

# UNITED NATIONS - AFRICAN UNION PARTNERSHIP

# IN CONFLICT PREVENTION AND MEDIATION, PEACEKEEPING AND PEACEBUILDING



**AUGUST 2018 - JULY 2019** 

#### **POLICY DIALOGUE**

Chad and Niger



54 UN Briefings to the AU Peace and Security Council



1 UN-AU Annual Conference between the Secretary-General and the Chairperson

**UN-AU High-level Solidarity Mission on** 



2 meetings of the UN-AU Joint Task Force on Peace and Security

women, peace and security to South Sudan,



1 UN-AU Consultative Meeting on prevention and management of conflict (desk-to-desk) and regular horizon scanning meetings



Joint field visits to the Central African Republic, Libya, South Sudan and Sudan



Monthly briefings to African members of the Security Council by AU and UN in New York



Regular meetings between representatives of incoming Security Council President and Peace and Security Council Chairperson, facilitated by AU and UN in Addis Ababa



1 workshop for AUPSC Committee of Experts at UN headquarters



Establishment of the Group of Friends of the AU-UN Partnership in Addis Ababa



1 familiarization mission to New York of the new coordinators of the AU Mediation Support Unit and the Network of African Women Mediators (FemWise)

### Mali

UN and AU supported the implementation of the Agreement on Peace and Reconciliation, with progress reported notably in an accelerated disarmament, demobilization and reintegration process.

### Sahel

UN provided financial and technical support to the establishment of the Sahelian Threat Analysis and Early Warning Centre and continued to provide support to the Secretariat of the Sahel Ministerial Coordination Platform, which is co-led by UN and AU.

#### Guinea-Bissau

ECOWAS, with UN and AU support, helped implement the Conakry Agreement on the ECOWAS Roadmap for the resolution of the political crisis in Guinea-Bissau leading to the successful conduct of the legislative elections in March 2019, the appointment of a Prime Minister, the formation of a Government and setting the date for presidential elections for 24 November 2019.

#### Lake Chad Basin

UN worked with AU to provide technical advice to the Lake Chad Basin Commission on the operations of the Multinational Joint Task Force against Boko Haram. UN also assisted in the development of the AU-LCBC Regional Strategy for the Stabilization, Recovery and Resilience of the Boko Haram-affected areas of the Lake Chad Basin Region.

### Libya

UN and AU undertook a high-level joint field visit in March 2019 at Under-Secretary-General level to support UN-facilitated process to reach a political settlement. UN provided weekly updates and logistical support to AUC Chairperson's field visit.

"There has been a quantum leap in our strategic cooperation with the African Union. [...] We have much to show from our combined efforts - and are better positioned to address our shared challenges."

10 February 2019, Secretary-General António Guterres

#### Sudan

UN coordinated with, and supported the efforts of, AU and Ethiopia in facilitating Sudanese-led change, which culminated in the establishment of a civilian-led transitional government.

#### South Sudan

UN, AU and IGAD conducted joint missions in October 2018 and May 2019 to support the full implementation of the Revitalised Agreement on the Resolution of the Conflict in South Sudan as well as the role of South Sudanese women leaders and organizations. UN assisted AU with the transportation of in-kind logistic support for the cantonment process.

#### Somalia

UN and AU conducted a **joint operational readiness assessment** in August 2018 and a joint review in March 2019 of the AU Mission in Somalia. UN also supported the development of the strategic concept of operations of the AU Mission in November 2018.

# Madagascar

UN, AU and SADC helped prevent the deterioration of the political crisis and facilitated peaceful and credible elections in late 2018 and a peaceful transition in January 2019.

#### Cameroon

UN and AU expressed support for efforts to solve the crisis in the North-West and South-West regions through dialogue. In April 2019, Leymah Gbowee, member of the Secretary-General's High-Level Advisory Board on Mediation and the African Women Leaders Network, led a visit to Cameroon in partnership with AU and ECCAS to advocate for the participation and leadership of Cameroonian women in peace and reconciliation initiatives.

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Liberia

UN, AU and ECOWAS

fostered dialogue in

May and June 2019

between the Govern-

ment of Liberia and an

opposition group, thus

guaranteeing the right

of citizens to peaceful

demonstration and the

preservation of law and

UN and ECCAS supported the AU-led mediation process which

resulted in the 6 February 2019 **Political Agreement** as well as its implementation, including through the UN Peacebuilding Fund.

DRC

UN and AU supported the first peaceful transfer of power in the country. MONUSCO and FARDC continued to undertake joint operations to address the threat of foreign armed groups in the eastern part of the country. UN supported the AU Technical Assessment Mission to the Ebola Virus Disease-affected areas in DRC's north-eastern regions.

## **COMMITMENTS**

regulations.



Security Council adopted resolution 2457 (2019) in support of the AU Initiative on Silencing the Guns in Africa by 2020. UN established a Task Force to coordinate and scale up support to the Initiative from across the UN System.

the development of the requisite financial rules and



African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights and OHCHR signed a Memorandum of Understanding to increase cooperation on the promotion and protection of human rights and the rule of law.

UN supported the AU Peace Fund by providing advice on



UN and AU signed Joint Declaration on cooperation for AU-led peace support operations in December 2018.

Full Report of the Secretary-General and list of activities is available under http://undocs.org/S/2019/759 United Nations Departments of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs and Peace Operations. For more information visit dppa.un.org, peacekeeping.un.org and unoau.unmissions.org

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