Note by the President of the Security Council

The members of the Security Council recall that consultations between the Security Council, the Secretariat and troop- and police-contributing countries should enhance the ability of the Council to make appropriate, effective and timely decisions in fulfilling its responsibilities and recall the functions of the Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2002/56).

In this regard, the members of the Security Council reaffirm their commitment to making full use of and improving existing consultation with troop- and police-contributing countries with a view to ensuring the full consideration of the views and concerns of troop- and police-contributing countries by the Council.

The members of the Security Council agree that the following measures, which are complementary to those contained in its resolutions 1353 (2001) and 2086 (2013) and in the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2010/507), contribute to the aim of enhancing interaction and consultation with troop- and police-contributing countries:

1. Prior to the constitution of a peacekeeping operation, the Secretariat is encouraged to make the broadest possible call for contributions to that operation. Once potential contributors have been identified, the Secretariat will provide them with all necessary information in order to facilitate their decision-making regarding participation in the operation.

2. The Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations will continue to hold regular meetings with troop-contributing countries and police-contributing countries on relevant issues.

3. The members of the Security Council underscore the importance of consultations with relevant troop- and police-contributing countries, including at their request, on urgent situations that affect their operations, particularly regarding the safety and security of their personnel on the ground.

4. The members of the Security Council also underscore the importance of consultation with troop- and police-contributing countries in cases of transition from a peacekeeping to a peacebuilding operation, and on major changes in an operation, such as withdrawal, scaling down of the size or termination.

5. As regards the renewal of mandates of peacekeeping operations, the Secretariat will provide the relevant troop- and police-contributing countries with a copy of the report of the Secretary-General with, as far as practicable,
enough anticipation in order to allow the preparation for and the timely holding of meetings with troop- and police-contributing countries before discussion among Council members.

6. The President of the Security Council will report to the Council on consultations with troop- and police-contributing countries.

7. The Security Council may, as appropriate, hold informal meetings in order to encourage more interactive dialogue between Council members and troop- and police-contributing countries.