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On 10 September 2012, the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission (PBC) convened an informal meeting. The meeting was chaired by the Permanent Representative of Bangladesh, Chair of the PBC, and addressed the following agenda items: (1) Follow up to the Security Council open debate and interactive dialogue on the PBC's annual report (12, 13 July 2012): Discussion of issues and recommendations; (2) Preparations for the High level Event on "Peacebuilding: way towards sustainable peace and security" (25 September 2012); (3) Planned visit of the PBC Chairs' Group to the World Bank; (4) Other matters.

1. The Chairperson recalled that, following the Security Council debate and interactive dialogue on the PBC's annual report of 12 and 13 July, he had promised to prepare a summary highlighting the many and important perspectives and recommendations presented by Member States. The draft summary shared with Member States ahead of this meeting covers two broad aspects: 1) the policy orientation and institutional issues related to the work of the PBC; and 2) the relations with the Security Council. The overall outcome could be considered as complementary to and reinforcing relevant recommendations emanating from the 2010 Review, as well as the findings of the mid year

envisaged end of year assessment of progress.

2. Members welcomed the Chair's summary and discussed the following issues:

The PBC has to strive to strengthen its coordination of peacebuilding activities.

In order to strengthen its support in the region, the PBC should engage the private sector and philanthropic organizations, the World Bank and the African Development Bank. Members welcomed the forthcoming

strengthening the UN system's response to peacebuilding challen

on the PBC agenda is critical for catalyzing broader and more coherent approach to supporting national peacebuilding priorities.

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