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MEDIA NOTE

Arrival of Federal Bureau of Investigation Official

A senior official from the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) will arrive in Juba this week to assist the Government of the Republic of South Sudan (RSS) in its murder investigation of South Sudanese journalist/blogger and political commentator Isaiah Ding Abraham Chan Awuol (penname Isaiah Abraham). Abraham was killed by unknown assailants at his residence either during the evening hours of Tuesday, December 4 or early morning hours of Wednesday, December 5 in the Gudele neighborhood of Juba.

On December 13, President Salva Kiir Mayardit accepted an offer from U.S. Ambassador to South Sudan, Susan D. Page, for FBI assistance in the RSS's efforts to bring Abraham's killer to justice. The FBI is a U.S. threat-focused national security organization with both intelligence and law enforcement responsibilities. The mission of the FBI is to protect and defend the United States against terrorist and foreign intelligence threats, to uphold and enforce the criminal laws of the United States, and to provide leadership and criminal justice services to federal, state, municipal, and international agencies and partners.

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