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Statement by the President of the Security Council

At the meeting of the Security Council, held on 20 November 2016, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "The Situation in Mali," the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"We, the member states of the Security Council, have come to a consensus regarding the current situation in Mali. We express our sincerest condolences to Mali and its people, and we believe it is of the utmost importance to continue providing aid to that state, especially through regional powers like neighboring states and the African Union. We encourage member-states to provide further financial support to the pre-existing mechanisms that are presently supporting Mali through funding personnel, operational requirements, infrastructure, transportation, and security. The United Nations Security Council looks forward to the ACIRC's ability to regain stability in Mali to allow for UN Peacekeepers to continue to build peace, pursuant to MINUSMA. We believe that the African Capacity for Immediate Response to Crises (ACIRC) is the preferred solution should the situation in Mali further deteriorate. We encourage the African Union to implement the ACIRC to its full capacity as situation in the African continent require. Further, we recommend that the ACIRC bolster its structure, efficiency, and effectiveness through the following means:

1. Providing military support to the ACIRC first through its members' individual military resources, and then financial support by other means.

2. Ensuring that the sovereignty of member-states is preserved when the ACIRC intervenes by requesting consent from relevant member-states.

3. Maintaining that individual member-states of the ACIRC may abstain from sending troops to a specific area given conflicting interests;

4. Creating the role of Supreme Commander for the ACIRC forces, the responsibility of which rotates through the ACIRC's member-states, to be determined at its discretion;

5. Establishing the roles of Lieutenant Commanders, for which each member-state of the ACIRC will appoint one, to lead brigades and divisions;

6. Encouraging the African Union and its member-states to fund intracontinental infrastructure that would better enable the Union and its organs to respond to terrorist threats.

The Security Council will continue to pay close attention to developments."

Passed by consensus, with 0 abstentions