

**ADDENDUM TO THE JOINT MINISTERIAL DECLARATION
OF THE MINISTERS OF FINANCE OF THE HORN OF AFRICA INITIATIVE ON
“STRENGTHENING REGIONAL INTEGRATION IN THE HORN OF AFRICA
THROUGH FACILITATION OF TRADE”**

13 October 2022

**Request of South Sudan to join the Joint Declaration of the HoAI Ministers of Finance
on Trade Facilitation dated 8 August 2022**

During the Horn of Africa Initiative (HoAI) virtual Ministerial Meeting held on 30 June 2022, attended by the Minister of Finance and Planning and the Minister of Trade of South Sudan, a Regional HoAI Trade Facilitation Roadmap was presented and endorsed by the Honorable Ministers of Finance of the HoAI in the presence of the Developing Partners who support the Initiative.

The Roadmap was subsequently formally adopted through a Joint Declaration signed on 8 August 2022 by the Ministers of Finance of the Republic of Kenya, the Federal Republic of Ethiopia, the Republic of Djibouti and the Federal Republic of Somalia.

FOLLOWING the adhesion of the Republic of South Sudan to the HoAI in May 2022 and my appointment as Finance Minister in August 2022;

HAVING had full consultations with the Minister of Trade and Industry, representatives from other government stakeholders in our country, as well as with the other Ministers of Finance of the HoAI;

ACKNOWLEDGING that the Roadmap is fully aligned with priorities at national level of the Republic of South Sudan,

I HEREBY DECLARE my interest and will to join the HoAI Joint Ministerial Declaration on “Strengthening regional integration in the horn of africa through facilitation of trade”, by committing the government of the Republic of South Sudan to pursue the implementation of the goals and activities described in the Roadmap in strict coordination with the other HoAI members and with the Developing Partners supporting the Initiative.

Yours faithfully,



Hon. Dr. Dier Tong Ngor