



Ambassadorial-level meeting of the Peacebuilding Commission

Guinea-Bissau Configuration, 15 February 2017

Chair s Summary

Background

On 15 February 2017,



2. The Chair also referred to the statement delivered by the PBC country configuration at the Security Council session the day before, which called for the international . The statement underlined that it was the people of Guinea-Bissau who were suffering the negative impacts of the political instability due to the lack of basic public services, particularly in the health and education sectors, and the overall socio-economic situation in the country. International partners had delivered a strong message to the Security Council in support of the ECOWAS-led process as a framework to resolve the political situation on the



6. ASG Oscar Fernández-Taranco noted that the Peacebuilding Fund provides US\$10 million to support national dialogue, security sector reform, justice sector reform, and the empowerment of women and youth. He noted that the PBC could strengthen the implementation process of the six-point road map and the Conakry agreement. He commended the recent dialogue meeting held in Bissau on truth and reconciliation which included examples and lessons learned from Timor-Leste and Côte d'Ivoire. Following the recent Strategic Review Mission to Guinea-Bissau, he would discuss with the SRSG how PBF can best support the strategic restructuring of UNIOGBIS and the on-going mediation process led by ECOWAS.

H.E. Mr. Lewis Browne



10. Member states took the floor to make comments and ask questions. Member States expressed concern about the ongoing stalemate and political impasse in Guinea-Bissau, which could increase the risk of instability and socio-economic deterioration in the country, and underlined that the implementation of the six-point road map and the Conakry agreement provided the framework for ending the crisis. Member States reaffirmed their commitment to supporting all efforts to end to the impass. Regional commitment, including the collaboration between the AU and ECOWAS, was also appreciated.

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