## Summary of the informal meeting

accompaniment to the follow up of the Forum's outcome. Ambassador Balé noted that the International Mediator, President Sassou Nguesso has advocated tirelessly for the cause of peace and stability in the Central African Republic, internationally and in the sub region. Regarding the issue of the peace talks in Nairobi, the Ambassador of Congo said he would keep the Chair of the Configuration informed of any significant developments.

Additional key aspects underscored by SRSG Gaye with regard to the immediate needs of the country include the launch of an effective DDR process with a Community Violence Reduction (CVR) element. Equally urgent, the SRSG spoke about the need to reinforce the State's capacities and extend its reach throughout the country as it is vital to deliver peace dividends to the population. He added that even if delayed, the holding of elections would be crucial in order to move the process beyond the