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TO: ALL INGOs OPERATING IN NORTHERN UPPER NILE STATE

I address your organizations regarding a circulating document authored by RRC's Deputy County Coordinator in Renk, in which the official writes to the local governor to seek endorsement of a subjectively contrived set of "Rules and Regulations" pertaining to the operations of International NGO's in the area.

I would like to inform all of the INGOs concerned that we've directly communicated with H.E the Governor, Deng Akuei and you're hereby advised to disregard this particular memo. You are urged to continue dispensing with your duties as usual. Rest assured that the final decision to impose any further regulations on humanitarian operations is the sole prerogative of the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission Headquarters in Juba.

This particular incident is therefore an aberration from our standard operating procedure, which calls for thorough consultations between the RRC headquarters and the local officials on the ground before any amendments can be made to any existing provisions and guidelines concerning the work of all the NGOs.

We regret any adverse implications this incident may have had on the ongoing Humanitarian operations.

Please accept assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,


Hon. Gatwech Peter Kulang
Undersecretary



CC: The Minister, MHADM
Governor of Northern Upper Nile State
Acting Chairperson RRC
Director of Operation & Compliance
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