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On 11 June 2014, the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission convened an informal meeting. The meeting was chaired by the Permanent Representative of Brazil, Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, and addressed the following agenda items: (1) Update on the preparations for the PBC Annual Session (23 June 2014); (2) Advanced preparation for the 2015 Review of the Peacebuilding Architecture.

1. The Chair briefed Member States on the ongoing preparations for the PBC Annual Session of 23 June. He stressed that the event, which takes place for the first time, represents an important opportunity to position the PBC to play a visible and useful role of tackling issues requiring policy development at the intergovernmental level. He noted that the topics identified by the Organizational Committee for the two working sessions – namely 1) and 2) – represent important areas where the political support of the Commission can improve outcomes for the people in countries emerging from conflict.
2. Presenting the updated programme of the annual session, the Chair informed that the meeting would be opened by the UN Deputy Secretary-General and that former President of Timor-Leste, H.E. José Ramos-Horta, would deliver the keynote speech. With regards to the two working sessions, the Chair informed that the interactive discussions in both sessions would be led by panelists, which include the Minister of

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policy and institutional review. Other delegations also expressed determination for the

expressing interest for the review to benefit from contributions by relevant UN entities and field operations, civil society experts, think tanks, and, most importantly, national perspectives from the countries on the PBC agenda and others emerging from conflict.

13. In concluding the discussion, the Chair noted that there is significant convergence on the broad objectives of the review and that it will not be difficult to arrive at an agreement on a scope that would reflect such convergence. He noted that he intends