## **Roundtable Session 1**

Recurrent crises and sustainable solutions: building resilience and addressing rising food insecurity 20 June 2022, 10:00-13:00

## remarks

As we find ourselves in serious food security challenges across the world, more so in vulnerable countries, I welcome the opportunity to participate in this timely roundtable to share the Commission's experience in helping to address emerging and compounded challenges, vulnerabilities, and instability.

In the last few years, the PBC has been working with concerned countries in providing support for durable solutions, as sought by them, grounded in the notion that peace, security, human rights, and development are all interlinked. This includes support for strengthening local, national, and regional capacities to better withstand, adapt, and quickly recover from stresses and shocks. The PBC has also been working in partnerships with the Peacebuilding Fund, which has provided \$903 million in assistance to projects and initiatives in 65 countries between 2017 and 2021.



disabilities, and those in vulnerable situations. The Commission wishes to underscore the need to act early to avoid acute food insecurity and famine risk, and to ensure the proper functioning of food systems and markets as a critical element in addressing the root causes of conflict and poverty and building sustainable recovery. It is also vital that International Humanitarian Law is fully respected, including full humanitarian access and protection of civilian infrastructure.

Second, we must continue to pay attention to persistent regional inequalities. During the