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## Letter dated 17 July 2008 from the Chairperson of the Peacebuilding Commission addressed to the Permanent Representative of Sweden to the United Nations

I have the honour to refer to your letter dated 11 July 2008, in which you communicated the interest of Sweden in assuming the responsibility of chairing the Peacebuilding Commission's Burundi configuration.

I am pleased to inform you that, upon the receipt of your letter, the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission has unanimously decided to elect Sweden as the Chair of the Commission's Burundi configuration. Therefore, and on behalf of the members of the Peacebuilding Commission, I have the honour to thank and congratulate the Government of Sweden, and you personally, for your interest in supporting the goals of the Peacebuilding Commission, in particular for leading the Commission's ongoing support for the people of Burundi.

I trust that Sweden's chairmanship of the Commission's Burundi configuration will continue the tireless efforts and exemplary dedication demonstrated by its predecessor, Norway, over the past two years. Therefore, I look forward to working closely with you with a view to further solidifying the foundations of peacebuilding in Burundi.

> (Signed) Yukio **Takasu** Chairperson

