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**Letter dated 31 August 2020 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General and the Permanent Representatives of the members of the Security Council**

I have the honour to inform you that the Security Council has concluded the voting procedure on the draft resolution contained in document [S/2020/850](#), which was submitted by France in connection with the agenda item “The situation in Mali”. The voting was carried out in accordance with the procedure set out in the letter dated 27 March 2020 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Permanent Representatives of the members of the Security Council ([S/2020/253](#)), which was agreed upon in the light of the extraordinary circumstances caused by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

The Officer-in-Charge of the Security Council Affairs Division has received letters from all 15 members of the Security Council indicating their national position on the draft resolution contained in document [S/2020/850](#). The result of the vote is as follows:

*In favour:*

Belgium, China, Dominican Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Indonesia, Niger, Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, South Africa, Tunisia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Viet Nam.

*Against:*

None.

*Abstaining:*

None.

The draft resolution received 15 votes in favour. The resolution has been adopted as resolution [2541 \(2020\)](#) of 31 August 2020. The resolution, which is set out in the annex to the present letter,\* will be issued as a document of the Security Council without delay.

(Signed) Dian Triansyah **Djani**  
President of the Security Council

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## Annex

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S/RES/2541 (2020)

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31 August 2020**Resolution 2541 (2020)****Adopted by the Security Council on 31 August 2020***The Security Council,**Recalling* all its previous resolutions, statements of its President and press statements on the situation in Mali,*Reaffirming* its strong commitment to the sovereignty, unity and territorial integrity of Mali, *emphasizing* that the Malian authorities have primary responsibility for the provision of stability and security throughout the territory of Mali, and *underscoring* the importance of achieving national ownership of peace- and security-related initiatives,*Recalling* the provisions of the Agreement on Peace and Reconciliation in Mali (“the Agreement”) calling upon the Security Council to give its full support to the Agreement, to closely monitor its implementation and, if necessary, to take measures against anyone hindering the implementation of the commitments contained therein or the realization of its objectives,*Expressing* its deep concern regarding the recent developments in Mali, *strongly condemning* the mutiny which happened in Kati, on 18 August 2020, *underlining* the urgent need to restore rule of law and to move towards the return to constitutional order, *reiterating* its strong support to the Economic Community of West African States’ (ECOWAS) initiatives and mediation efforts in Mali, and *expressing its readiness* to discuss this matter, in the course of the year, in light of the potential implications of these recent developments on the implementation of the Agreement,*Recognizing* that some progress was made during the past eight months in the implementation of the Agreement, and that a combination of some level of political will and international pressure, including through the prospect of sanctions, constituted important factors in securing this progress, *expressing* a significant sense of impatience with parties over the persistent delays in the full implementation of key provisions of the Agreement, *further noting* that continued delays in implementation contribute to a political and security vacuum jeopardizing the stability and development of Mali as well as the viability of the Agreement, *stressing* the need for increased ownership and prioritization in the implementation of the Agreement, and *further stressing* the importance of the full, effective and meaningful participation of

women in the mechanisms established by the Agreement to support and monitor its implementation,

*Strongly condemning* all abuses and violations of human rights and violations of international humanitarian law in Mali, *calling upon* all parties to bring an end to such violations and abuses and to comply with their obligations under applicable international law,

*Recalling* the provisions of resolution [2531 \(2020\)](#) urging the Malian parties to take immediate and concrete action, in a spirit of genuine cooperation, to fulfil the priority measures listed in its paragraph 3 before the end of MINUSMA's current mandate, encouraging the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#) ("the Panel of Experts") to identify parties responsible for potential lack of implementation of these priority measures through its regular reporting and interim updates, and expressing its intent, should these priority measures not be implemented by the end of MINUSMA's current mandate, to respond with measures pursuant to resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#) on individuals and entities who are thus obstructing or threatening the implementation of the Agreement,

*Stressing* that all parties to the Agreement share the primary responsibility to make steadfast progress in its implementation,

*Taking note* of the decisions of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#) concerning Mali ("the Committee") of 20 December 2018 and 10 July 2019 that several individuals be placed on the list of individuals and entities subject to measures pursuant to resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#) ("the 2374 Sanctions List") and *further taking note* of the intention of the Committee to consider the removal of these individuals from the 2374 Sanctions List if the priority measures listed in paragraph 3 of resolution [2531 \(2020\)](#) are fully implemented and the individuals designated cease all illicit activities, including those listed in the statement of case, while *stressing* that the Security Council has not yet seen sufficient progress to merit such consideration,

*Reiterating* that individuals or entities placed on the 2374 Sanctions List shall not benefit from any financial, operational or logistical support from United Nations entities deployed in Mali, until their removal from the 2374 Sanctions List and without prejudice to the exemptions set by paragraphs 2, 5, 6 and 7 of resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#), *welcoming* the measures already taken by United Nations entities deployed in Mali to ensure these individuals or entities do not benefit from such support, and *reiterating* its request made in resolution [2531 \(2020\)](#) for the Secretary-General to include in his next quarterly report on MINUSMA an update on these measures,

*Taking note* of the final report ([S/2020/785](#)) of the Panel of Experts,

*Noting* the importance of continued cooperation and information exchange between the Panel of Experts and all other United Nations entities operating in Mali, within their mandates and capabilities,

*Determining* that the situation in Mali continues to constitute a threat to international peace and security in the region,

*Acting* under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations,

1. *Decides* to renew until 31 August 2021 the measures as set out in paragraphs 1 to 7 of resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#);

2. *Reaffirms* that these measures shall apply to individuals and entities as designated by the Committee, as set forth in paragraphs 8 and 9 of resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#);

3. *Decides* to extend until 30 September 2021 the mandate of the Panel of Experts, as set out in paragraphs 11 to 15 of resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#), as well as the request to MINUSMA, as set out in paragraph 16 of resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#), *expresses* its intention to review the mandate and take appropriate action regarding its further extension no later than 31 August 2021, and *requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary administrative measures as expeditiously as possible to re-establish the Panel of Experts, in consultation with the Committee, drawing, as appropriate, on the expertise of the current members of the Panel of Experts;

4. *Requests* the Panel of Experts to provide to the Council, after discussion with the Committee, a midterm report no later than 28 February 2021, a final report no later than 15 August 2021, and periodic updates in between, as appropriate;

5. *Reaffirms* the reporting and review provisions as set out in resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#);

6. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.

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