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IDO CELEBRATES INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY

The Integrated Development Organization in partnership with Play for Peace and Hold the Child celebrate the International Peace Day at White Nile Hotel in Juba.

Every year, the International Peace Day is observed globally on 21st September and today marks the 30th anniversary of the General Assembly Declaration on the rights of people to peace. This year's global theme for the international peace day is **"The Sustainable Development Goals, Building Blocks for Peace."**

Integrated Development Organization is celebrating the day under the theme, **"Choose Peace Now, Let it begin with you."** For peace to prevail, it has to start with me, then you and all of us. South Sudan needs peace now so that the challenges such as poverty, hunger, deaths, water scarcity; sky-rocketing prices can be curbed. Internally displaced persons from both Mangateen and Mahad IDP camps and students from Upper Nile, Catholic and University of Juba joined in the celebration with one voice, all calling for peace to reign in South Sudan.

In South Sudan now, children, women, youth, men, the elderly, everyone is hungry for peace and all they want to hear is that finally peace has come to South Sudan. It is a collective responsibility of the peoples of South Sudan to work together towards achieving sustainable peace.



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IDO calls upon the leaders to put the interest of the citizens as number one priority in the implementation of peace process in South Sudan, and now the interest of the people is to have peace.

Integrated Development Organization (IDO) is a national development and humanitarian NGO working to promote just, peaceful & healthiest societies in South Sudan by empowering and working with grassroots communities, vulnerable populations, and excluded societies or groups estranged and uprooted by conflicts. The key objective is for societies and groups to build resilience, to develop and to lead their post-conflict societies. More information about IDO can be website at <u>www.ssido.net</u>

For more press information and if you want to participate in the celebration

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