PBC Statement on CAR 21 October, 2021

The Central African Republic Configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission welcomes the recent announcement by H.E Faustin Archange TOUADÉRA, President of the Central African Republic, of a unilateral and immediate ceasefire, starting October 15, 2021. This courageous decision is an important development in the implementation of the Political Agreement for Peace and Reconciliation in the Central African Republic in 2019. It will guide peace and stability efforts in the country, as identified in the priorities of the joint Road Map, adopted in September 2021 by the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR).

The Configuration commends the commitment made by the Central African Republic Government and the main opposition leaders to cease military operations and all armed action throughout the Central African Republic. Furthermore, it condemns any action that could threaten the ceasefire and imperil progress toward implementation of the 2019 Peace Agreement, and it calls upon all remaining armed groups to join in the ceasefire and definitively renounce violence.

The Configuration also welcomes this initiative as a good opportunity for launching and conducting the upcoming Republican Dialogue, in an open transparent and inclusive manner, to help rebuild the country upon sound and solid foundations with the participation of all the stakeholders.

The Central African Republic Configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission seizes this opportunity to reaffirm its full support to the Central African Republic authorities and calls on all regional and international partners to continue supporting the peacebuilding priorities of the country.
