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**Security Council Committee established pursuant to
resolution 2048 (2012) concerning Guinea-Bissau****Note verbale dated 8 August 2012 from the Permanent Mission of
the Republic of Latvia to the United Nations addressed to the
Chair of the Committee**

The Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2048 (2012) and, with reference to the letter dated 28 June 2012, transmits herewith its report on the implementation of paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 2048 (2012), in accordance with paragraph 10 of the same resolution (see annex).



Annex to the note verbale dated 8 August 2012 from the Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

National implementation report

The Republic of Latvia and the other member States of the European Union have jointly implemented the travel ban imposed by Security Council resolution 2048 (2012) by taking the following common measures:

- *Council Decision 2012/285/CFSP of 31 May 2012 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies threatening the peace, security or stability of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau and repealing Decision 2012/237/CFSP.*¹

The Council Decision sets out the commitment of the European Union (EU) to implement the travel ban against the designated persons pursuant to Security Council resolution 2048 (2012). The Council Decision sets out also the EU's commitment to implement the travel ban against additional 16 persons (EU autonomous listings).

- *Council Regulation (EC) No. 539/2001 of 15 March 2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement*² (and its subsequent amendments). The Regulation requires nationals of Guinea-Bissau to be in possession of a visa when entering the European Union. Therefore, the respective restrictions of admission are to be implemented through visa application process.

¹ See *Official Journal of the European Union*, L 142, 01.06.2012.

² See *Official Journal of the European Union*, L 81, 21.03.2001.