Statement by the President of the Security Council

At the 5221st meeting of the Security Council, held on 6 July 2005, in connection with the Council’s consideration of the item entitled “The situation in Côte d’Ivoire”, the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:

“The Security Council has taken note with interest of the Declaration on the implementation of the Pretoria Agreement on the peace-process in Côte d’Ivoire signed on 29 June 2005 in Pretoria under the auspices of the African Union Mediator, President Thabo Mbeki,

“The Security Council welcomes the efforts undertaken by the African Union Mediation so that the forthcoming elections in Côte d’Ivoire are credible and held as planned, and reiterates its full support to the African Union Mediator,

“The Security Council recalls that it has endorsed the Pretoria Agreement signed on 6 April 2005,

“The Security Council demands that all the signatories to this Agreement and all the Ivoirian parties concerned implement fully and without delay all the commitments made with the African Union Mediation and comply scrupulously with the timetable agreed on 29 June 2005 in Pretoria,

“The Security Council affirms that it stands ready, in close consultation with the African Union Mediation, to implement individual sanctions provided for in paragraphs 9 and 11 of resolution 1572 (2004) against those who do not comply with these commitments or constitute an obstacle to their full implementation.”