

Peacebuilding Commission

Provisional Workplan 2018

The following provisional workplan was prepared pursuant to paragraph 4.I of the "Working methods of the Peacebuilding Commission" (as contained in the annex of the Annual report of the PBC on its eleventh session) and it will be further developed and circulated to Member States on a quarterly and monthly basis.

January

- Chair's meeting with former Chairs.
- PBC OC: Adoption PBC report; Election of Officers; Adoption of work plan
The purpose of the meeting will be to adopt the annual report of the PBC on its eleventh session; elect the PBC Chair, Vice-Chairs, and Chairs of the Country-configurations; and approve the annual work plan.

February

- PBC OC (Expert-level): PBC Working methods
The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the PBC focal points.
- PBC Chair and Vice-Chairs: Meeting with Permanent Representatives of the Sahel countries.
The Security Council (S/PRST/2017/2) mandated the PBC to use its convening role to mobilize deeper commitment and partnership in support of the Sahel region. In 2017, the PBC organized a series of meetings on the situation in the Sahel with the participation of the countries in the region. As PBC will continue engagement in the Sahel region, it is important to consult countries of the region to seek their views on PBC support.
- PBC Chair and Vice-Chairs: Meeting with Permanent Representatives of the Great Lakes Region
In November 2017, the PBC held a meeting on the situation in the Great Lakes Region. In December 2017, the Security Council (S/RES/2389) mandated the PBC to support of a collaborative approach in the Great Lakes region. As PBC will continue engagement in the Great Lakes region, it is important to consult countries of the region to seek their views on PBC support
- PBC OC: Report of the Secretary-General on peacebuilding and sustaining peace
The purpose of the meeting will be to give PBC Members the opportunity to exchange views on the report of the Secretary-General and on the upcoming High-level meeting of the General Assembly on peacebuilding and sustaining peace.
- PBC Burundi: Chair's visit to Burundi.
- PBC Burundi: Debriefing on Chair's visit.

- PBC CAR (Expert-level): SSR and DDR, Rule of Law.
- PBC Guinea-Bissau: update
Update on political developments following the resignation of the PM, prepare PBC statement to the Security Council
- PBC Sierra Leone (Expert-level): update
- *Security Council: briefing on Guinea-Bissau*

March

- PBC OC: Financing for peacebuilding – Country specific discussion
Building on the recommendation to further strengthen the synergies between the Commission and the Peacebuilding Fund, the meeting will focus on the peacebuilding challenges in a country receiving funds from the PBF.
- PBC OC: Quarterly briefing by the CSC Chairs. Financing for Peacebuilding: Briefing by the Chair of the PBF Advisory Group
The purpose of the meeting will be to hear the reports of the CSC chairs on their activities in the past quarter and the plans for the next quarter. The Chair of the PBF Advisory Group of the PBF will brief on the activities of the Fund.
- PBC OC: Implementation of the PBC Gender Strategy
- PBC Chair's visit to the World Bank
- PBC CAR: Chair's visit to Washington D.C., to engage with the World Bank, IMF and US State Department on CAR
- PBC CAR: Update on pillar 1.
- PBC Liberia: Chair's visit to Liberia.
To meet new government and participate in the "Liberia Moment" meeting being organized by UNMIL UNCT
- PBC Sierra Leone: update.

April

- PBC OC: Regional approach: Sahel
In implementation of Security Council PRST/2017/2, and following up on the work done by the Commission in 2017, the meeting will contribute to mobilizing deeper commitment and partnership within and outside the UN system. The meeting encouraged efforts to enhance coordination and cooperation among the countries in the region, United Nations and other regional and international actors.

- PBC OC: The situation in the Gambia
Following up on the discussions convened in 2017, the meeting will further explore ways for the Commission to support peacebuilding in the Gambia.
- PBC Liberia: Update
To discuss the trip of the Chair to Liberia, priorities of new government, status of phase I and development of the phase II of the Peacebuilding Plan, departure of UNMIL and status of needed support for UNCT.
- PBC Guinea-Bissau: Chair's visit to Guinea-Bissau
- *General Assembly: High-level meeting on peacebuilding and sustaining peace*
- *Security Council: Consultations on Liberia*

May

- PBC OC: Financing for peacebuilding – Regional discussion
Building on the recommendation to further strengthen the synergies between the Commission and the Peacebuilding Fund, the meeting will focus on the peacebuilding challenges of countries receiving funds from the PBF.
- PBC OC: Regional approach: Great Lakes
Following up on the discussion convened in 2017, and as mandated by the Security Council (S/RES/2389), the meeting will focus on ways to support a collaborative approach between the countries in the region and the AU and African sub-regional organizations, as well as international partners, to address the root causes of conflict. The meeting will also further raise awareness and mobilize support to the Great Lakes Regional Strategic Framework.
- PBC OC (Expert-level): Youth.
- PBC CAR (Expert-level): Reconciliation.
- PBC Guinea-Bissau: report on Chair's visit to Bissau.
- PBC Sierra Leone (Expert-level): preparations of Chair's visit.
- PBC Sierra Leone: Chair's visit to the Sierra Leone. Agree on new modalities of PBC support to the country with national authorities/ stakeholders following the 7 March elections.
- *GA: Annual debate on the PBC and PBF reports.*

June

- Peacebuilding week:

SC-PBC Informal Interactive Dialogue

PBC Annual Session: Sahel

The Annual Session will be an opportunity for the Commission to further contribute to coordination and cooperation, as well as fostering strategic coherence in support of the Sahel region. The Annual Session will focus specifically on bringing together UN, IFIs, regional and sub-regional organizations, civil society and, where relevant, the private sector, to discuss support to the peacebuilding efforts in the Sahel.

ECOSOC-PBC event

PBF Stakeholders meeting

- PBC CAR: RCPCA.
- PBC Liberia (Expert-level): Update
Update on political situation, status of implementation of the phase II of the Peacebuilding Plan and support for UNCT, pilot project with Peacenexus on concessions, status of PBF supported projects
- PBC Sierra Leone: follow-up to Chair's visit.

July

- PBC OC: Peacebuilding in the context of Ebola recovery (Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone).
Following up on the work done by the Commission since 2014, the meeting will focus on the peacebuilding challenges still facing countries affected by the Ebola crisis.
- PBC – AU Peace and Security Council Annual Meeting
Following PBC delegation visit to the AU Headquarters in 2016, the AUPSC issued a Communique calling for stronger partnership with the PBC, including: a meeting between AU-PSC and the PBC on an annual basis, with meetings in Addis Ababa and New York in alternate years. In 2018, the meeting is expected to be held in New York, when AUPSC visits for meeting with the Security Council.
- PBC OC: Quarterly briefing by the CSC Chairs. Financing for Peacebuilding: Briefing by the Chair of the PBF Advisory Group
The purpose of the meeting will be to hear the reports of the CSC chairs on their activities in the past quarter and the plans for the next quarter. The Chair of the PBF Advisory Group of the PBF will brief on the activities of the Fund.
- PBC CAR: Update on RCPCA
- PBC CAR: Chair's visit to Brussels and CAR.

August

- PBC Guinea-Bissau: update
Political update preparation for SC statement by PBC
- *Security Council: briefing on Guinea-Bissau*

September

- PBC OC: Financing for peacebuilding – Country specific discussion
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- PBC CAR: Pillar 2

October

- PBC OC: Quarterly briefing by the CSC Chairs
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- PBC OC: Financing for peacebuilding – Country specific discussion
Building on the recommendation to further strengthen the synergies between the Commission and the Peacebuilding Fund, the meeting will focus on the peacebuilding challenges of a country receiving funds from the PBF.
- PBC OC: Working methods
In implementation of paragraph 7 of the resolutions on the review of the peacebuilding architecture, the meeting will discuss the progress made in improving the Commission's working methods.
- PBC CAR: RCPCA implementation
- PBC Liberia: Update
Update on political situation, effort to address root causes of conflict and reconciliation. Status of implementation of the phase II of the Peacebuilding Plan and support for UNCT.

November

- PBC OC: Financing for peacebuilding – Regional discussion
Building on the recommendation to further strengthen the synergies between the Commission and the Peacebuilding Fund, the meeting will focus on the peacebuilding challenges of a country receiving funds from the PBF.

- PBC OC: Peacebuilding in Africa
Discuss UN-AU collaboration in the area of peacebuilding
- PBC OC: Working methods
In implementation of paragraph 7 of the resolutions on the review of the peacebuilding architecture, the meeting will discuss the progress made in improving the Commission's working methods.
- PBC CAR (Expert-level): Reconciliation
- PBC Guinea-Bissau: update
Political update discussion on presidential elections scheduled for 2019

December

- PBC OC: PBC annual report; briefing by CSC Chairs; Briefing by the Chair of the PBF AG
The purpose of the meeting will be to informally adopt the PBC annual report and to hear reports on their activities by the CSC Chairs. The Chair of the PBF Advisory Group will also brief on the activities of the Fund.