

Peacebuilding Commission
Informal Meeting on the Situation in The Gambia
4 December 2017

On 4 December, the Peacebuilding Commission (PBC) convened a meeting on the situation in The Gambia. The meeting was chaired by H.E. Mr. Cho Tae-yul, Chair of the PBC. The meeting was convened, upon the request of the Government of The Gambia, to discuss

The Chair opened the meeting by

another institutional reform priority. In view of the conditions of detention under the previous Gambian Government, prison reform is also a human rights priority of the new government. The Minister also identified the liberalization of the media and the role of civil society organizations as another reform priority for the government. Finally, he informed that the Truth, Reconciliation and Reparation Commission was a key tool to bridge the past and the future of The Gambia. The Commission was created to find the truth; identify those who bear the gravest responsibilities; and look at reparations that are not only financial compensations but also scholarships and other forms of support for victims of violations. The Minister thanked PBSO for providing PBF support to pursue transitional justice.

Ms. Ade Mamonyane Lekoetje, UN Resident Coordinator in The Gambia, recalled that

