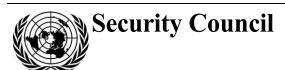
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Letter dated 18 May 2016 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I refer to my letter to the President of the Security Council of 20 November 2015 (S/2015/909), requesting a postponement of the briefing that the Council requested in the statement by the President of the Council of 14 January 2015 (S/PRST/2015/2), and the latter's reply of 24 November 2015 taking note of it (\$/2015/910). In the same statement, I was also requested to submit a report to the Council no later than December 2016 on further United Nations peacebuilding efforts in the aftermath of conflict, including progress towards increasing the participation of women in peacebuilding, taking into consideration the views of the Peacebuilding Commission. That report has always been issued as a document of the General Assembly and of the Security Council.

The General Assembly and the Security Council concluded the 2015 review of the peacebuilding architecture and adopted substantially identical resolutions on 27 April 2016 (resolutions 70/262 and 2282 (2016), respectively). In its resolution, the Assembly invited the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-second session, at least 60 days prior to the high-level meeting on "Peacebuilding and sustaining peace", on efforts to implement the resolution, including in a number of specific areas. I would like to propose postponing the submission of the written report that the Council requested in document S/PRST/2015/2 to coincide with the report requested by the Assembly in its resolution 70/262. Moreover, I would suggest that I provide an oral briefing to the Council, instead of a written report, no later than December 2016, as requested in document S/PRST/2015/2.

The Peacebuilding Support Office will work closely with the members of the Security Council to reschedule the briefing.

(Signed) BAN Ki-moon



