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Letter dated 18 December 2014 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2048 (2012) concerning Guinea-Bissau addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith the report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2048 (2012) concerning Guinea-Bissau, containing an account of the Committee's activities from 1 January to 31 December 2014. The report, which was approved by the Committee, is being submitted in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council of 29 March 1995 ([S/1995/234](#)).

I would appreciate it if the present letter and the report were brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Council.

(Signed) U. Joy **Ogwu**
Chair

Security Council Committee established pursuant
to resolution 2048 (2012) concerning Guinea-Bissau



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I. Introduction

1. The present report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2048 (2012) concerning Guinea-Bissau covers the period from 1 January to 31 December 2014.
2. The Bureau of the Committee consisted of Joy Uche Angela Ogwu (Nigeria) as Chair and the representative of Luxemburg as Vice-Chair.

II. Background

3. By paragraph 4 of its resolution 2048 (2012), the Security Council imposed travel restrictions on five designated individuals, with immediate effect, and, by paragraph 9, established a committee to oversee the implementation of the targeted measure. On 18 July 2012, the Committee approved the designation of six additional individuals.
4. Further background information on the Guinea-Bissau sanctions regime can be found in the previous annual report ([S/2013/779](#)).

III. Summary of the activities of the Committee

5. The Committee met once in informal consultations, on 9 April, in addition to conducting its work through written procedures.
6. In March, the Committee signed an agreement with the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) on the issuance and circulation of INTERPOL-United Nations Security Council Special Notices.
7. On 9 April, the Committee discussed the situation in Guinea-Bissau in the light of the presidential elections that were to be held that month.
8. The Committee sent five communications to five Member States and a communication to INTERPOL with reference to the implementation of the sanctions measures.

IV. Exemptions

9. Exemptions to the travel ban allow for travel when the Committee determines that travel is justified on the grounds of humanitarian need, including religious obligation; for the fulfilment of a judicial process; and when the Committee determines on a case-by-case basis that an exemption would further the objectives of peace and national reconciliation in Guinea-Bissau and stability in the region.
10. During the reporting period, the Committee received no exemption requests.

V. Sanctions list

11. The criteria for the designation of individuals as subject to the travel ban are set out in paragraph 6 of resolution 2048 (2012). The delisting procedures are described in the guidelines of the Committee for the conduct of its work.
12. As at the end of the reporting period, 11 individuals had been designated as subject to the travel ban.

VI. Secretariat administrative and substantive support

13. The Security Council Affairs Division provided administrative and substantive support to the Chair and members of the Committee. Support was also provided to Member States to promote understanding of the sanctions regime and to facilitate the implementation of the sanctions measures.
 14. The Division also managed the Committee's website in accordance with the Committee's guidelines, including by updating the sanctions list of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2048 (2012). In 2014, in response to resolutions 2083 (2012) and 2161 (2014), and to further promote the implementation of Security Council sanctions regimes by national authorities, the Division standardized the format of all Council sanctions lists and established the Consolidated United Nations Security Council Sanctions List, comprising the names included in all the sanctions lists of the Council sanctions committees. In addition, the Division created and maintained INTERPOL-United Nations Security Council Special Notices to promote the effective implementation of the sanctions measures.
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