



Security Council

Distr.: General
4 February 2004
English
Original: French

Draft resolution

The Security Council,

Reaffirming its previous resolutions concerning Côte d'Ivoire, in particular its resolutions 1514 (2003) of 13 November 2003 and 1498 (2003) of 4 August 2003 and 1464 (2003) of 4 February 2003,

Reaffirming its strong commitment to the sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and unity of Côte d'Ivoire, and recalling the importance of the principles of good neighbourliness, non-interference and cooperation in relations between the States of the region,

Reaffirming also its endorsement of the agreement signed by the Ivoirian political forces at Linas-Marcoussis on 24 January 2003 (S/2003/99) ("Linas-Marcoussis Agreement"), approved by the Conference of Heads of State on Côte d'Ivoire held in Paris on 25 and 26 January 2003,

Stressing the importance of the complete and unconditional implementation of the measures provided for under the Linas-Marcoussis Agreement, and *taking note* with satisfaction of the progress made recently in this regard,

Recalling its full support for the efforts of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and France to promote a peaceful settlement of the conflict, and *welcoming*, in particular, the effective action taken by the ECOWAS Mission in Côte d'Ivoire (ECOMICI) in order to stabilize the country as well as the commitment of the African Union in supporting the process of national reconciliation in Côte d'Ivoire,

Taking note of the message addressed to the Security Council on 10 November 2003 by the President of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, in which he requested the transformation of the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire (MINUCI) into a peacekeeping operation,

Noting the need for MINUCI to continue carrying out its mandate as outlined in its resolution 1479 (2003),

Affirming its readiness to consider the recommendations in the Secretary-General's report of 6 January 2004 (S/2004/3) as well as the need for a coordination of the United Nations efforts in West Africa,

Noting with concern the continued existence of challenges to the stability of Côte d'Ivoire and *determining* that the situation in Côte d'Ivoire continues to constitute a threat to international peace and security in the region,

Acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations,

1. *Decides* that the mandate of the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire, MINUCI, shall be extended until 27 February 2004;

2. *Decides* to renew until 27 February 2004 the authorization given to Member States participating in ECOWAS forces together with French Forces supporting them;

3. *Takes note* with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on Côte d'Ivoire of 6 January 2004;

4. *Calls* on the signatories of the Linas-Marcoussis Agreement to carry out expeditiously their responsibilities under the Linas-Marcoussis Agreement;

5. *Further calls* on the signatories to take the steps called for by the Secretary-General in paragraph 86 of his report, and *expresses* its readiness to help them to achieve lasting peace and stability;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, pending a decision by the Security Council on the reinforcement of the United Nations presence in Côte d'Ivoire as recommended by paragraph 61 of the Secretary-General's report, to prepare the possible deployment of a peacekeeping operation within five weeks after such decision by the Council;

7. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.
