



Den Haag, 15 juni 2009

Voortouwcommissie: **vaste commissie voor Buitenlandse Zaken**

Activiteit: **bijzondere procedure**

Datum: dinsdag 23 juni 2009

Tijd: 17.00 - 18.00 uur

Openbaar/besloten: besloten

Onderwerp: ontvangst kerkleiders uit Soedan

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Agendapunt: **Het lid Haverkamp ontvangt in het kader van de bijzondere procedure 3 kerkleiders uit Soedan .  
Het lid Haverkamp nodigt u van harte uit hierbij aanwezig te zijn.**

Zaak: Verzoek van het lid Haverkamp d.d. 11 juni 2009 om drie kerkleiders uit Soedan te ontvangen in een bijzondere procedure. - 2009Z11070

Samenstelling van de delegatie:

**1. Bishop Micah Laila Dawidi**, head of the delegation, Bishop Episcopal Church of Sudan (ECS), Central Equatoria, close to Juba. The Bishop is the chair for the justice and peace commission of the ECS. He has been living in Juba during the war and until recently, and has been very active there, together with the other church leaders, saving many lives. He is a Mundari, and might also be in a very good position to explain what was behind the recent fighting between Mundari and Bari there, and on ways on how to get out of such situations.

**2. Reverend Both Reth Luang** is representing the Presbyterian Church of Sudan (PCOS), a Nuer from Akobo. He is the moderator of the new Akobo Presbytery, and for long years the chair of the Nuer peace council. Rev. Both has spent the years of the war in the SPLM controlled areas, was for long a member of the executive committee of New Sudan Council of Churches, and is a founding board member of RECONCILE (Resource Centre for Civil Leadership in Yei). Rev. Both has been working for reconciliation especially among the Nuer and Nuer-Dinka for years, can explain the situation especially in Upper Nile, and also the situation within GoSS (eg about the vice president Riek Machar, the integration of former Nuer militia into SPLA etc). Rev Both also has been involved with our oil network ECOS from the beginning, and can talk about oil related issues, including the ecological and compensation issues.

**3. Rev. Peter Tibi** is the General Secretary of Sudan Council of Churches for 2 years now, with the headquarters in Khartoum before he was the successor of Dr Haruun as GS of the New Sudan Council of Churches, based in Nairobi. He is a pastor from the African Inland Church, coming from Eastern Equatoria, and as been member of the executive committee of NSCC before he became deputy of Dr Haruun. He, like rev. Both, has stayed the bigger part of the war in the non-government controlled areas. Both he and Rev. Both, but also have been very actively involved in the "Entebbe forums" of the churches, accompanying the official peace negotiations from the side of civil society, and has been involved in many reconciliation efforts al over Southern Sudan. Rev. Peter is also knowledgeable about the Darfur situation and the situation in Southern Kordofan, he is the vice chair of the interreligious council in Khartoum among many other things. He can provide good input also on the GoSS situation, the various armed conflicts, and the election /cicl education project of the churches.

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