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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2048 (2012) concerning Guinea-Bissau

Note verbale dated 11 September 2012 from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2048 (2012) concerning Guinea-Bissau and has the honour to respond to the note of 28 June 2012 (see annex).



Annex to the note verbale dated 11 September 2012 from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

Report submitted by Switzerland on the implementation of Security Council resolution 2048 (2012)

Pursuant to paragraph 10 of resolution 2048 (2012) of 18 May 2012, Switzerland has the honour to provide the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2048 (2012) with the following information on implementation of the measures set out in paragraph 4 of the resolution.

On 1 June 2012, the Swiss Federal Council (the Government) adopted the ordinance instituting measures against Guinea-Bissau,* with a view to implementing the United Nations sanctions established in resolution 2048 (2012). The legal basis of the ordinance is the Federal Act of 22 March 2002 concerning the implementation of international sanctions (the Embargo Act).

Paragraph 4 of resolution 2048 (2012): travel ban

This paragraph is implemented by article 3 of the ordinance.

Article 3 (1) prohibits the entry into or transit through Switzerland of the individuals listed in annexes 1 and 2 of the ordinance. Annex 1 contains the list of individuals subject to sanctions under the annex of resolution 2048 (2012).

Article 3 (3) establishes exemptions to the travel ban set out in paragraph 5 of resolution 2048 (2012).

Other measures

In addition to the measures described above, Switzerland has also taken other measures against Guinea-Bissau. Article 1 (1) of the ordinance provides that assets and economic resources belonging to or controlled by the individuals, enterprises and entities listed in annexes 1 and 2 of the ordinance shall be frozen. Annex 2 of the ordinance broadens the circle of individuals subject to sanctions in order to align with the measures taken by the European Union.

Article 1 (2) prohibits the provision of assets to individuals, enterprises and entities subject to the asset freeze and stipulates that assets or economic resources shall not be made directly or indirectly available to them.

Article 5 establishes the obligation to declare frozen assets to the competent Swiss authorities.

As at the beginning of August 2012, no assets had been declared to the competent Swiss authorities.

* The text referred to is on file with the Secretariat and is available for consultation.