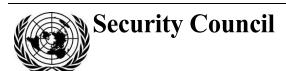
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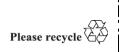
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Letter dated 23 May 2024 from the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission addressed to the President of the Security Council

I thank you for your kind invitation to have the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission submit written advice, under rule 39 of the Security Council's provisional rules of procedure, in connection with the Council's debate on the subject "Maintenance of international peace and security: the role of women and young people", scheduled for Tuesday, 28 May 2024 (see annex).

I kindly ask you to bring the present letter and its annex to the attention of the members of the Security Council and to issue it as a document.

(Signed) Sérgio França Danese Chair Peacebuilding Commission





Annex to the letter dated 23 May 2024 from the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission addressed to the President of the Security Council

Written advice of the Peacebuilding Commission to the Security Council on the role of women and young people in peacebuilding

23 May 2024

Drawing on its Gender Strategy and Action Plan and the Strategic Action Plan on Youth and Peacebuilding, as well as its regular engagements with youth and women peacebuilders, the Commission encourages the Security Council to consider:

- (a) Reiterating the importance of ensuring, in line with resolution 2493 (2019), the full, equal and meaningful participation of women and, in line with resolution 2535 (2020), the full, effective and meaningful participation of young people, including young women, in peacebuilding efforts at all levels and, in particular, in activities aimed at preventing the outbreak, escalation, continuation and recurrence of conflict, addressing root causes and assisting parties to conflict to end hostilities, as well as the importance of their positive contribution to the maintenance and promotion of peace, recognizing that their broad participation often contributes to long-term resilience and strengthening of conflict prevention;
- (b) Emphasizing the important role that women and young people, including young women, can play in the prevention and resolution of conflicts, as well as in building sustainable peace at all levels, reiterating also the need for improved intergenerational dialogue and engagement to foster the exchange of information between generations in an ageing world;
- (c) Reiterating its call for increased and sustained support for the development and implementation of national and regional frameworks and road maps, including national action plans on youth and peace and security and women and peace and security, adopting, where relevant, contextualized approaches;
- (d) Calling for further efforts to support young women to ensure that they are empowered to contribute to peacebuilding and sustaining peace initiatives, and strengthening the role of peace operations, where relevant, in the promotion of inclusive peacebuilding activities that involve young women in conflict, post-conflict and transition settings or situations;
- (e) Recalling General Assembly resolution 78/257, in which the Assembly recognized the need to enhance financing to ensure the full, equal and meaningful participation of women and the inclusion of young people in peacebuilding, and stressing the Commission's commitment in that regard;
- (f) Calling upon Member States to increase their efforts to promote access by young women to socioeconomic opportunities, including through the provision of education, employment opportunities, peace education and capacity-building, and to ensure an enabling and safe environment for their participation in peacebuilding efforts, in particular in conflict, post-conflict and transition settings or situations, including through project support, as appropriate;
- (g) Recalling that enhanced partnerships, including cooperation with international and regional organizations, including financial institutions, are also important in ensuring the inclusion of young people and women in peacebuilding efforts, as well as their engagement in recovery and socioeconomic development;

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(h) Encouraging the Security Council to add youth perspectives to its meetings, including by inviting briefers, and to enable the timely consideration of the reports on youth and peace and security mandated in resolution 2250 (2015), taking into account the Council's rules of procedure, by drawing on the progress achieved and precedent set by the Peacebuilding Commission in seeking to add youth voices to its meetings.

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