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Letter dated 26 December 2023 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution [2048 \(2012\)](#) concerning Guinea-Bissau addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith the report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution [2048 \(2012\)](#) concerning Guinea-Bissau, containing an account of the Committee's activities from 1 January to 31 December 2023. The report, which was approved by the Committee, is being submitted in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council of 29 March 1995 ([S/1995/234](#)).

I should be grateful if the present letter and the report were brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Council.

(Signed) Lana Zaki **Nusseibeh**
Chair

Security Council Committee established pursuant to
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I. Introduction

1. The present report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution [2048 \(2012\)](#) concerning Guinea-Bissau covers the period from 1 January to 31 December 2023.
2. The Bureau of the Committee consisted of Lana Zaki Nusseibeh (United Arab Emirates) as Chair and a representative of Switzerland as Vice-Chair.

II. Background

3. By paragraph 4 of its resolution [2048 \(2012\)](#), the Security Council imposed a travel ban on five designated individuals and, by paragraph 9, established a committee to oversee the implementation of the targeted measure. On 18 July 2012, the Committee approved the designation of six additional individuals. On 20 December 2017, the Committee approved the delisting of one individual.
4. Further background information on the Guinea-Bissau sanctions regime can be found in the previous annual reports of the Committee.

III. Summary of the activities of the Committee

5. The Committee met once in informal consultations, on 24 March, in addition to conducting its work through written procedures. Throughout 2023, the Chair conducted informal bilateral consultations, including with the country concerned.
6. During the informal consultations, held on 24 March, the Committee heard briefings by the Permanent Representative of Guinea-Bissau and the Assistant Secretary-General for Africa in the Departments of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs and Peace Operations about recent developments and the current situation in Guinea-Bissau, including on the political situation in the country.
7. In accordance with paragraph 104 of the annex to the note by the President of the Security Council ([S/2017/507](#)), the Committee issued a press release containing a summary of the informal consultations held on 24 March (SC/15269).
8. In 2023, the Committee received no implementation reports from Member States.
9. The Committee sent three communications to a Member State and other stakeholders with reference to the implementation of the sanctions measures.

IV. Exemptions

10. Exemptions to the travel ban are contained in paragraph 5 of resolution [2048 \(2012\)](#).
11. During the reporting period, the Committee received no exemption requests.

V. Sanctions list

12. The criteria for the designation of individuals as subject to the travel ban are set out in paragraph 6 of resolution [2048 \(2012\)](#). The procedures for requesting listing and delisting are described in the guidelines of the Committee for the conduct of its work.

13. No entries were added to or removed from the list. As at the end of the reporting period, there were 10 individuals on the sanctions list of the Committee.

VI. Secretariat administrative and substantive support

14. The Security Council Affairs Division provided substantive and procedural support to the Chair and the members of the Committee. Advisory support was also provided to Member States to promote understanding of the sanctions regime and facilitate the implementation of the sanctions measures. Induction briefings were also provided to incoming members of the Council to familiarize them with the specific issues relevant to the sanctions regime. To complement those briefings, from 1 to 3 December, the Secretariat conducted the third training session on the design, implementation, monitoring, evaluation, adjustment and redesign of sanctions for incoming members of the Council.

15. The Secretariat continued to update and maintain the United Nations Security Council Consolidated List and the committee-specific sanctions lists in the six official languages and the three technical formats. Furthermore, the Secretariat implemented improvements concerning the effective utilization of and access to the lists, as well as further developing, in all official languages, the data model approved in 2011 by the Committee pursuant to resolutions [1267 \(1999\)](#), [1989 \(2011\)](#) and [2253 \(2015\)](#) concerning Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities, as requested by the Council in paragraph 54 of its resolution [2368 \(2017\)](#).
