

# PSC ACTIVITIES

## MONTHLY BRIEF



JULY 2022

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## SUMMARY

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The Republic of Djibouti concluded its chairship of the Peace and Security Council (PSC) of the African Union (AU) for the month of July 2022. During the month of July, the PSC adopted its Provisional Programme of Work with the following three meetings:

- (i) Briefing on the situation in South Sudan
- (ii) Briefing on the situation in Central African Republic and operations of MOUACA
- (iii) Ministerial Meeting on the consideration of the situation in Somalia and operations of ATMIS

The PSC undertook a field mission to Somalia in the course of the month. Some Council Members also participated at the 4<sup>th</sup> Mid-Year Coordination Meeting in Lusaka, Zambia, which focused on the deepening of integration between the AU and the RECs/RMs, as well as the launch of the Inter-Regional Knowledge Exchange Platform on Early Warning and Conflict Prevention (I-RECKE). It should also be noted that the month of July 2022 was chaired by H.E. Ambassador Abdi Mahmoud Eybe, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Djibouti to the AU and the Ministerial meeting was chaired by H.E. Mahmoud Ali Youssouf, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Republic of Djibouti.

### BRIEFING ON THE SITUATION IN SOUTH SUDAN

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The PSC's 1092<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 11 July 2022 focused on the situation in South Sudan. As a guarantor of the Revitalized Agreement on the Resolution of the Conflict in South Sudan (R-ARCSS), the AU applauded the Government of South Sudan for the efforts it has made towards the attainment of peace. Among these endeavours are the incorporation of the R-ARCSS into the Transitional Constitution of 2011, unification of the command-and-control structure of the security forces and the commencement of national consultations on the Commission for Truth, Reconciliation and Healing.

Council underscored the need to expedite a post-conflict needs assessment mission to South Sudan in order to identify priority areas for PCR support. Furthermore, Council requested the AU Commission, in collaboration with the UN and IGAD Secretariats, to initiate plans to develop a strategy to mobilize support for the constitution-making and electoral system processes in South Sudan. In conclusion, the PSC requested the Commission to facilitate access to the Special Fund so as to contribute to addressing the humanitarian needs in South Sudan.

The meeting adopted Communiqué [[PSC/PR/COMM.1092 \(2022\)](#)].

### SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (CAR) AND OPERATIONS OF THE AU MILITARY OBSERVER MISSION TO THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (MOUACA)

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The general decision of the PSC's 1093<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 25 July 2022 was to support the implementation of the Political Agreement for Peace and Reconciliation in the CAR (PAPR-CAR). This is in line with the AU's commitment to support the Government of CAR and its citizens in their efforts to restore peace, security, stability and development which have been seriously compromised by the deplorable security situation in that country.

Specific highlights from the deliberations included the lifting of the arms embargo imposed on the CAR in order to enable the country's National Defence and Security Forces to effectively discharge their constitutional mandate. The meeting also highlighted the need for the Commission to provide humanitarian assistance to the CAR and to ultimately empower the MISAC office, through the Office of the AUC Chairperson, to discharge its mandate effectively. Furthermore, in view of the fact that elections are expected to be held in 2023, the Commission will provide the necessary support for the success of all related activities. In the same context, Council requested the Commission to continue engaging with the EU in the area of financial support for and continuation of the activities of MOUACA. PSC

adopted Communiqué [[PSC/PR/COMM.1093 \(2022\)](#)].

## SITUATION IN SOMALIA AND OPERATIONS OF THE AU TRANSITION MISSION IN SOMALIA (ATMIS)

**P**SC held a ministerial meeting on the Situation in Somalia and the Operations of ATMIS. This ministerial-level engagement was held on 27 July 2022 at its 1094<sup>th</sup> meeting. During the meeting, the PSC congratulated and applauded the new president of Somalia and welcomed the appointment of persons into various cabinet positions. Council applauded ATMIS for the discharge of its mandate in Somalia and stressed the need to sustain the fight against Al-Shabaab. In this regard, Council highlighted the need for enhanced security interventions through the mobilization of the necessary material, human and financial resources for ATMIS and the Somali national security forces. Council also emphasized the need for the Post-Conflict Reconstruction and Development Centre to support the post-conflict reconstruction and peacebuilding efforts of the Federal Government of Somalia. The Commission was requested, in close consultation with the FGS, the UN and other international partners, to finalize the benchmarks for the transition indicating the milestones each of the institutions needs to achieve within the timelines outlined in PSC Communiqué [[PSC/PR/COMM.1068 \(2022\)](#)] and UN Security Council Resolution 2628 (2022).

Council underscored the need for a concerted engagement among the AU, EU, UN and other existing and potential donors on practical and sustainable ways to mobilize resources in order to address the financial challenges facing ATMIS so as to ensure the effective implementation of the CONOPS. Council requested the Chairperson of the AU Commission to resume his engagement with the FGS to identify other critical areas in which the AU can provide support based on the national priorities and adopted Communiqué [[PSC/MIN/COMM.1094 \(2022\)](#)].

## CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE PSC FOR AUGUST 2022

**U**nder its second agenda item, PSC adopted its [Provisional Programme of Work for August 2022](#) on 11 July 2022. The Provisional Programme of Work provides an overview of activities for the following month. These include scheduled meetings and field missions.

### FIELD MISSION TO SOMALIA



*PSC Delegation during the July 2022 field mission in Somalia*

**F**rom 19 to 22 July 2022, PSC was in Mogadishu to conduct a field mission in the country. The purpose of the field mission was to gauge progress made and outstanding challenges, as well as to support the next steps in implementing the decisions of PSC 1068 and UNSCR 2628 (2022), which authorized the transition from AMISOM to ATMIS. During the field mission the PSC paid a courtesy visit to the Prime Minister of Somalia and engaged several stakeholders on the situation in the country and the operations of ATMIS.

### ENVISAGED ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST 2022

**T**he month of August will be chaired by the Republic of The Gambia. Over the period, PSC expects to be involved in eleven activities, including an informal consultation meeting with the Commissioner of Political Affairs, Peace and Security. Other scheduled meetings and engagements are as follows: Joint Engagement

between the PSC and the PRC Subcommittee on Human Rights, Democracy and Governance (HRDG); Consideration of the report of the Commission on Elections in Africa; Discussions on Emerging Technologies and New Media and their Impact on Democratic Governance, Peace and Security in Africa; Updated Briefing on the Situation in the Horn of Africa; 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Consultative Meeting between the PSC and RECs/RMs Policy Organs; Experience Sharing Session between the PSC and AGA Platform Members; Consideration and Adoption of the Draft Provisional Programme of Work of the PSC for September 2022; PSC Session on Sanctions and Enforcement Capacities; Engagement on Deterrence against Unconstitutional Changes of Government; Open Session on Children Affected by Armed Conflicts; Lessons Learning Session on the Implementation of the AU Transitional Justice Policy; Session on the Impact of the Transitional Justice Policy on National Resilience and democratization; and Update on the Deployment of 3,000 Additional Troops to the Sahel.

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONER FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, PEACE AND SECURITY



***Ambassador Bankole Adeoye, Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security (PAPS)***

**O**n behalf of the Chairperson of the Commission, Ambassador Bankole Adeoye congratulated the outgoing Chairperson, H.E. Ambassador Abdi Mahmoud Eybe of the Republic of Djibouti, for his commendable chairship of the Council for the month of July 2022. The Commissioner also welcomed H.E. Ambassador Ms. Jainaba Jagne

of the Republic of The Gambia on her assumption of the chairship for the month of August 2022. The Commissioner assured the Republic of The Gambia of the Commission's readiness to provide all the required support throughout the month and beyond.

CHAIRSHIP OF THE PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL FROM AUGUST 2022 TO JUNE 2023

The Gambia	August 2022
Ghana	September 2022
Kingdom of Morocco	October 2022
Namibia	November 2022
Nigeria	December 2022
Senegal	January 2023
South Africa	February 2023
Tanzania	March 2023
Tunisia	April 2023
Uganda	May 2023
Zimbabwe	June 2023

## Key Speakers/Invited Guests – July 2022

S/N	Meeting/Activity	Key Speakers	Outcome
1.	1092 <sup>nd</sup> PSC meeting on 11 July 2022  Situation in South Sudan	<p>H.E. Ambassador Abdi Mahmoud Eybe, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Djibouti to the AU and PSC Chairperson for July 2022</p> <p>H.E. Ambassador James Morgan, Permanent Representative of the Republic of South Sudan to the AU</p> <p>H.E. Ambassador Bankole Adeoye, AU Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security</p> <p>H.E. Ambassador Professor Joram Mukama Biswaro, Special Representative of the Chairperson of the Commission for South Sudan and Head of AU Liaison Office in Juba</p> <p>H.E. Ambassador Ismail Wais, IGAD Special Envoy for South Sudan</p> <p>Major-General (rtd) Charles Gituai, Interim Chairperson of the Reconstituted Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission (RJMEC)</p> <p>Mr. Nicholas Haysom, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General for South Sudan and Head of the UN Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)</p>	Communiqué- <a href="#">[PSC/PR/COMM.10 92 (2022)]</a>
2.	1093 <sup>rd</sup> PSC meeting on 25 July 2022  Situation in the Central African Republic (CAR) and operations of the AU Military Observer Mission to the Central African Republic (MOUACA)	<p>H.E. Ambassador Abdi Mahmoud Eybe, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Djibouti to the AU and PSC Chairperson for July 2022</p> <p>H.E. Ambassador Fernand Poukre-Kono, Permanent Representative of the CAR</p> <p>H.E. Ambassador Bankole Adeoye, AU Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security</p> <p>H.E. Ambassador Bertino Matias Matondo, Special Representative of the Chairperson of the AU Commission (SRCC) for the CAR</p>	Communiqué- <a href="#">[PSC/PR/COMM.10 93 (2022)]</a>

		Representatives of the Economic Community of East African States (ECCAS), International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR), United Nations (UN) and the European Union (EU)	
3.	1094 <sup>th</sup> PSC meeting on 27 July 2022  Situation in Somalia and Operations of the AU Transition Mission in Somalia (ATMIS)	<p>H.E. Mahmoud Ali Youssouf, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Republic of Djibouti as Chairperson of the PSC for the month of July 2022</p> <p>H.E. Balal Mohamed Osman, Acting Minister and State Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Federal Republic of Somalia</p> <p>H.E. Ambassador Bankole Adeoye, AU Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security</p> <p>Ms. Fiona Lortan, Interim Special Representative of the Chairperson of the Commission for Somalia and Interim Head of ATMIS</p> <p>Representatives of the Troop and Police Contributing Countries (T/PCC)</p> <p>The Representative of the United Nations (UN)</p> <p>The Representative of the European Union (EU)</p> <p>Minister for Africa of the United Kingdom</p>	Communiqué- <a href="#">[PSC/MIN/COMM.1 094 (2022)]</a>

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