



JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON ECOWAS COMMISSION- PEACEBUILDING SUPPORT OFFICE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON PEACEBUILDING

On 23 April 2018, the President of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Commission, Mr. Jean-Claude Brou, and the United Nations (UN) Assistant Secretary-General for Peacebuilding Support, Mr. Oscar Fernandez-Taranco, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the ECOWAS Commission and the United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office on a partnership in peacebuilding. A signing ceremony took place at United Nations Headquarters in New York, on the margins of the High-Level Meeting on peacebuilding and sustaining peace convened by the President of the General Assembly.

The purpose of the MoU is to provide a framework and strengthen cooperation between the ECOWAS Commission and the UN Peacebuilding Support Office in support of peacebuilding and sustaining peace in West Africa. The MoU will further strengthen coordination of efforts between the two entities and contribute to a more predictable and strategic partnership in the areas of conflict prevention, political dialogue, national reconciliation, democratic governance and human rights.