and submit them to the FEF for
deliberation and approval

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- d) Mobilize citizens to participate in the PUF and national activities
- e) Management PUF finances and assets
- f) Monitor and evaluate the activities of state secretariats
- g) Implement PUF policies at the country and state levels.

The State Secretariat

4.9.8 There shall be state administrative organ for PUF known as the State Secretariat which consist of;

- a) The State Secretary
- b) The State Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization
- c) The State Treasurer
- d) The State Deputy Secretary
- e) The State Deputy Treasurer

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- f) The State Deputy Secretary of Political Affairs and Mobilization

4.9.9 The Function of the National Secretariat shall be;

- a) Run the day-to-day administrative activities of PUF in the state
- b) Mobilize resources for PUF at the state level
- c) Mobilize citizens to participate in the PUF and state level activities
- d) Management PUF finances and assets at the state level
- e) Monitor and evaluate the activities of county secretariats
- f) Implement PUF policies at the state and county levels.

The County Secretariat

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4.9.10 There shall be county administrative organ for PUF known as the County Secretariat which consist of;

- a) The County Secretary
- b) The County Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization
- c) The County Treasurer
- d) The County Deputy Secretary
- e) The County Deputy Treasurer
- f) The County Deputy Secretary of Political Affairs and Mobilization

4.9.11 The Function of the County Secretariat shall be;

- a) Run the day-to-day administrative activities of PUF in the county level
- b) Mobilize resources for PUF at the county level

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- c) Mobilize citizens to participate in the PUF and county level activities
- d) Management PUF finances and assets at the county level
- e) Monitor and evaluate the activities of payam secretariats
- f) Implement PUF policies at the county and payam levels.

The Payam Secretariat

4.9.12 There shall be payam administrative organ for PUF known as the Payam Secretariat which consist of;

- a) The Payam Secretary
- b) The Payam Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization
- c) The Payam Treasurer

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- d) The Payam Deputy Secretary
- e) The Payam Deputy Treasurer
- f) The Payam Deputy Secretary of Political Affairs
and Mobilization

4.9.13 The Function of the Payam Secretariat shall be;

- a) Run the day-to-day administrative activities of PUF in the payam level
- b) Mobilize resources for PUF at the payam level
- c) Mobilize citizens to participate in the PUF and payam level activities
- d) Management PUF finances and assets at the payam level
- e) Monitor and evaluate the activities of boma secretariats
- f) Implement PUF policies at the payam and boma levels.

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The Boma Secretariat

4.9.14 There shall be boma administrative organ for

PUF known as the Boma Secretariat which

consist of;

- a) The Boma Secretary
- b) The Boma Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization
- c) The Boma Treasurer

4.9.15 The Function of the Boma Secretariat shall be;

- a) Run the day-to-day administrative activities of PUF in the Boma level
- b) Mobilize resources for PUF at the Boma level
- c) Mobilize citizens to participate in the PUF and boma level activities
- d) Management PUF finances and assets at the boma level

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- e) Implement PUF policies at the boma levels.

The Municipal Secretariat

4.9.16 There shall be municipal administrative organ for PUF known as the Municipal Secretariat which consist of;

- a) The Municipal Secretary
- b) The Municipal Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization
- c) The Municipal Treasurer

4.9.17 The Function of the Municipal Secretariat shall be;

- a) Run the day-to-day administrative activities of PUF in the municipality level
- b) Mobilize resources for PUF at the municipality level

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- c) Mobilize citizens to participate in the PUF and municipality level activities
- d) Management PUF finances and assets at the municipality level
- e) Implement PUF policies at the municipality levels.

The Diaspora Secretariat

4.9.18 There shall be diaspora administrative organ for PUF known as the Diaspora Secretariat which consist of;

- a) The Diaspora Secretary
- b) The Diaspora Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization
- c) The Diaspora Treasurer

4.9.19 The Function of the Diaspora Secretariat shall be;

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- a) Run the day-to-day administrative activities of PUF in the diaspora level
- b) Mobilize resources for PUF at the diaspora level
- c) Mobilize citizens to participate in the PUF and diaspora level activities
- d) Management PUF finances and assets at the diaspora level
- e) Implement PUF policies at the diaspora levels.

The Women League

- 4.9.20 1) There shall be a national organization for women members of PUF known as the PUF Women League.
- 2) The Women League shall be open to all PUF women members

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- 3) The Women League shall have structures like those of PUF, with appropriate modifications.
- 4) The Women League shall perform the relevant duties of PUF in their respective localities

The Youth League

- 4.9.21 1) There shall be a national organization for youth members of PUF known as the PUF Youth League.
- 2). The Youth League shall be open to all PUF youth members
 - 3). The Youth League shall have structures like those of PUF, with appropriate modifications.
 - 4). The Youth League shall perform the relevant duties of PUF in their respective localities

ARTICLE 5

FUNCTIONS OF PUF OFFICERS

5.1 I) The FEF Chairperson

The FEF Chairperson shall:

- a) Appoint the other secretaries at the national Secretariat
- b) Be the head of the PUF and the Chairperson of the FEF
- c) Preside over the FEF meetings
- d) Ensure PUF policies and programs are correctly disseminated and implemented
- e) Supervise all PUF organs
- f) In case the office of the Chairperson falls vacant, the Deputy Chairperson shall assume the office of Chairperson and convene an extra-ordinary FEF meeting

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within sixty (60) days to elect a new
Chairperson

2) The Deputy Chairperson

The Deputy Chairperson shall:

- a) Assist the Chairperson in the discharge of his or her functions and duties.
- b) In the absence of the Chairperson, assume responsibility of the PUF leadership.
- c) Perform any other functions and duties that may be assigned to him/her by the Chairperson.
- d) In case the position of a Deputy Chairperson falls vacant, the Chairperson shall temporarily assign a Secretary General to act before the election of new

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Deputy Chairperson is concluded within sixty (60) days to fill the vacancy.

3) The Secretary General

The Secretary General shall:

- a) Be PUF senior administrator and shall be answerable to the Chairperson and the FEF in the performance of his or her functions and duties.
- b) Be the FEF secretary and keep the FEF meetings minutes and records.
- c) In consultation with the Chairperson, recommend the appointment of other secretaries at the National Secretariat
- d) Preside over the meetings of the General Secretariat.

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- e) Receive reports of all PUF secretariats and submit them to the Chairperson.
- f) Organize the FEF meetings and notify all the members.
- g) In case the position of a Secretary General falls vacant, the Chairperson shall temporarily assign a Deputy Secretary General to act before the election of new Secretary General is concluded within sixty (60) days to fill the vacancy.

4) The Treasurer General

The Treasurer General shall:

- a) Be responsible for the development of PUF economic policies
- b) Be the chief custodian of the PUF finances and assets.

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- c) In consultation with the Secretary General, prepare and submit the PUF annual budget to the FEF for approval.
- d) Ensure financial rules are strictly followed as outlined in this constitution.
- e) Keep proper books of accounts in accordance with the PUF financial regulations and internationally accepted accounting standards and practices.
- f) Supervise the collection of membership fee, donation, and grants for PUF.
- g) Ensure that the PUF accounts are audited annually by a competent audit firm approved by the FEF.

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- h) Receive the audit report and submit it to the Secretary General for presentation to the FEF for consideration.
- i) Perform any other functions and duties that may be assigned to him or her by the Secretary General.
- j) In case the position of a Treasurer General falls vacant, the Secretary General shall temporarily assign the Deputy Treasurer General to act before the appointment of the Treasurer General by the Chairperson within sixty (60) days to fill the vacancy.

5) The Secretary of Political Affairs and Mobilization

The Secretary for Political Affairs and Mobilization shall:

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- i. Mobilize the citizens to support the vision, mission, and the PUF programs.
- ii. Monitor the PUF political activities at the national and state levels
- iii. Ensure PUF members adhere to the mission, vision, and code of conduct.
- iv. Translate PUF policies into plans and programs and ensure their implementation.
- v. Compile and disseminate the PUF political messages for public consumption as directed by the Chairperson.
- vi. Lead the training program for PUF cadres
- vii. Perform any other functions and duties that may be assigned by the Secretary General.
- viii. In case the position of a Secretary of Political Affairs and Mobilization falls vacant, the

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Secretary General shall temporarily assign a Deputy Secretary of Political Affairs and Mobilization to act before the appointment of the secretary by the Chairperson within sixty (60) days to fill the vacancy.

6). The Deputy Secretaries at the National Secretariat

The Deputy Secretaries shall:

- i. Perform all the duties of their respective Secretaries in absence of bosses
- ii. Perform any other duties assigned to them by their respective bosses
- iii. In case the position of a Deputy Secretary falls vacant, the Secretary General shall temporarily assign a senior staff from that department to act before the appointment of the Deputy Secretary



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by the Chairperson within sixty (60) days to fill the vacancy.

7) The State and Diaspora officers

The state and diaspora officers shall:

- i. Perform all the relevant duties perform by national officers in their respective organs
- ii. In case the position of state officer falls vacant, the relevant law apply to the national officer position will immediately apply.

8). Oath of allegiance for officers

"I.....(name).....,do hereby swear that I shall as ----(title)----- abide by, respect, and uphold the vision and mission of the PUF and respect its constitution and that I shall perform my functions and duties honestly, diligently, and without fear or favor, so help me God”

ARTICLE 6

FINANCE OF THE PARTY

6.1 Sources of the PUF finance

- 1) Membership and subscription fee from the PUF members
- 2) Donation or contribution by members, well-wishers, or organization as permitted by law
- 3) Returns on the PUF invested assets
- 4) Public generated money through crowd funding
- 5) Contribution from the government in accordance with the laws of South Sudan

6.2 Finance Management

- 1) All PUF generated money shall be kept in a bank account approved by FEF

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- 2) The finance for PUF shall be managed according to the international generally accepted accounting standard
- 3) The PUF Secretariat General shall prepare annual financial reports and submit it to the FEF

6.3 Finance Audit

- 1) All accounts for PUF shall be audited annually by the certified auditing firm approved by the FEF
- 2) The Treasurer General and Secretary General shall accord the auditors to access all the relevant documents for auditing
- 3) The Secretariat General shall share the auditor report with the FEF



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ARTICLE 7

THE ELECTION OF PUF CANDIDATES

7.1 1) All members of PUF who meet the national and state legal requirements shall be eligible to become candidates for PUF at their respective levels.

2) The number of women that should be elected as PUF candidates should be at least 35% in each constituency

3). For every elective position at the national and the state level, there shall be primaries held within the PUF to determine the right candidate as below;

a) **Presidential Candidate**

The presidential candidate shall be elected by the setting of Federal Executive Forum

b) **The Gubernatorial Candidate**



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The gubernatorial candidate shall be elected by the setting of State Executive Committee.

c) **National Parliamentary Candidate**

The national members of parliament shall be elected by all registered members of PUF at their respective constituencies.

d). **County Commissionership Candidate**

The county commissionership candidate shall be elected by the setting of County Executive Committee

e). **State Parliamentary Candidate**

The state members of parliament shall be elected by all PUF registered members at their respective constituencies.

f). **County Councilor Candidate**



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The county members of the council shall be elected by all PUF registered members at their respective constituencies.

g). Mayoral Candidate

The mayoral candidate shall be elected by the setting of the Municipal Council

h). Municipality Councilor Candidate

The municipality councilor candidate shall be elected by all PUF registered members at their respective constituencies.

4). There shall be public campaigns for the stated above primaries.

5). All the primaries stated above shall be by secret ballots.

l) Diaspora Chairpersonship, Deputy, and Secretary General Candidate



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The diaspora chairperson, Deputy, and
Secretary shall be elected by the setting of the
Diaspora Council

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ARTICLE 8

MEETINGS OF PUF ORGANS

8.1 1) The quorum of meeting of any PUF organ shall be the 2/3 (two-third) of that organ.

2). The Federal Executive Forum shall meet every 6 months and at least once a year

3). The State Executive Committee shall meet every 4 months and at least twice a year

4). The County Executive Committee shall meet every 2 months and at least thrice a year

5). The Payam Executive Council shall meet every 2 months and at least thrice a year

6). The Boma Executive Council shall meet every 2 months and at least thrice a year

7). The Municipal Executive Council shall meet every 2 months and at least thrice a year



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8). The Diaspora Executive Council shall meet every 6 months and at least once a year

9). Notwithstanding the scheduled meetings of PUF organ, the chairperson of any organ shall have the powers to convene an extraordinary meeting of the organ.

10). Any nonmember of PUF organ participating in the meeting shall have no right to vote

ARTICLE 9

TERM OF SERVICE

9.1 1) Subject to the provisions of this constitution, the term of office of elected members of all organs of PUF shall be five years, unless terminated earlier, and the incumbent members shall be eligible for re-election.

2) The services any person elected to an organ of PUF may be terminated from any of the following grounds:

- a) Ceasing to be a member of PUF
- b) Abuse of office.
- c) Conviction for an offence carrying a sentence of more than 12 months.
- d) Misconduct or misbehavior.

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- e) Mismanagement.
- f) Incompetence.
- g) Physical and mental incapacity, namely that he or she is incapable of performing the functions of his or her office by reason of physical and mental incapacity.

3) The office of any person elected to any office or organ of PUF shall become vacant;

- a) if the appointment of the holder is revoked by the Chairperson of Federal Executive Forum or,
- b) if the holder,
 - i. resigns,
 - ii. ceases to be a member of PUF
 - iii. dies

ARTICLE 10

CODE OF CONDUCT

10.11) This Code of Conduct shall apply to all PUF members.

2). All PUF members shall subscribe to this code of conduct

3). To fulfill their political, ethical, and moral obligations and duties, every PUF member shall always observe the following Code of Conduct:

- a) Owe allegiance and loyalty to PUF and its organs.
- b) Exhibit selfless spirit in all that he or she does and always put the interests of PUF and the nation above everything else.

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- c) Be truthful and trustworthy.
 - d) Explain, defend, and implement PUF policies and programs.
 - e) Refrain from publishing, distributing, or making statements to any media house which purports to be the view or position of PUF without authorization of the organ of PUF where the member belongs.
 - f) Maintain high moral standards.
- 4). To fulfill their ethical and moral obligations and duties every PUF leader shall always observe the following code of conduct:
- a) Ensure that he or she is conversant with the objectives of PUF as contained

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in this constitution, these Rules of conduct and any other political guideline that may be issued from time to time by its appropriate organs.

- b) Discharge the responsibilities entrusted to him or her without fear or favor and always avoid nepotism, tribalism or any other form of sectarianism and always act as uniting factor among the people.
- c) Be diligent, disciplined, punctual, hardworking.
- d) Tolerate criticism and exercise self-criticism in the performance of his or her work
- e) Encourage a spirit togetherness in work and always hold and attend

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- meetings for exchange of ideas and for the resolution of any problems connected with his/her work.
- f) Avoid tolerating wrongs to gain cheap popularity
- 5). A member or a leader of PUF shall not:
- a) Engage in corrupt practices and not use his or her leadership position to acquire any money, property, gift or favor or any benefit for himself or herself.
- b) Engage in the formation of cliques or factions within PUF or any of its organs and institutions or in any way be part of or associated with any cliques or

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factions or engage in any intrigue within PUF.

- c) Engage in the misuse or embezzlement of public funds
- d) Misuse PUF and public property under his or her care, including buildings, vehicles, supplies, equipment, and any other assets or allow their abuse or misuse by any other person under his or her control.
- e) Act as an agent or allow him or herself to be used to further the interests of any foreign power, political party, organization or individual in a manner detrimental to the interests of PUF and South Sudan.

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- f) Disclose any official information which is not yet intended to be made public.
- g) Be a source of rumor mongering
- h) Consume intoxicants to levels which make him or her appear disorderly in public or which affect performance of duties.
- i) Use wrong forum in addressing pertinent issues.
- j) Willfully intentionally report or disseminate any malicious allegations.
- k) Practice favoritism or nepotism by giving preferential treatment or any personal advantage or gain for himself that of his or her relation, friend or agent, ethnic grouping or area of origin

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- l) Campaign for a candidate sponsored by another political party or organization
- m) Offer material support to a candidate sponsored by another political party or organization
- n) Campaign against the official PUF candidate
- o) Use abusive language.
- p) Any person who knowingly gives false information to the Disciplinary A member who commits a breach of this code shall:

10.2 In the case of a breach under Article 10 (10.1) (2), (10.1) (3), (10.1) (4), (10.1)(5) (b)(i)(o) be liable to a reprimand



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10.3 In the case of breach of the remaining articles and paragraphs not mentioned in Article 10 (10.2) be liable to suspension and subsequent dismissal after the confirmation of wrongdoing by the disciplinary committee.

ARTICLE II

AMENDMENT

11.11) This constitution can only be amended by the setting of Federal Executive Forum.

2) Any amendment to this constitution shall be made by a resolution supported by a 2/3 majority vote of all members of the Federal Executive Forum.

3) A notice of intent to propose an amendment to this constitution accompanied by the proposed amendment and its justification shall be approved by the 2/3 majority vote of State Executive Councils and shall be forwarded to the Secretary General at least one month before the meeting of the Federal Executive Forum at which

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the motion for the amendment is intended to be moved.

4) Upon receipt of the notice of intent in Article 11 (11.1) (3) above, the Secretary General shall forward the notice of intent and the proposed amendment together with its justification to the Federal Executive Forum for its due consideration

5) The Federal Executive Forum shall only consider proposals for amendment if it satisfy Article 11 (11.1) (3) above.

ARTICLE 12

MERGER

12.11) The Federal Executive Forum may pass a resolution to merge PUF with any other political party/parties in South Sudan where the merger involves the dissolution of the other party/parties to join PUF.

2). If a merger involves the dissolution of PUF, the following procedure shall apply:

- a) The FEF shall constitute a panel of seven persons from among its members to negotiate the merger with leaders of a political party/parties.
- b) The panel shall only negotiate with appointed representatives of the other party/parties.

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- c) The panel shall represent PUF in the drawing of a merger instrument, and any such instrument shall have due regard for:
 - i. The PUF political objectives and values and the interests of all members and organs
 - ii. The symbols and flag of PUF
 - iii. The PUF current and fixed assets and liabilities
 - iv. The retention of at least one third of the officials of PUF at every organ of the merged party
 - v. The retention of the Secretary General, secretary of Political Affairs and Mobilization plus at least one senior

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officer in the Secretariat of the merged party

- d) The panel shall share its report to the FEF
- e) If the FEF adopts the report of the merger negotiation panel, then the Secretary General shall publish a notification of the intended merger in two newspapers for a duration of two weeks to alert all PUF members of the merger.
- f) If the FEF ratifies the decision to merge with other political party/parties, then:
 - i. The Treasurer General shall within two weeks settle all outstanding financial obligations where possible

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- ii. The Treasurer General shall close all books of account at every PUF organ and stop every payment except that which relates to the terminal benefits of employees.
- iii. The Secretary General shall circulate copies of the merger instrument with all FEF members and state secretariats
- iv. All the PUF organs shall within fourteen (14) days dissolve and cease to exist in the manner specified in the merger instrument.
- v. The instrument of merger shall bear the signature of the FEF Chairperson and that of the Secretary General and shall be sealed accordingly.



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3. A decision to merge with other party/parties shall be by a resolution of the FEF

- a) Setting supported by two thirds (2/3) of all FEF members entitled to attend and vote.
- b) Provided any members opposed to the merger may register at a desk set up at the meeting for that purpose, and the merger shall be construed to have failed if opposed by more than one third of the delegates entitled to attend and vote at the FEF meeting.

ARTICLE 13

COALITIONS

13.11) The FEF may pass a resolution to form a pre/post-election coalition with any political party/parties.

2). The pre/post-election coalition shall in every respect comply with the provisions of the South Sudan Political Parties Act 2012.

3)The instrument of pre/post-election coalition shall bear the signature of the Chairperson of FEF and the Secretary General and shall be sealed accordingly.



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ARTICLE 14

DISSOLUTION AND RENAMING

- 14.11) Upon the FEF approval of a motion to dissolve PUF, the Secretary General shall publicize the notice for FEF meeting in two newspapers
- 2). The FEF meeting shall convene not less than sixty (60) days from the date of publication of the motion thereof.
 - 3). The notice referred to in Clause 1 shall be circulated in writing to all states and counties not less than sixty (60) days before the date of the FEF setting.
 - 4). A dissolution of PUF shall be by a resolution that is not opposed by twenty-five (25) percent of members entitled to attend and vote at a FEF meeting.

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5). Any delegate opposed to the dissolution may register at a desk set up at the meeting for that purpose, and the dissolution shall be construed to have failed if opposed by twenty-five (25) percent of the delegates entitled to attend and vote at the FEF Meeting.

6). If the FEF resolves that PUF be dissolved, the FEF shall after the date of such resolution remain in office for a maximum of ninety (90) days to superintend over disposal of assets and offsetting of all obligations of the party, and the surplus thereof submitted to the Registrar of Political Parties.

7). If the FEF meeting resolved that PUF be renamed, the Secretary General shall publicize the notice of the change of name in two



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newspapers and submit the new name to the
Registrar of Political Parties



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THE BY-LAWS

Rule 1: Order of Business

The standing order of business for a regular meeting shall be as follows:

1. Call to order
2. Adoption of agenda
3. Resolutions
4. Other business

Rule 2: Voting Procedure

1. All the meeting resolutions of the People's United Forum shall be by simple majority vote except where constitution dictate otherwise.
2. The chair may require motion submitted for a voting to be in a written form signed by mover and submitted to secretary before voting time



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Rule 3: Election of Officers

1. All members of PUF who meet the national and state legal requirements shall be eligible to become candidates for PUF at their respective levels.
2. The number of women that should be elected as PUF candidates should be at least 35% in each constituency.
3. For every elective position at the national and the state level, there shall be primaries held within the PUF to determine the right candidate as below;
 - a) **Presidential Candidate**
The presidential candidate shall be elected by the setting of Federal Executive Forum
 - b) **The Gubernatorial Candidate**



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The gubernatorial candidate shall be elected by the setting of State Executive Committee.

c) **National Parliamentary Candidate**

The national members of parliament shall be elected by all registered members of PUF at their respective constituencies.

d). **County Commissionership Candidate**

The county commissionership candidate shall be elected by the setting of County Executive Committee

e). **State Parliamentary Candidate**

The state members of parliament shall be elected by all PUF registered members at their respective constituencies.

f). **County Councilor Candidate**



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The county members of the council shall be elected by all PUF registered members at their respective constituencies.

g). Mayoral Candidate

The mayoral candidate shall be elected by the setting of the Municipal Council

h). Municipality Councilor Candidate

The municipality councilor candidate shall be elected by all PUF registered members at their respective constituencies.

4). There shall be public campaigns for the stated above primaries.

5). All the primaries stated above shall be by secret ballots.

l) Diaspora Chairpersonship, Deputy, and Secretary General Candidate



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The diaspora chairperson, Deputy, and Secretary shall be elected by the setting of the Diaspora Council

Rule 4: The PUF Meetings

1. The quorum of meeting of any PUF organ shall be the 2/3 (two-third) of that organ.
2. The Federal Executive Forum shall meet every 6 months and at least once a year
3. The State Executive Committee shall meet every 4 months and at least twice a year
4. The County Executive Committee shall meet every 2 months and at least thrice a year
5. The Payam Executive Council shall meet every 2 months and at least thrice a year
6. The Boma Executive Council shall meet every 2 months and at least thrice a year



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7. The Municipal Executive Council shall meet every 2 months and at least thrice a year
8. The Diaspora Executive Council shall meet every 6 months and at least once a year
9. Notwithstanding the scheduled meetings of PUF organ, the chairperson of any organ shall have the powers to convene an extraordinary meeting of the organ.
10. Any nonmember of PUF organ participating in the meeting shall have no right to vote

Rule 5: The Code of Conduct

- I. This Code of Conduct shall apply to all PUF members.

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2. All PUF members shall subscribe to this code of conduct
3. To fulfill their political, ethical, and moral obligations and duties, every PUF member shall always observe the following Code of Conduct:
 - a) Owe allegiance and loyalty to PUF and its organs.
 - b) Exhibit selfless spirit in all that he or she does and always put the interests of PUF and the nation above everything else.
 - c) Be truthful and trustworthy.
 - d) Explain, defend, and implement PUF policies and programs.
 - e) Refrain from publishing, distributing, or making statements to any media house which purports to be the view or

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position of PUF without authorization of the organ of PUF where the member belongs.

- f) Maintain high moral standards.
4. To fulfill their ethical and moral obligations and duties every PUF leader shall always observe the following code of conduct:
- a) Ensure that he or she is conversant with the objectives of PUF as contained in this constitution, these Rules of conduct and any other political guideline that may be issued from time to time by its appropriate organs.
 - b) Discharge the responsibilities entrusted to him or her without fear or favor and always avoid nepotism, tribalism or any

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other form of sectarianism and always act as uniting factor among the people.

- c) Be diligent, disciplined, punctual, hardworking.
- d) Tolerate criticism and exercise self-criticism in the performance of his or her work
- e) Encourage a spirit togetherness in work and always hold and attend meetings for exchange of ideas and for the resolution of any problems connected with his/her work.
- f) Avoid tolerating wrongs to gain cheap popularity

5). A member or a leader of PUF shall not:

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- a) Engage in corrupt practices and not use his or her leadership position to acquire any money, property, gift or favor or any benefit for himself or herself.
- b) Engage in the formation of cliques or factions within PUF or any of its organs and institutions or in any way be part of or associated with any cliques or factions or engage in any intrigue within PUF.
- c) Engage in the misuse or embezzlement of public funds
- d) Misuse PUF and public property under his or her care, including buildings, vehicles, supplies,

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equipment, and any other assets
or allow their abuse or misuse by
any other person under his or her
control.

- e) Act as an agent or allow him or herself to be used to further the interests of any foreign power, political party, organization or individual in a manner detrimental to the interests of PUF and South Sudan.
- f) Disclose any official information which is not yet intended to be made public.
- g) Be a source of rumor mongering

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- h) Consume intoxicants to levels which make him or her appear disorderly in public or which affect performance of duties.
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- k) Practice favoritism or nepotism by giving preferential treatment or any personal advantage or gain for himself that of his or her relation, friend or agent, ethnic grouping or area of origin

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- l) Campaign for a candidate sponsored by another political party or organization
- m) Offer material support to a candidate sponsored by another political party or organization
- n) Campaign against the official PUF candidate
- o) Use abusive language.

Rule 6: Disciplinary Procedure.

1. To enforce observance of PUF code of Conduct, there shall be Disciplinary committee in every PUF organ.
2. Every PUF organ Disciplinary Committee shall consist of:

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- a) The chairperson of the organ who shall be the
Chairperson
- b) The Secretary of the organ who shall be its
secretary
- c) Five persons elected by the organ

3. Proceedings of Disciplinary Committees

- a) A Disciplinary Committee shall on receipt of a
complaint from any person that a member has
breached any of these rules cause investigation
to be conducted into the matter.
- b) Any complaint from any person shall be in
writing and signed by the Complainant. If the
Complainant cannot write, the Chairperson shall
put the complaint in writing and the complainant
shall affix his or her thumbprint on it.

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- c) Unless the Chairperson shall fix a date, time and place for the Disciplinary Committee to consider the matter and give notice thereof to all members of the Disciplinary Committee and the parties to the complaint.
- d) Unless the committee is of the view that the complaint frivolous or vexatious, it shall notify the accused member of the nature of the complaint and shall require him or her to:
 - i. Submit his or her reply
 - ii. Appear before the committee on a fixed date, venue, and time
- e. All hearings of the Committee shall be in private, but the rules of natural justice shall be observed by the Committee.

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- f. Any member who has been found in breach of the code by a Disciplinary Committee, but it is not satisfied with the decision may appeal to a higher Disciplinary Committee within 14 days, provided the higher the Disciplinary Committee may on reasonable grounds extend this period;
- g. The quorum of all the Disciplinary Committees shall be all seven members;
- h. All decisions of a Disciplinary Committee shall be reached by consensus and where this fails by simple majority:
 - i. The Disciplinary committees shall as much as possible promote reconciliation.
 - ii. A Disciplinary committee may on its own motion require a member to answer any

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complaint in respect to a breach of this Code.

4. Implementation of Decisions of Disciplinary Committees

- a) The decisions of every Disciplinary Committee shall be communicated to the next higher Committee within two weeks from the time the decision is made.
- b) The penalty imposed on a member shall reflect the gravity of the breach.
- c) The Disciplinary Committee shall communicate its decision to the parties to a dispute or may in its discretion cause the matter to be published.



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- d) A Disciplinary committee shall not entertain any matter before the courts of judicature, provided that determination of the dispute or case by the said courts does not preclude disciplinary action against a member by PUF.