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In accordance with the provisions of Article 55(2) and (3)(b) of the Transitional Constitution of the Republic of South Sudan, 2011 (as Amended), the Transitional National Legislature hereby enacts the following:

## **CHAPTER I**

### **PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS**

#### **1. Title and Commencement**

This Act may be cited as “National Bureau of Statistics Act, 2024” and shall come into force on the date of its signature by the President.

#### **2. Repeal and Saving**

Any legislation governing the “Southern Sudan Centre for Census, Statistics and Evaluation Act, 2011” is hereby repealed, provided that all appointments made, proceedings taken or orders and regulations made under the repealed Act shall continue in force, except to the extent repealed or being inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.

#### **3. Purpose**

- (1) The purpose of this Act is to provide for continuity and governance of an independent public institution to be known as the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) which shall collect, compile, analyse, publish, disseminate and archive statistical information on economic, social, demographic, environmental, general activities and conditions of the people as well as evaluating social impacts of the public policies, projects, programmes and any related matters.
- (2) The Bureau shall be responsible for the coordination of the National, Regional and International Statistical Systems.

#### **4. Authority and Application**

- (1) This Act is drafted in accordance with the Provisions of Article 193 and Schedule A (22) and (48) of the Transitional Constitution 2011 (as Amended), which grants the National Government the authority to establish the National Bureau of Statistics as an independent body.
- (2) The Provisions of this Act shall apply throughout South Sudan in all matters related to official Statistics.



## 5. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:

**“Agency”** means the government institution at national, state and local government levels, including other institutions at local, state, national, regional, international, and other producers or users of statistics;

**“Anonymization”** means the process of either encrypting or removing personal identifiable information from datasets, so that the people whom the data describe remain anonymous;

**“Assembly”** means the Transitional National Legislative Assembly;

**“Auditor General”** means the head of the National Audit Chamber;

**“Authorised officer”** means any person appointed or assigned by the Director General of the Bureau to carry on specific task;

**“Board”** means the Board of the National Bureau of Statistics;

**“Bureau”** means the National Bureau of Statistics;

**“Census”** means procedure of systematically acquiring and recording information about all members of a given population;

**“Chairperson”** means the head of the Board of the Bureau;

**“Confidential data”**

(a) means data which allow statistical units to be identified, either directly or indirectly, thereby disclosing individual information;

(b) means to determine whether a statistical unit is identifiable, account shall be taken of all relevant means that might reasonably be used by a third party to identify the statistical unit;

**“Data”** means raw or unprocessed information;

**“Decennial”** means the recurring of census of South Sudan every ten years;

**“Director General”** means the Chief Executive Officer of the Bureau;

**“Document”** means a form, questionnaire, schedule, notice or report whether in printed or photographic form, a documentary recording or transcribed computer printout or record capable of being produced as a printout by a mechanical or electronic device, and a medium or device by which information is recorded or stored;

**“Member”** means member of the Board of the Bureau;

**“Minister”** means the national minister in charge of finance and planning;

**“National Statistical System (NSS)”** means:

- (1) A system coordinated by the Bureau, which includes data providers, producers, and users of official statistics;
- (2) Statistical organizations, research and training institutions that individually or jointly collect, process and disseminate official statistics on behalf of the Government of the Republic of South Sudan; and
- (3) The Bureau as coordinating body with primary data collection capability, government-owned statistical research and training institutes, and all executive departments, offices, agencies of the national and local governments and all government owned and controlled corporations and their subsidiaries that are engaged in statistical activities and services, either as their primary functions or as part of their administrative or regulatory functions.

**“Official Statistics”** means statistics designated to be official by the **Director General** of the Bureau;



**"Polling"** means a sampling or collection of opinions on a subject, taken from either a selected or a random group of persons as for the purpose of analysis;

**"President"** means the President of the Republic of South Sudan.

**"Respondent"** means any person who supplies or is required to supply information for statistical use under this Act;

**"Return"** means a book, document, questionnaire, form, card, tape, disc or storage media on which the information required is entered, and completed by a respondent or an officer of the Bureau or another organ of state which produces statistics;

**"Sampling"** means

(1) A statistical technique used to generate a predetermined number of observations from a larger population.

(2) A method of analysis being performed, and is derived by applying statistical techniques to information obtained in respect of the population being studied.

**"Secretary"** means the DG of the Bureau, who shall take minutes and prepares reports on behalf of the Board;

**"Statistics"** means collecting, compiling, organizing, analysing, interpreting and presentation of numerical data and drawing conclusions and guidance for socio-economic planning and policy.

**"Survey"** means a process of collecting, analysing and interpreting data from many individuals.

**"Undertaking"** means any economic unit, whether for profit or not, from which the Bureau collects statistical information, and includes institutions, groups of undertakings and association whether private or public.

## **CHAPTER II**

### **CONTINUITY OF THE BUREAU**

#### **6. Continuity of the Bureau**

- (1) In conformity with Section 2 of this Act, the Bureau shall be deemed to continue as an independent public institution with perpetual succession and common seal, having the right to sue and be sued, acquire and dispose property under this Act.
- (2) The main seat of the Bureau shall be in the capital City of South Sudan, with branch offices as shall be determined by the scope of work.
- (3) The Bureau shall be accountable to the public through the President and the National Assembly.

#### **7. Powers and Functions of the Bureau**

The Bureau shall exercise and perform the following powers and functions:

- (a) conduct population and housing censuses and surveys in South Sudan;
- (b) promote and develop integrated social and economic statistics framework pertaining to South Sudan;



- (c) establish statistical standards and enforce their use to all producers and-users of official statistics in order to facilitate integration and comparison of statistics produced, whether nationally, regionally or internationally;
- (d) to co-ordinate official statistical and data collection activities in order to avoid duplication of efforts in the production of official statistics, ensuring optimal utilization of available resources and reducing the burden on respondents in providing data;
- (e) collect, compile, analyse and disseminate official statistics and related information on economic, social, demographic, environmental, and other general activities and conditions of South Sudan as specified in the First Schedule in this Act;
- (f) maintain an inventory of available and relevant official statistics and information in South Sudan;
- (g) assist users of official statistical information in obtaining international statistics and relevant information;
- (h) provide a contact point for national, regional and international organizations and researchers in need of statistical information on South Sudan;
- (i) coordinate the production of official statistics within the national statistical system, including the necessary methodologies, with a view to ensuring timeliness, efficiency, and standardisation of information, to meeting users' requirements, as well as to provide appropriate classifications and conformity with international requirements and standards;
- (j) promote professionalism and discipline among its employees by facilitating professional training;
- (k) Carry out other functions related to its powers and functions as shall be directed by the President and the National Assembly.
- (l) Provide statistical monitoring, evaluation services, and professional assistance to official bodies, civil societies, researchers and international institutions and the public in general; and
- (m) Provide topographic, administrative and thematic maps.

## **8. Establishment of the Board**

A Board to be known as the Board of the Bureau is hereby established

## **9. Functions of the Board**

- (1) The Board shall be the policy making body of the Bureau.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub- Section (1) above, the Board shall perform the following functions:
  - (a) Develop Statistical policies;
  - (b) Prepare, adopt and publish a Code of Conduct for official statistics;
  - (c) Oversee implementation of policies and activities of the Bureau;
  - (d) Determine from time to time structures and staffing levels of the Bureau;
  - (e) Approve recruitment of employees of the Bureau and determine terms of service for the employees in accordance with civil service laws and regulations;
  - (f) Approve strategic plan, annual plan and proposed annual budget and programmes of the Bureau;



- (g) Submit to the President and the Transitional National Legislative Assembly annual report on activities of the Bureau;
- (h) Approve the annual budget of the Bureau for submission to the Parliament for approval;
- (i) Review and evaluate the performance of the Bureau;
- (j) Assess and approve the statistical and annual financial reports of the Bureau;
- (k) Mobilize resources for the activities of the Bureau as set out in this Act.

## **10. Composition of the Board**

- (1) The Board shall be composed of ten (10) members, appointed by the President by virtue of their professional expertise in statistics, mathematics, demography, economics, sociology, or any other relevant field and 35% shall be women as follows:
  - (a) Chairperson;
  - (b) One representative from the Bank of South Sudan;
  - (c) One representative from the Ministry of Finance and Planning;
  - (d) Two professional representatives from higher institutions of learning;
  - (e) Two members appointed from among the producers and users of statistics from private sector;
  - (f) Two representatives from think-tanks; and
  - (g) The Director General who by virtue of his or her office shall be an ex officio non-voting member.
- (2) All members of the Board shall be on part time basis.
- (3) The Chairperson and members of the Board, except the Director General, shall be paid an honorarium as appreciation for participating in Board meetings. The amount of honorarium paid to each member shall be determined by the Government prevailing rate.
- (4) The DG shall act as the secretary of the Board, whose duties shall be to make the necessary preparations for the meetings of the Board and to record and keep minutes thereof.
- (5) The Members of the Board of Directors shall be recommended to the President for appointment by the Minister of Finance and Economic Planning in consultation with the Director General of the Bureau.

## **11. Meetings of the Board**

- (1) The Board shall meet quarterly and may convene an extra ordinary meeting upon written request of the Chairperson or one third of the members.
- (2) The quorum for meetings of the Board shall be simple majority of its members.
- (3) The Chairperson shall preside over all meetings of the Board and in case of his or her absence; the members present shall elect one among themselves to preside over the meeting.
- (4) Decisions of the Board on any matter before it shall be unanimous or a simple majority of the members present and voting; and in case of equal votes, the Chairperson shall cast a decisive vote.



- (5) Any member who has a direct or indirect interest in any matter before the Board shall disclose such interest and not take part in the deliberations and decision related to such matter but can be counted for the purpose of quorum.
- (6) Disclosure of interest made under sub-section (4) above, shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is made.
- (7) The Board may at its discretion delegate any of its functions to a sub- committee of the Board or the Director General.

## **12. Eligibility for Membership**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section (9) of this Act, eligibility for appointment as member of the Board shall be as follows:

- (a) A South Sudanese citizen;
- (b) Be of sound mind;
- (c) At least thirty years of age;
- (d) Not have been convicted of an offence related to dishonesty or moral turpitude;
- (e) Not having been declared bankrupt;
- (f) Not a Constitutional Post-holder; and
- (g) Not a Judge or a Magistrate of the Courts of Justice.

## **13. Tenure of Office of Members of the Board**

- (1) Tenure of office of the members of the Board shall be three (3) years.
- (2) Without prejudice to subsection (1) above, the tenure shall be renewable only once for a term not exceeding two (2) years, or at the discretion of the President.

## **14. Loss of Membership**

Membership of the Board shall be lost on occurrence of any of the following:

- (a) Mental Infirmary or physical incapacity;
- (b) Resignation in writing;
- (c) Absence from three consecutive meetings of the Board without legitimate reason;
- (d) Conviction for an offence related to dishonesty or moral turpitude; or
- (e) Removal by the President on the recommendation of the Board; and
- (f) Death.



## **CHAPTER III**

### **ADMINISTRATION OF THE BUREAU**

#### **15. The Director General Tenure of Office and Responsibilities**

- (1) The President shall appoint a Director General of the Bureau on recommendation of the Minister of Finance and Planning.
- (2) The Director General shall be a person with professional qualifications, recognised competence and reputation in the domain of statistics or related fields mentioned above.
- (3) The Director General tenure of office shall be five (5) years, and may be extended only once for another five (5) years.
- (4) The Director General shall be responsible for day to day administration of the Bureau and be answerable to the Board.
- (5) Powers and functions of the Bureau in Section 7 of this Act shall be vested in the Director General.
- (6) The status of the Director General of the Bureau shall be equal to that of a Deputy Minister in the National Government.
- (7) The Director General shall advise the President on matters related to official statistics.
- (8) The Director General shall not hold any other office or receive remuneration from any employment or accept employment other than that of the Bureau.

#### **16. Removal of Director General**

The Director General maybe removed from office by the President on the recommendation of the Board on the following grounds:

- (a) Mental infirmity or physical incapacity;
- (b) Gross misconduct;
- (c) Incompetence;
- (d) Declaration as an insolvent;
- (e) Upon conviction of an offence and sentence to a term of imprisonment without the option of a fine;
- (f) A written resignation; or
- (g) Death

#### **17. The Deputy Director General**

- (1) The President shall appoint a Deputy Director General of the Bureau upon the recommendation of the Minister of Finance and Planning.
- (2) He/she shall have tenure of office as the Director General.
- (3) He/she shall assist the Director General in day-to-day administration of the Bureau or assigned any responsibilities as may be necessary.



- (4) He/she shall act as the Director General of the Bureau in the absence of the Director General.
- (5) The Deputy Director General shall have status of the Undersecretary in the National Government.
- (6) The Deputy Director General shall not hold any office or receive remuneration from any employment or accept employment other than that of the Bureau

#### **18. Employees and Authorized Officers**

- (1) The Board shall appoint and employ such employees as may from time to time be necessary for due and efficient discharge of the functions of the Bureau as described under this Act..
- (2) The terms and conditions of employment and remuneration shall be established by the Board with the concurrence of the Minister of Labour, Public Service and the Minister of Finance and Planning.
- (3) The Director General may further appoint temporary support employees to the Bureau as authorized officers for the purposes of executing the mandate of the Bureau under this Act.

#### **19. Oath of Secrecy**

Every person appointed as an officer of the Bureau shall, before assuming such duties, subscribe to the oath contained in the Second Schedule of this Act.

### **CHAPTER IV**

#### **COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION OF STATISTICAL INFORMATION**

#### **20. Decennial Population Census**

- (1) The President shall upon the recommendation of the Board, direct the Bureau to conduct a population census and dwellings in South Sudan.
- (2) Without prejudice to sub-Section (1) above, the directives shall specify the date of such census.

#### **21. Collection of Other Statistics**

- (1) The Bureau shall, collect statistics related to all or any of the matters specified in the First Schedule in this Act.
- (2) For purposes of harmonization, the Bureau shall establish statistical standards and ensure their use by all producers and users of statistics as necessary to facilitate the integration and comparison of statistics produced nationally, regionally and internationally.



- (3) The Bureau shall cause statistics collected and any statistical information made available and analysed, subject to the provisions of this Act, cause such statistics or abstracts to be published.
- (4) Any agency other than the Bureau interested to conduct census or survey at all levels in South Sudan shall seek the approval of the Bureau;
- (5) The Agency shall submit its plans to the Bureau three months in advance of the intended data collection exercise. The Bureau may approve or decline to approve the plans based on the specified requirements.
- (6) Without prejudice to sub-Section (5) above, the agency shall obtain the approval and be required to provide the Bureau with the dataset and copies of the report on the collected data.

## **22. Joint Collection**

The Bureau may enter into agreement with any institution, public or private entities, to jointly collect any information that such entities are authorized to collect and share the information collected.

## **23. Access to Public and Other Records**

- (1) Any person who has custody or who is in charge of any document or record that are maintained by any institution, public or private entities, shall on request, provide the Bureau with such document or record.
- (2) Any person who seeks and applies for a document/report in the archives of the Bureau shall be provided with such documents or report provided the archives be credited fully

## **24. Security of Recorded Information**

Any information or data collected by the Bureau in accordance with provisions of this Act, shall be kept confidential, unless it is anonymized data, whether copied or recorded by means of cards, tapes, discs, wires, films, encoded or plain language symbols for processing, storage or reproduced.

## **25. Destruction of Individual Forms and Returns**

The Bureau shall be responsible for disposal of all census and survey forms and returns used for the purpose of census and survey after the data have been scanned and/or digitalised, processed and validated in a period not less than ten years from the date of completion of such census or survey.



## **26. Power to Obtain Particulars**

Where any census or a survey is being undertaken in accordance with provisions of this Act, an authorized officer of the Bureau shall require any person to supply him or her with such particulars as may be necessary for conduct of such census or survey as the case may be.

## **CHAPTER V**

### **FINANCE, AUDIT AND REPORTING**

## **27. Sources of Funding**

- (1) The Bureau's main source of funding shall be through its annual budget allocation from the government, approved in accordance with the budgetary procedures.
- (2) Each year the Bureau shall prepare and submit for approval a budget proposal, in accordance with the government budgetary processes, for the following fiscal year.
- (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-Section (1) above, the Bureau may apply or accept additional funds from the following sources:
  - (a) grants, donations and bequests from local or international development partners;
  - (b) monies received from rents, sale of goods and services provided under this Act;
  - (c) Any other source that maybe approved by the Board;
  - (d) Application and acceptance of additional funds under section 27 (3) (a), (b) and (c) shall require approval of the Ministry of Finance and Planning.

## **28. Accounts**

- (1) The Director General shall cause and keep proper books of accounts and records of all funds received and spent by the Bureau during the Fiscal Year.
- (2) The Director General shall prepare and submit a financial report to the Board not later than three months from the end of the previous Fiscal Year in accordance with national and international laws, including appropriation law and Public Financial Management and Accountability Act, 2011, and International Financial Accounting Standard (IFAS).



## **29. Audit**

- (1) The Director General shall ensure that for each Fiscal Year, the accounts of the Bureau are audited by the Auditor General, or such other audit firm as may be approved by the Auditor General.
- (2) The Auditor-General shall have access to all the books of accounts, vouchers and other records and is entitled to any information and explanation required in relation to such books of accounts or records.

## **30. Annual and Other Reports**

- (1) Notwithstanding the provision of Section 28 above the financial Audit report shall be submitted at least four months after the end of the fiscal year or such other time as required by the government or the Board.
- (2) The Bureau shall publish and disseminate widely its annual report for transparency and accountability.

# **CHAPTER VI**

## **OFFENCES AND PENALTIES**

### **31. Offences and Penalties**

- (1) Any Member, Employee, Officer of the Bureau, or other public agency who has pledged the oath of confidentiality or the Code of Conduct:
  - (a) by virtue of his/her employment comes into possession of any information which might influence or affect the market value of any share or other security, interest, product or Section and who, before such information is made public, directly or indirectly uses such information for personal gain;
  - (b) without lawful authority publishes or communicates to any person otherwise than in the ordinary course of his/her employment any information acquired by him/her in the course of such employment;
  - (c) deserts his/her duty;
  - (d) wilfully makes any declaration, statement or return in the performance of his/her duties, or otherwise compiles for issue, any false statistics or information;
  - (e) in the performance of his/her duties, obtains or seeks to obtain information that he/she is not duly authorized to obtain;



- (f) asks, receives or takes, in respect of, or in connection with his/her employment under this Act from any person, other than a public officer duly authorized thereto, any payment or reward;
  - (g) acts in contravention of the oath of confidentiality or the Code of Conduct;
  - (h) wilfully fails to keep any document or record containing information, collected under this Act, in his/her custody in such manner as to ensure that unauthorised person or persons will not have access thereto; or
  - (i) wilfully destroys any record containing information, collected under this Act;  
commits an offence and shall upon conviction, be sentenced to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or with a fine not exceeding SSP 500,000 (as shall be determined by the Regulations) or both.
- (2) Any person, who is being in possession of any official statistical information which to his/her knowledge has been disclosed in contravention of the provisions of this Act, publishes or communicates to any other person such information, commits an offence and shall upon conviction, be sentenced to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one and half years or with a fine not exceeding SSP 1,000,000 (as shall be determined by the Regulations) or both.
- (3) Any person who:
- (a) hinders or obstructs any authorized officer in the lawful performance of any duties or in the lawful exercise of any powers conferred upon him/her under this Act;
  - (b) refuses or wilfully neglects –
    - I. to complete and supply within the time specified the particulars required in any return form or other document left with or sent to him/her; or
    - II. to answer any question or inquiries put to or made of him/her under this Act,
  - (c) knowingly makes in any return, form, or other document completed by him/her under this Act or in an answer to any question or inquiry put to or made of him under this Act, any statement which is untrue in any particular material;
  - (d) without lawful authority, destroys, defaces, or mutilates any return, form or other document containing particulars collected under this Act;
  - (e) not being an authorized officer, assumes the quality of, or represents himself/herself to be an authorized officer with the intent to obtain admission on any premises which he/she is not entitled to enter;
  - (f) wilfully refuses without reasonable cause to avail information, records and documents required for statistical purposes, in accordance with the provisions of this Act;
  - (g) fails to inform the Bureau after receiving a questionnaire that he/she is no longer subject to answering the questionnaire;
  - (h) contravenes any provisions of this Act or Regulations;
  - (i) impersonates an officer or member of the Bureau or of the Board for the purpose of obtaining information from any person:



commits an offence and shall upon conviction, be sentenced to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or with a fine not exceeding SSP 1,000,000 (as shall be determined by the Regulations) or both.

- (4) A conviction of an offence under sub section (3) (a) to (g) above does not relieve any individual, business or other organization of the obligation to supply the information so requested by the Bureau or the correct information.

## **CHAPTER VII**

### **MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

#### **32. Official Seal and Logo**

- (1) The official seal and logo of the Bureau shall be in a form to be decided and determined by the Board.
- (2) The official seal when affixed to any document shall be authenticated by the signature of the Director General or such other person whom he/she may authorise.

#### **33. Confidentiality**

All anonymized data of the Bureau shall be confidential and shall not be divulged or published by any person unless with prior written permission of the Director General.

#### **34. Regulations**

The Board shall make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for implementation of the provisions of this Act.

#### **35. Oath or Affirmation of Office**

The Chairperson, Members of the Board, Director General, Deputy Director General shall before assume his or her office after taking the following oath or affirmation before the President:

"I ....., do hereby swear by the Almighty God, solemnly affirm that as Chairperson, Member of the Board, Director General, Deputy Director General of the Bureau, in conformity with the National Bureau of Statistics Act, 2024 of South Sudan, and all the orders made there under, shall faithfully, diligently and honestly discharge my duties vested upon me by the Bureau, with integrity and dignity and in the best interest of the people of South Sudan; and I shall respect and abide by the

law, rules, regulations and that I shall not without due authority disclose or make known any information, matter or thing that comes to my knowledge by reason of my employment with the Bureau. So help me God or /God is my witness”.



## FIRST SCHEDULE

Matters Concerning Statistical Information that may be Collected, Compiled, Analysed, Abstracted and Published:

Matters Concerning Statistical Information that may be Collected, Compiled, Analysed, Abstracted and Published are the following:

1. Population.
2. Housing.
3. Vital occurrences and morbidity.
4. Immigration, emigration and displacement.
5. Transportation and storage.
6. International Trade, Balance of Trade and Balance of Payments.
7. Agriculture, dairy and livestock development, fisheries, forestry, hunting and gathering.
8. Building and construction.
9. Mining and quarrying, including extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas, quarrying of stone, sand and clay, and prospecting of metallic and non-metallic, petroleum and natural gaseous products.
10. Manufacturing and allied industries.
11. Stock of manufacture and manufactured goods.
12. Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply.
13. Water undertakings and sanitary services.
14. Wholesale and Retail Trade, including agents and brokers.
15. Tourism, Hotels, accommodation and food service activities.
16. Information and communication, including publishing activities, radio and television broadcasting, telecommunication, computer programming and information and service activities.
17. Employment and unemployment.
18. Salaries, wages, bonuses, fees, allowances and any other payments and honoraria for services rendered.
19. Personal and households Income, Savings and expenditure.
20. Entrepreneurship Income, earnings, profits, commission and interest.
21. Social matters including associations of employers, employees and other persons generally.
22. Industrial disturbances and disputes.
23. Financial and insurance activities, including pension funds services.
24. Real estate activities.
25. Professional, scientific and technical activities, including activities relating to legal, accounting, research and development, opinion poll, elections etc.
26. Rental and leasing activities.
27. Travel agency, tour operator, reservation service and related activities.



28. Security and investigation activities.
29. Services to buildings and landscape activities.
30. Community development and socio-economic Administration of the State and local government.
31. Defence, Public order and safety activities, including law enforcement, administration of justice, crimes, punishments and rehabilitation measures.
32. Compulsory social security activities.
33. Human health and related social activities.
34. Creative arts and entertainment activities.
35. Libraries, archives, museums and other cultural activities.
36. Memberships into local, regional and international organizations and their activities.
37. Repair of electronics and personal and household goods.
38. Washing and dry cleaning of textile and fur products.
39. Hairdressing and other beauty treatment.
40. Funeral and related activities.
41. Activities of households as employers of domestic personnel.
42. Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities.
43. Transport and storage, including means such as land; water, or air and via pipelines.
44. Motor vehicles, motorcycles and bicycles repair.
45. Injuries, accidents and compensations
46. Stock of manufacture and non-manufactured goods.
47. Lotteries, sweepstakes, charitable and other public collection of money.
48. Land ownership, tenure, occupation and use.
49. Handcrafts and rural industries.
50. Community, social, welfare, religious and personal services.

## **SECOND SCHEDULE**

### **Form of Oath**

#### **Oath or Affirmation of Office (From Section 35)**

The Chairperson, Members of the Board, Director General, Deputy Director General shall before assume his/her office after taking the following oath or affirmation before the President:

"I ....., do hereby swear by the Almighty God, solemnly affirm that as Chairperson, Member of the Board, Director General, Deputy Director General of the Bureau, in conformity with the National Bureau of Statistics Act, 2024 of South Sudan, and all the orders made thereunder, shall faithfully, diligently and honestly discharge my duties vested upon me by the Bureau, with integrity and dignity and in the best interest of the people of South Sudan; and I shall respect and abide by the law, rules, regulations and that I shall not without



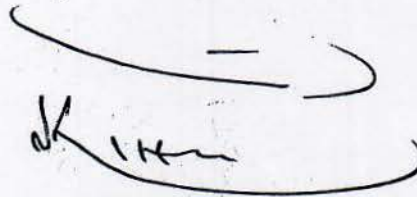
due authority disclose or make known any information, matter or thing that comes to my knowledge by reason of my employment with the Bureau. So help me God or God is my witness”.



### Assent of the President

In accordance with provisions of Article 85 (1) of the Transitional Constitution of the Republic of South Sudan, 2011 (as amended), I, Salva Kiir Mayardit, President of the Republic of South Sudan, hereby assent to the National Bureau of Statistics Act, 2024 and sign it into law.

Signed under my hand this 11<sup>th</sup> day of the month of Nov. in the year, 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Salva Kiir Mayardit', with a large, sweeping flourish underneath.

**Salva Kiir Mayardit**  
**President**  
**Republic of South Sudan**  
**Juba**