

TO: Members of the Peacebuilding Commission Central African Republic (CAR) Configuration

**Informal meeting of the CAR Configuration  
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4. Mr. Herve Ladsous reported on his recent visit to the Central African Republic where he attended \_\_\_\_\_ and met with a host of national and international stakeholders. He hailed the elections in CAR and pointed out that positive lessons could be drawn from the Central African electoral process and the acceptance of its outcome. Mr. Ladsous warned, however, that serious obstacles lie ahead, while the list of priorities that the Government must tackle is extensive, chief among them; disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation (DDRR) of armed groups, the reform of the security sector (SSR), and extension of the authority to the entire territory to ensure the delivery of peace dividends such as social services. Equally important, Mr. Ladsous called for support of Member States to the Special Criminal Court, which will constitute an important measure to combat impunity.
  
5. \_\_\_\_\_ first 100 days in office will be crucial in terms of creating the necessary credibility and cooperation among national and international stakeholders. In this connection, the Under Secretary-General mentioned his conversation with President Touadera regarding the adoption of a political compact between the national Government, the United Nations and the wider international community for the next two to three years. President Touadera on the principle of establishing a partnership based on a framework of mutual commitment and responsibility

7. Commenting upon the presentations of the speakers, the Assistant Secretary-General for Peacebuilding Support, Mr. Fernandez-Taranco focused his comments on the need to capitalize quickly upon the window of opportunity afforded by the positive drive of the elections

to constitutional order requires special and sustained attention, in particular political and diplomatic backing. Mr. Fernandez-Taranco highlighted the convergence between priorities expressed by President Touadera and those identified consistently by the international community, namely the need to build stability and ensure security, foster national reconciliation, the return of displaced populations and promote economic development. Mr. Fernandez-Taranco reaffirmed that CAR will remain one of PBSO's priority countries, for  
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between the UN, WB and other key partners.

8. Member States expressed solidarity with the Kingdom of Morocco and extended condolences for the loss of a Moroccan peacekeeper in CAR. Member States welcomed the insightful briefings from the guest speakers and commended the efforts made by the UN and the WB, among others, to keep alive the interest of the international community in cooperating with the new CAR authorities. Member States focused their interventions on the need to learn from past errors to avoid pitfalls from previous initiatives to help CAR recover from conflict. It was widely agreed that the PBC is uniquely placed to maintain the consensus among the international community to support CAR peacebuilding schemes through effective coordination, resource mobilization and ownership of the national development strategy and reconciliation.

9. While multiple and complex challenges remain in CAR1 0 0 1 242.57 352.25 Tm 0 Tcβ Tm(W)-5(h

10. According to several Member States, it is in the interest of regional neighbors to make sure that CAR emerges this time around from recurrent cycles of violence and protracted