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UN Country Team in Guinea-Bissau. Several delegations suggested that the PBC should examine whether there is a need for the strengthening of UN capacity in the country.

- 7. The importance for the PBC to establish good relations with the ECOSOC Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau and with the General Assembly was stressed by several delegations. Over the years, the ECOSOC Ad Hoc Advisory Group had made a number of useful recommendations regarding international support for Guinea-Bissau. In this context, it was suggested to invite the Chair of the Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau, the Permanent Representative of South Africa, to brief the CSM on the work accomplished by his group. The importance of using existing coordination structures and mechanisms to improve the coordination among donors was stressed.
- 8. Ambassador Viotti outlined the next steps in the process and the nature the forthcoming meetings of the Guinea-Bissau configuration in the month of February. The next meeting of the Guinea-Bissau configuration will focus on the mapping of existing resources. The PBSO was preparing relevant documentation to that effect and would make a presentation at the forthcoming CSM meeting, with additional contributions from the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

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