## Peacebuilding Commission Ambassadorial-level meeting on Women, Peace and Security (WPS) 31 January 2024

On 31 January 2024, the Peacebuilding Commission (PBC) convened an Ambassadorial-level meeting to discuss the needs and gaps in investing in women's full, equal and meaningful participation throughout the peace continuum and how the Commission could help to address the challenges. While recognizing the critical role played by women before, during and after conflict, the Commission acknowledged the recent setbacks in advancing the WPS agenda. A number of Member States provided suggestions on how the Commission could strengthen the implementation of its Gender Strategy and Action Plan.

1. On 31 January 2024, the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, H.E. Mr. Ivan Šimonovi , convened an Ambassadorial-level meeting on the nnò M

7. Ms. Dorothy Senatus, Executive Director of Fondation Voix Essentielles - Femmes en Démocratie (FED) noted Haiti's challenging socio-economic, political and security situation, and informed that almost half of the Haitian population i.e 5.2 million people (57 per cent of women and girls) required humanitarian assistance in 2023. Within this context, women play a prominent role in peace processes, as well as preventing and resolving crises and conflicts. She provided examples of Haitian women's organizations' work before, during and after conflict. Before conflict, women have carried out prevention activities in relation to the rule of law, democracy, human rights, and in particular, socio-economic empowerment. They have also held workshops to analyze the socio-political situation and alerted the national authorities on emerging issues. Women also carry out projects to strengthen the capacity and the leadership of women in

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