

Joint Statement of the Peacebuilding Commission and the World Bank

The Peacebuilding Commission and the World Bank have assembled at United Nations Headquarters in New York on 30 June 2017 to reaffirm the importance of a strong partnership between the two organizations, as outlined in the resolutions on the review of the peacebuilding architecture (A/RES/70/262-S/RES/2282 (2016)) and the UN-World Bank Partnership Framework for Crisis-Affected Situations signed on 22 April 2017 by the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the President of the World Bank. In this regard, the Peacebuilding Commission and the World Bank:

1. Welcome the commitment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the President of the World Bank, reaffirming the importance of national ownership and leadership in peacebuilding, to strengthen the partnership in support of global public goods and to provide effective and sustainable international assistance in conflict-affected countries, upon their request;
2. Reaffirm the work of the Peacebuilding Commission as intergovernmental advisory body to promote an integrated, strategic and coherent approach to international peacebuilding efforts and its function, among others, to serve as a platform to convene Member States, national authorities, UN missions and country teams, international, regional and subregional organisations, international financial institutions (IFIs), civil society, and, where relevant, the private sector in order to provide recommendations and information to improve coordination, strengthen partnerships, develop and share good practices and lessons in peacebuilding, including on institution building, and to seek ways for predictable financing to peacebuilding; and
3. Reaffirm the importance of continued attention to peacebuilding and sustaining peace and, therefore, decide to hold an annual dialogue between the members of the Peacebuilding Commission and senior representatives of the World Bank, including members of its Executive Board, with the view to strengthening the partnership and discussing issues of mutual concern, including how development approaches can complement peacebuilding efforts at regional and country levels.

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