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President: Mr. Gasana ........................................... (Rwanda)

Members: Argentina ........................................... Mrs. Perceval
Australia ......................................................... Mr. Bliss
Azerbaijan ......................................................... Mr. Mehdiyev
China ............................................................. Mr. Wang Min
France ............................................................... Mr. Briens
Guatemala ......................................................... Mr. Rosenthal
Luxembourg ......................................................... Ms. Lucas
Morocco ............................................................. Mr. Loulichki
Pakistan ............................................................ Mr. Munir
Republic of Korea ............................................... Mr. Kim Sook
Russian Federation ........................................... Mr. Pankin
Togo ................................................................. Mr. Menan
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland ... Mr. Meek
United States of America ....................................... Mrs. DiCarlo

Agenda

The situation in Côte d’Ivoire

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Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President: Under rule 37 of the Council’s provisional rules of procedure, I invite the representative of Côte d’Ivoire to participate in this meeting.

The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them document S/2013/244, which contains the text of a draft resolution submitted by France, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

I wish to draw the attention of Council members to document S/2013/228, which contains a letter dated 12 April 2013 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1572 (2004) concerning Côte d’Ivoire addressed to the President of the Security Council.

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution before it. I shall put the draft resolution to the vote now.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Argentina, Australia, Azerbaijan, China, France, Guatemala, Luxembourg, Morocco, Pakistan, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Togo, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America

The President: The draft resolution received 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 2101 (2013).

I now give the floor to the representative of Côte d’Ivoire.

Mr. Bamba (Côte d’Ivoire) (spoke in French): It is a pleasure to see you, Mr. President, again presiding over this meeting.

My delegation takes note of the adoption of resolution 2101 (2013) pursuant to which the Security Council renews the sanctions measures regarding Côte d’Ivoire for the period of a year until 30 April 2014. It also extends the mandate of the Group of Experts tasked with reviewing the implementation of the sanctions regime on Côte d’Ivoire until 30 April 2014.

I would like to point out that the resolution comes at a time marked by considerable progress achieved by Government of Côte d’Ivoire at all levels, in particular with regard to stabilization, the security situation, political dialogue, national reconciliation and economic recovery. That undeniable situation, which was affirmed by the recent technical assessment mission that visited Côte d’Ivoire, is, fortunately, mentioned in the resolution that has just been adopted.

As resolution 2101 (2013) underscores, my delegation agrees that there are still significant that require that the efforts under way be continued. In that connection, my delegation would like to reaffirm the complete readiness of the Government of Côte d’Ivoire to fully cooperate with the United Nations, including the Group of Experts of the Sanctions Committee, to implement the measures contained in this resolution, as well as in previous relevant resolutions.

In conclusion, my delegation hopes that, as mentioned in the resolution, the contribution of such measures to strengthening stability in Côte d’Ivoire will make it possible to envisage in the near future a possible additional modification or a partial or complete lifting of the sanctions regime on Côte d’Ivoire.

The President: There are no more names inscribed in the list of speakers inscribed on my list. The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council will remain seized of the matter.

The meeting rose at 10.40 a.m.