

Security Council meeting on West Africa and the Sahel
Remarks by the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission

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Mr. President,

Thank you for inviting me to share the Peacebuilding Commission's perspectives. I would like to express the Commission's full support for SRSG Annadif's good offices in West Africa and the Sahel, and the activities of UNOWAS. Drawing on the Commission's country-specific and regional engagements, I wish to bring following points to the Security Council's attention:

1. The Commission has consistently recognized the region's potential to yield peace and inclusive

efforts to reinvigorate the Ministerial Coordination Platform of Sahel Strategies as part of the responses to the challenging context.

14. The Commission therefore invites partners to explore how PBF support for addressing the root causes of crises in the region could be scaled-up, including through strengthened