



reconciliation-related initiatives to help Sri Lanka consolidate gains in advance of elections in 2019 (presidential) and 2020 (parliamentary).

3. SCRM Secretary General Mr. Mano Tittawella described the complex, multi-layered institutional framework that underpins Sri Lanka's transitional justice and reconciliation processes. The Secretary General



dialogue and conflict prevention activities. Mrs Wijayatilaka commended the UN Resident Coordinator and DPPA's assistance to build mediation techniques and skills for business leaders in support of conflict prevention in four potential hot spots. She noted that the private sector in Sri Lanka continues to call for clear and consistent Government policies on peace and reconciliation to enable the sector to broaden its work in peacebuilding.

8. Member States welcomed the briefing and made the following observations:

- Highlighted the PBC meeting as timely and comprehensive, and commended the constructive role the PBC can play in support of Sri Lanka's national peacebuilding efforts.
- Noted that Sri Lanka serves as a successful partnership model between the UN and Member States to advance peacebuilding and national ownership, including through the catalytic support provided by both the PBC and the PBF.
- Congratulated Sri Lanka for overcoming the 2018 constitutional crisis in a peaceful manner that demonstrated the resilience of its institutions.
- Welcomed the Government's continued commitment to peacebuilding and sustaining peace as demonstrated by its co-sponsoring of HRC resolution 40/1 in March 2019.
- Commended Sri Lanka's continued commitment and engagement to transitional justice and reconciliation, including through the operationalization of the OMP and OfR, and demonstrating commitment to move ahead to establish the Truth Seeking Commission and judicial accountability mechanisms.
- Underscored the importance of national ownership and the 'whole of society' approach of the Government's peacebuilding agenda that integrates all segments of Sri Lanka society. Member States noted that national ownership of the peacebuilding agenda is strengthened by the Government's allocation of national budget resources for identified peacebuilding and reconciliation priorities.
- Welcomed with encouragement the Government's engagement of the national private sector in peacebuilding and reconciliations efforts in the country and considers it a good practice.
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9. In concluding remarks, H.E. Mr. Amrith Rohan Perera, Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka to the UN, expressed appreciation to the PBC for convening the meeting and offering the opportunity to update Member States on the progress, lessons learned and existing challenges of peacebuilding and sustaining peace in Sri Lanka. The Permanent Representative referred to the PBC briefing as