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actors. As good governance will be one pillar of the EC's 2008-2013 programme of cooperation with Burundi, the European Union looks forward to the outcome of the PBC's deliberations on the IPBS in order to feed it into the development of its own programme.

6. The visit of the President of the World Bank (7 March 2007) was welcomed as an important sign of the international community's attention to Burundi's post conflict recovery efforts.

Remaining challenges

- 7. While acknowledging that a separate informal CSM session on the rule of law is envisaged, the importance of addressing transitional justice in connection with good governance was underlined.
- 8. Gender issues, including the impact of the conflict on Burundian women (rape, projected decline in life expectancy from 60 to 39

12. In closing the meeting, the Chair thanked all participants for their contribution to a session that provided solid understanding of governance issues a