

## **Wau Residents Hold Rally to Support DDR**

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Residents of Wau today held a public rally in support of the DDR programme for the State which will be launched on Monday.

The Commissioner of Wau County, Luka Anthony, who spoke on the occasion on behalf of the State Governor, told the gathering that the Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration exercise is a key element of the peace process which will be crowned by the upcoming referendum.

Clip [Luka Anthony in Arabic]

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UNMIS Sector II Coordinator, Ibrahima Ndiaye on his part pledged UNMIS' continued support for the implementation of a credible DDR which he said “remains an essential element in the implementation of the CPA as well as in the process of national reconciliation and economic development”.

Accompanied by police marching band, hundreds of students, civil servants and other residents flocked to Izaac Stadium in Wau where groups of artists presented DDR-related edutainment.

A total of 3,600 SPLA ex-combatants will be demobilized and disarmed in Western Bahr el-Ghazal starting 25 October 2010.