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**Coordination, programme and other questions: ad hoc
advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict****Letter dated 9 April 2009 from the Chairperson of the
Peacebuilding Commission and the Chairperson of the Sierra
Leone configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission to the
President of the Economic and Social Council**

We have the honour to refer you to the statement by the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission's country-specific configuration in Sierra Leone (PBC/3/SLE/4), issued on the occasion of the signing of a joint communiqué between the leading political parties in Sierra Leone.

The communiqué is the outcome of a bi-party dialogue facilitated by the United Nations in the aftermath of the incidents of inter-party violence in Sierra Leone of 13 to 16 March. It demonstrates a significant shared commitment between the two largest political parties to the consolidation of democracy and peace in Sierra Leone.

In accordance with paragraph 14 of the founding resolutions of the Peacebuilding Commission, we would like to draw your attention to the recommendation addressed to the international community for follow-up action to the joint communiqué.

The Peacebuilding Commission reiterates its determination to provide unflagging support to the consolidation of peace in Sierra Leone with a view to securing a future that is free from fear and free from want.

(Signed) **Heraldo Muñoz**
Chairperson
Peacebuilding Commission

(Signed) **John McNee**
Chairperson
Sierra Leone Configuration
Peacebuilding Commission

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