Madame President,

Allow me to describe two areas that the Commission will devote special attention to over the coming months. First of all, we will pay particular attention to preparations for the upcoming presidential and legislative . This will include engaging with national stakeholders such as the National Election Commission and the Governance Commission to support efforts by the government to ensure that elections are successfully conducted and contribute to further democratic consolidation. By addressing critical factors early, we hope that the PBC can support preventive measures, ranging from ensuring that efficient and quick

during and beyond the transition, both in terms of mobilizing financial support and political accompaniment. The resolutions on Sustaining Peace adopted this spring provide clear guidance and strong impetus in this regard. The PBC looks forward to continued close collaboration with the Security Council on supporting Liberia on its path towards further consolidation of peace over the coming years.

I thank you.