

**Statement of the Central African Republic Configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission
on the outcome of the first round of elections in the CAR.**

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The members of the Central African Republic (CAR) Configuration of the United Nations Peacebuilding Commission (PBC) take note of the peaceful holding of the first round of presidential elections held on 30 December 2015.

The PBC commends and underscores the clear wish of the population to end the crisis besieging the country and its aspiration for democracy, stability, economic progress, and national reconciliation.

The PBC also welcomes the vital and complementary contributions of MINUSCA through the United Nations Integrated Electoral Assistance and its security force, the African Union (AU), the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) and all other partners in supporting CAR to finalize the first phase of the presidential electoral process

The PBC acknowledges in particular the tireless efforts of the