

5. *Invites* the Bretton Woods institutions to continue to cooperate with the ad hoc advisory groups and identify areas of convergence, in support of the post-conflict recovery phase that these countries are going through;

6. *Decides* to have a substantive debate on the reports of the ad hoc advisory groups as soon as it is appropriate;

7. *Stresses* the need to conclude the mandate of the ad hoc advisory groups, taking into account all aspects of the situation in each case, and decides to assess progress made towards that end on a semi-annual basis;

8. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for the support provided to the ad hoc advisory groups, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure adequate human and technical resources, within existing resources, to provide substantive secretariat support while making maximum use of existing mechanisms and coordination structures, and to ensure the provision of financial resources to cover the operating costs in order to enable the groups to function in a smooth and optimal manner;

9. *Decides* to undertake a further assessment of lessons learned from the experience of the ad hoc advisory groups, including progress made in the implementation of their mandate, during its substantive session of 2006, and requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Economic and Social Council in this regard;

10. *Reaffirms* that each ad hoc advisory group should be specific to the situation prevailing in each country and that further decisions and resolutions should take into account the specific circumstances of any other African country emerging from conflict that requests the establishment of an ad hoc advisory group.

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## **2004/60**

### **Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 2002/1 of 15 July 2002, 2003/16 of 21 July 2003, 2003/50 of 24 July 2003 and 2004/2 of 3 May 2004, and its decision 2003/311 of 22 August 2003,

*Welcoming* the efforts of the African Mission in Burundi as an expression of ownership by the African Union and the establishment of the United Nations Operation in Burundi, in accordance with Security Council resolution 1545 (2004) of 21 May 2004,

1. *Welcomes* the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi;<sup>263</sup>
2. *Reiterates* the importance of maintaining the momentum in consolidating the peace process, calls on donor countries to follow up on the outcome of the

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<sup>263</sup> E/2004/11.

Forum of Development Partners, held in Brussels on 13 and 14 January 2004, and encourages disbursement of funds announced during that meeting;

3. *Requests* the Ad Hoc Advisory Group to continue to follow closely the humanitarian situation and economic and social conditions, to examine the transition from relief to development in Burundi and the way in which the international community supports the process and to report, as appropriate, to the Economic and Social Council at its organizational session in 2005;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, the United Nations Development Group, the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat and other relevant United Nations funds and programmes and the specialized agencies to continue to assist the Ad Hoc Advisory Group in accomplishing its mandate, and invites the Bretton Woods institutions to continue to cooperate to that end.

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## **2004/61**

### **Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 2002/1 of 15 July 2002, 2003/1 of 31 January 2003, 2003/53 of 24 July 2003, 2003/50 of 24 July 2003 and 2004/1 of 3 May 2004, and its decision 2002/304 of 25 October 2002,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the supplementary report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau<sup>264</sup> and its recommendations;

2. *Welcomes* the interaction and cooperation that has taken place between the Economic and Social Council and the Security Council, within their respective mandates, on the situation in Guinea-Bissau;

3. *Welcomes also* the promising developments that have taken place with regard to the economic, social and political situation in Guinea-Bissau following the legislative elections in March 2004 as well as the reforms initiated by the Government to improve the management of public finances;

4. *Welcomes further* the recommitment of the Government of Guinea-Bissau to the partnership approach, endorsed by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 2003/1 of 31 January 2003, calls on donor countries to support the development efforts of the Government of Guinea-Bissau, including through contributions to the Emergency Economic Management Fund, managed by the United Nations Development Programme, and urges the international community, in particular the donor countries, to increase their assistance to the country in meeting its short-term needs and to implement a long-term programme of support;

5. *Encourages* the Government of Guinea-Bissau to hold presidential elections by May 2005 and, in this regard, calls on the international community to support Guinea-Bissau in holding the elections in order to complete the second phase of the Transition Charter;

<sup>264</sup> E/2004/92, annex.