

## **Statement of the PBC Guinea Bissau Configuration on the situation in Guinea-Bissau**

New York - 16 February 2017 --The PBC Guinea-Bissau Configuration met on 15 February 2017, to discuss the situation in Guinea Bissau and exchanged views on the on-going political crisis.

The PBC remains concerned that it is the people of Guinea-Bissau who are suffering the negative impacts of the political instability due to lack of basic public services, particularly in the health and education sector, and the overall socio-economic situation of the country.

The PBC reiterates its backing to the various efforts made by international and regional stakeholders, towards assisting the Bissau-Guinean parties to end the political stalemate in order to regain the momentum for the implementation of their programme of national

The PBC welcomes the continuing support of international partners to development programmes in Guinea Bissau.