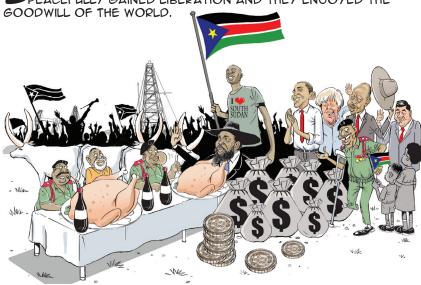
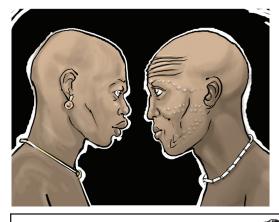
SOUTH SUDAN THE PRICE OF WAR, THE PRICE OF PEACE

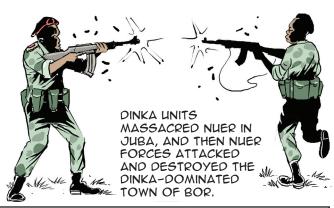
N 2011, SOUTH SUDAN WON ITS INDEPENDENCE AMIDST WIDESPREAD CELEBRATION. SOUTH SUDANESE HAD PEACEFULLY GAINED LIBERATION AND THEY ENJOYED THE



BUT THIS QUICKLY TURNED TO TRAGEDY. IN 2013, THE RULING ELITES OF SOUTH SUDAN BEGAN TO FIGHT OVER WHO CONTROLLED THE GOVERNMENT, AND ITS RESOURCES.



IN DECEMBER THAT YEAR, THE POLITICAL COMPETITION TURNED VIOLENT, AND THE SPLA SPLIT APART ALONG ETHNIC LINES, DINKA VERSUS NUER.





THIS 'TRAGIC SCRIPT' FOLLOWS ON FROM 'SOUTH SUDAN: WHO GOT WHAT?' TO TELL THE STORY OF THE NEW CIVIL WAR IN SOUTH SUDAN, AND EFFORTS TO BRING PEACE. TWO YEARS AFTER THE FIGHTING BEGAN, THOUSANDS HAVE BEEN KILLED, MILLIONS HAVE LOST THEIR HOMES, AND THE OUTCOME OF A COMPROMISE PEACE AGREEMENT HANGS IN THE BALANCE. THE HOPES OF ALL SOUTH SUDANESE FOR PEACE AND PROSPERITY HAVE BEEN DASHED, JUST AS THE WAR WAS CAUSED BY GREED AND CORRUPTION, SO TOO SOUTH SUDAN'S ELITES SEE PEACE TALKS AS THE CHANCE TO GET RICH.

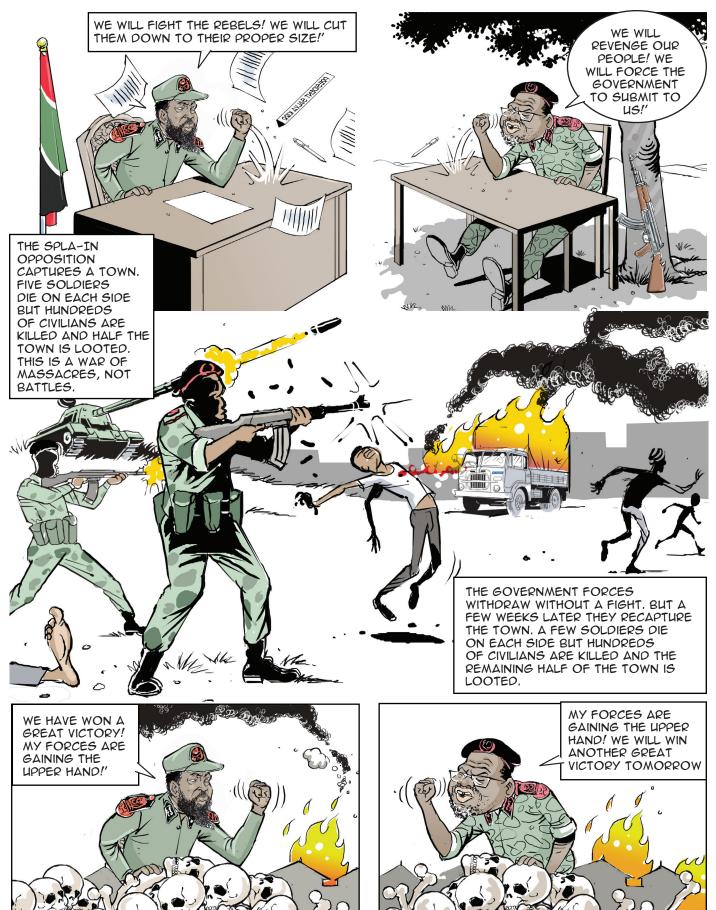
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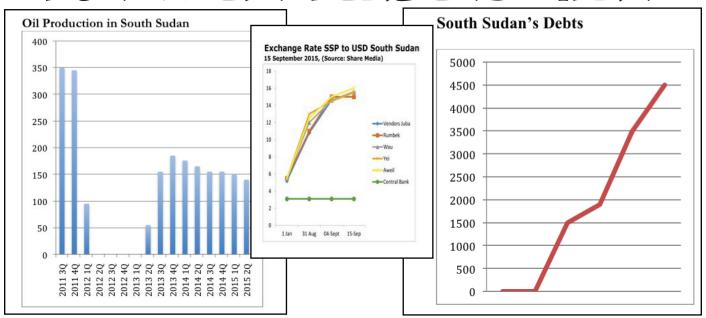


GOVERNMENT VERSUS REBELS SOLDIERS VERSUS CITIZENS

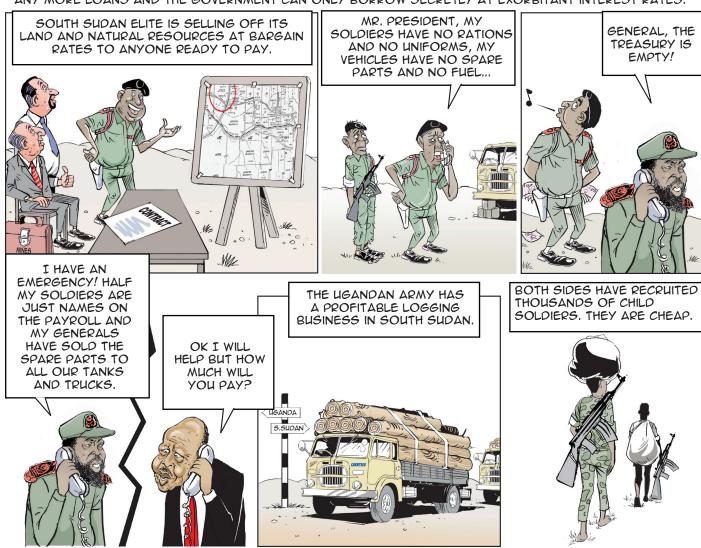


SOME TOWNS HAVE CHANGED HANDS AS MANY AS EIGHT TIMES. EACH TIMES, THE CITIZENS PAY THE PRICE.

HOW SOUTH SUDANESE PAY FOR THEIR LEADERS' WAR



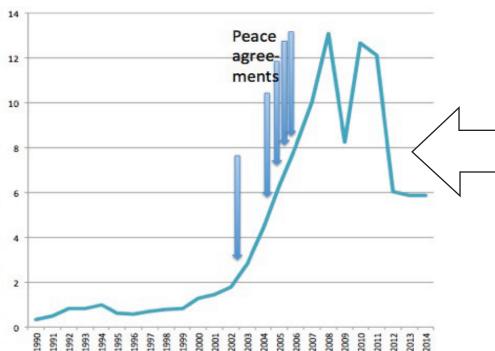
OIL PRODUCTION IS DROPPING... AND THE PRICE OF OIL IS FALLING TOO. THE SOUTH SUDANESE POUND IS DEPRECIATING. INFLATION IS RISING, FOREIGN DEBTS ARE INCREASING... THE OIL COMPANIES HAVE REFUSED ANY MORE LOANS AND THE GOVERNMENT CAN ONLY BORROW SECRETLY AT EXORBITANT INTEREST RATES.



BUT SOUTH SUDAN STILL PAYS FOR ITS WAR... BY SPENDING ALL ITS MONEY ON THE ARMY AND SELLING OFF ITS NATURAL RESOURCES AT BARGAIN PRICES. A COUNTRY THAT WAS BORN FOUR YEARS AGO, DEBT FREE AND RICH, IS NOW DEEPLY IN DEBT AND IMPOVERISHED.

THE PRICE OF PEACE Talks

SUDANESE GOVERNMENT SPENDING (US\$ BILLIONS) AND PEACE AGREEMENTS.



HISTORY SHOWS THAT THE SUDANESE AND SOUTH SUDANESE ONLY REACH PEACE AGREEMENTS WHEN THE BUDGET IS INCREASING. EVERY POLITICAL LEADER GOES TO THE PEACE TABLE EXPECTING TO DEPART WITH MORE THAN THE AMOUNT HE ARRIVED WITH, THE PROBLEM FACING THE MEDIATORS WAS THAT SOUTH SUDAN'S BUDGET IS SHRINKING RAPIDLY.

PEACE TALKS CONVENED IN LUXURY HOTELS IN ADDIS ABABA, ALL EXPENSES PAID. DELEGATES ALSO GOT ALLOWANCES OF HUNDREDS SOMETIMES THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS PER DAY.



WE NEED
A MINIMUM
OF 75% OF
POSITIONS
IN THE
GOVERNMENT
AND THE
ARMY
COMMAND

US TOO, BUT
WE ALSO NEED
COMPENSATION
FOR ALL THIS
TIME WE HAVE
BEEN OUT OF
OFFICE AND
NOT DRAWING
OUR SALARIES

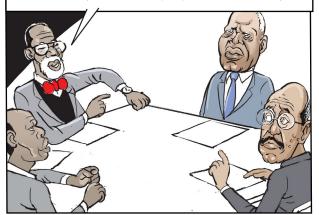
THEN WE
AGREE... WE
JUST NEED 150%
OF POSITIONS
TO SHARE.
AND MORE AID
FUNDS FOR
COMPENSATION.



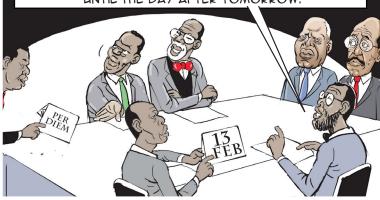




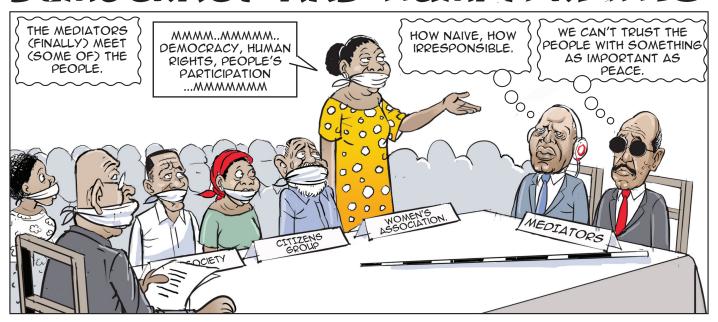
IT'S COCKTAIL HOUR, MR. MINISTER, AND WE HAVE WORKED ALMOST A FULL AFTERNOON. I PROPOSE WE ADJOURN UNTIL TOMORROW.



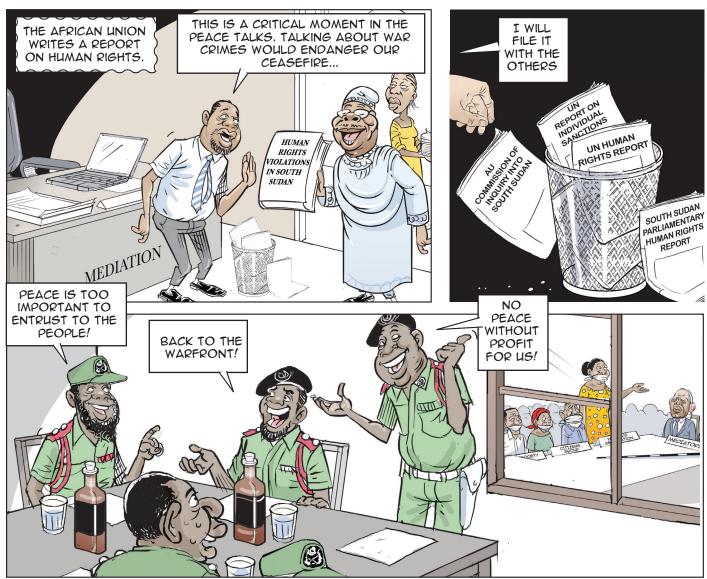
OBJECTION! TOMORROW IS VALENTINE'S DAY. WE NEED PLEASANT COMPANY TO DISTRACT US FROM OUR ONEROUS DUTIES. I PROPOSE WE ADJOURN UNTIL THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW.



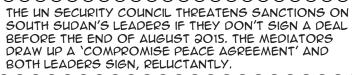
NEGOTIATIONS FOR PEACE AND DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

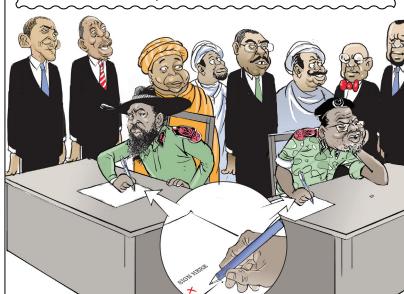


THE MEDIATORS REMAIN STUCK IN A MODEL OF PEACEMAKING THAT INCLUDES ONLY THE LEADERS OF THE WARRING PARTIES. BETWEEN DECEMBER 2013 AND AUGUST 2015 THERE ARE EIGHT SUMMIT MEETINGS, USUALLY IN ADDIS ABABA, AND NEAR-CONTINUOUS PEACE TALKS. BUT THE MEDIATORS NEVER ONCE GO TO MEET THE SOUTH SUDANESE PEOPLE. CIVIL SOCIETY VIEWS AREN'T TAKEN SERIOUSLY.

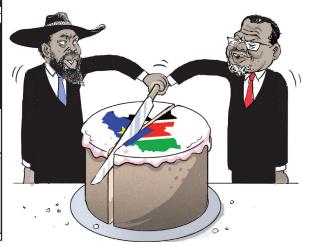


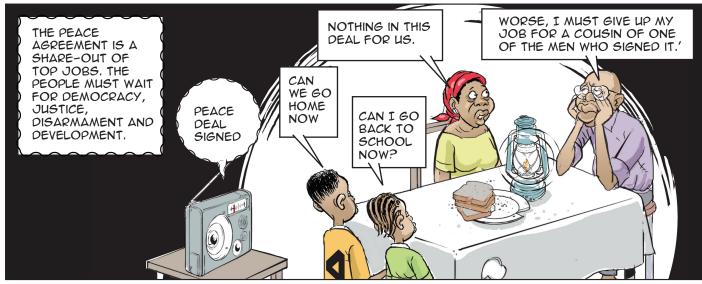
A PEACE DEAL IS SIGNED





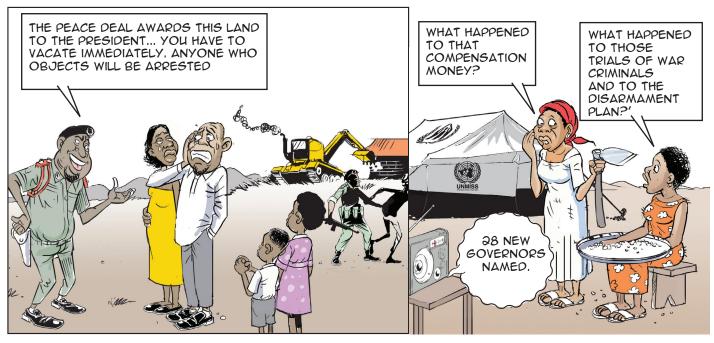


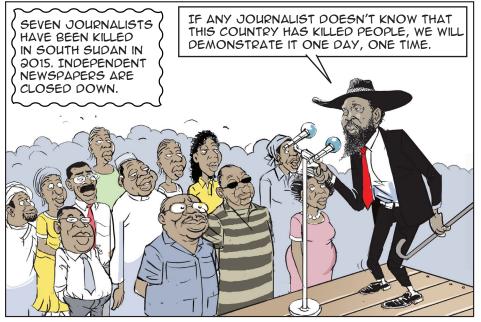


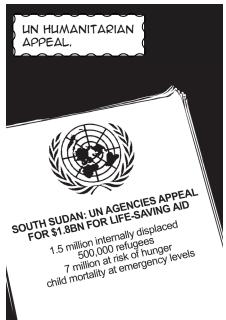




THE PRICE OF 'PEACE'

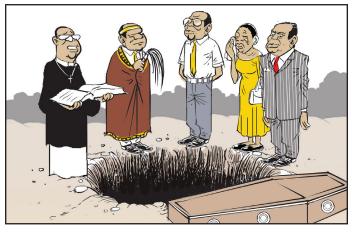








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SOUTH SUDANESE ARE DEEPLY RESPECTFUL OF THE DEAD, AND ARE ALWAYS DETERMINED TO ENSURE THAT THEIR LOVED ONES ARE BURIED WITH PROPER CEREMONY, AND THEIR SPIRITS ARE PROPITIATED.

