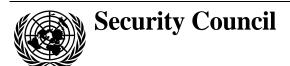
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## Official communiqué of the 5678th (closed) meeting of the Security Council

Held in private at Headquarters, New York, on Monday, 21 May 2007, at 3 p.m.

In accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the following communiqué was issued through the Secretary-General in place of a verbatim record:

"At its 5678th meeting, held in private on 21 May 2007, the Security Council considered the item entitled 'The situation in Burundi'.

"The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Burundi and Norway to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

"In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Youssef Mahmoud, Executive Representative of the Secretary-General for Burundi.

"The Council heard a briefing by the representative of Norway, Vice-Chair of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission.

"The representative of Burundi made a statement."

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