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Identical letters dated 23 January 2019 from the President of the Economic and Social Council and the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council

We have the honour to transmit herewith the summary of the joint meeting of the Economic and Social Council and the Peacebuilding Commission on linkages between climate change and challenges to peacebuilding and sustaining peace in the Sahel, held on 13 November 2018.

The meeting built on previous joint meetings of the Economic and Social Council and the Peacebuilding Commission on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (2016) and on the situation in the Sahel (2017). It also responded to the increased interest among Member States in supporting peacebuilding and sustaining peace efforts in the Sahel through the promotion of United Nations system coherence. To this end, the meeting raised awareness of the possible implications of climate change on stability in the Sahel and showcased emerging mitigation and adaptation measures to address climate change effects and for sustaining peace. There was also a deliberation on ways to enhance coherence, cooperation and coordination in strengthening the resilience of the countries of the Sahel to climate change.

We kindly ask you to circulate the present letter and the attached summary (see annex) to the members of the General Assembly and the Security Council.

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