

# Ambassadorial-Level Meeting of the Peacebuilding Commission Liberia Configuration

12 November 2020

## Chair's Summary

1. On 12 November 2020, H.E. Ms. Anna Karin Eneström, Permanent Representative of Sweden to the United Nations and Chair of the Liberia Configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission (P\*#+), convened an Ambassadorial-level meeting for the Government of Liberia and international partners to update on priorities for continued support to building and sustaining peace in Liberia, with a focus on Liberia's senatorial elections, referendum on transitional constitutional reform and two representative bodies (elections, since 12 November 2020, and the re-issuance of women's participation and empowerment in Liberia).
  2. In her opening remarks, the Chair recalled the meeting of the Configuration in April (focus on the socio-economic impact of COVID-19 in the country), and her subsequent visit to Liberia, meeting with the Government and civil society, as well as meetings with the UN Secretary-General, for a focus on their assistance and the panel. The Chair noted that one of the key messages of her mission with civil society organizations in Liberia, was their call for the international community to keep attention on promoting elections, ensuring that they are conducted in a free, fair and transparent manner. The Chair stressed that the elections and their outcome would pose a significant test to Liberia's peacebuilding and sustaining peace in Liberia over the transitional months (as noted the significant challenge for Liberia of the situation related to elections in the region. She highlighted Liberia's strong history of women's participation and leadership in peacebuilding and the importance of efforts to ensure women's full, effective and meaningful participation in these elections. She also noted with concern, reports of increase in gender-based violence in Liberia during the months of COVID-19 and to COVID-19 and women's response, including in the case of (sexual) violence a national emergency and a coordinated response to the implementation of a National Roadmap on Rape and Sexual Violence and Gender-Based Violence, and the Minister's role in the implementation of the national response to the COVID-19 pandemic, with the support of the international community, in its
- >. H.E. The Honourable Saa Kema, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Liberia underscored the timelessness of the meeting and the Government's commitment to the goal of free, fair, transparent and peaceful elections, critical to peace and development in Liberia, and in particular efforts to ensure the participation of women, and to address violence against women. He further noted the adoption of appropriate measures to address the situation. The Minister updated the Commission on Liberia's national response to the COVID-19 pandemic, with the support of the international community, in its

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10. In his closing remarks, H.E. Mr. Zsolt Kovacs, Chairman of the Mission of Hungary to the United Nations, reaffirmed the importance of the negotiations and the strengthening of the role of Hungary in the United Nations, and expressed gratitude to the international community, the United Nations, working closely together with the ECOSOC, the Peace Agreement in the Commission and the participation of Ambassador Eneström, and the Peace Agreement in the Support Office and the Peace Agreement in the 7th .

11. The Chairman of the briefers and the note of the minutes on the work being carried out in order to create a conducive environment for the negotiations, and the Chairman of the Commission of the Peace Agreement. The importance of the negotiation to the continuation of the work of the Commission to sustain the peace, and the need for action towards the negotiations are