



**Community Security & Arms Control (CSAC) Project Board Meeting Minutes**  
31 May 2013

		<p>1.4 The Bureau called upon partners to strengthen leadership at community level – saying providing premises for local leaders to work in a good environment will make them respected by the people they serve.</p> <p>1.5 Acting Head appealed to donors to factor support for the Bureau’s basic needs into their funding plans.</p>	
2.	<b>Adoption of previous minutes and agenda</b>	2.1. Previous minutes and agenda adopted.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ N/A</li> </ul>
3.	<b>Comments/Questions on CSAC Implementation Plan of the UNDP-DFID CSAC Review Report</b>	3.1. DFID acknowledged and thanked the CSAC team for preparing the implementation plan. DFID will engage with the CSAC team to provide further comments, and also encouraged the CSAC team to develop closer partnerships with civil society organizations working on local peace and security issues as part of the project’s implementation plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ N/A</li> </ul>
4.	<b>Presentation: Key Updates on Q1 Activities.</b>	4.1. CSAC project made Q1 activity presentations on Output 1, Output 2, Output 3, and Output 4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Presentation to be circulated to board members</li> </ul>
5.	<b>Discussions / Q&amp;A</b>	<p>5.1. EU noted that donors receive several competing funding applications from Government institutions, and therefore, appealed to the Government to coordinate their programmes so that donors can better deal with their requests. The EU was open to the idea of a “Peacebuilding” basket fund.</p> <p>5.2. DFID agreed with the EU’s advice – and also added that SSPRC should also integrate peacebuilding/conflict-sensitive approaches into existing programming channels.</p> <p>5.3. In response, SSPRC Chairperson stressed that SSPRC is the nationally-mandated institutional point for peacebuilding in South Sudan. He also appealed to CSAC and the donor community to concentrate on development projects that will leave a permanent legacy, highlighting projects such as infrastructure that are tangible.</p> <p>5.4. UNDP supported the idea of the SSPRC and other government-led peace initiatives to examine the best-fit institutional arrangement to ensure coherence and coordination. UNDP offered to lend its support to this process. UNDP also inquired about the role SSPRC is playing in the National Healing &amp; Reconciliation campaign.</p> <p>5.5. The Bureau said it had big gaps in trying to assess impact, but is happy that UNDP has stepped in to try and help. It also pointed out that coordination problems still exist among implementing partners and appealed for a speedy resolution of the problem to avoid duplication.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ UNDP to share presentations</li> <li>✓ SSPRC to work on harmonising government peacebuilding initiatives/processes, with support from UNDP.</li> </ul>
6.	<b>AOB</b>	6.1. Next CSAC Board Meeting scheduled for end of July 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Exact date to be set and communicate</li> </ul>

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