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Letter dated 28 February 2022 from the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 2374 (2017) on Mali addressed to the President of the Security Council

In my capacity as Coordinator of the Panel of Experts on Mali established pursuant to Security Council resolution 2374 (2017), whose mandate was extended pursuant to Security Council resolution 2590 (2021), I have the honour to transmit herewith, in accordance with paragraph 4 of resolution 2590 (2021), the midterm report on the Panel's work.

I should be grateful if the present letter and the report could be brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Council.

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Midterm report of the Panel of Experts on Mali

1. In its resolution [2590 \(2021\)](#), adopted on 30 August 2021, the Security Council decided to renew until 31 August 2022 the measures set out in paragraphs 1 to 7 of its resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#). The sanctions regime established by resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#) consists of a travel ban and an asset freeze that apply to individuals and/or entities designated by the Committee as being responsible for or complicit in, or having engaged in, directly or indirectly, actions or policies that threaten the peace, security or stability of Mali. In its resolution [2590 \(2021\)](#), the Council requested the Secretary-General to re-establish the Panel of Experts and extended its mandate, as set out in paragraphs 11 to 15 of resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#), until 30 September 2022.

2. The Security Council, in paragraph 4 of resolution [2590 \(2021\)](#), requested the Panel to provide to the Council, after discussion with the Committee, a midterm report no later than 28 February 2022. Following a hold on all proposed expert candidates in the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution [2374 \(2017\)](#) concerning Mali that was lifted on 13 December 2021, the current members of the Panel were appointed by the Secretary-General on 6 January 2022 (see [S/2022/14](#)). The contracts started from 17 January 2022, a delay of three and half months after the mandate given under resolution [2541 \(2020\)](#) had expired.

3. The Panel is therefore unable to submit to the Committee a midterm report with detailed contributions in each expert's area of expertise, in line with the Panel's established standards and methodology. The Panel has, however, commenced its work and established its mission planning, which includes travel to Mali and neighbouring countries. The Panel intends to provide its findings, based on investigations, consultations (including with the Government of Mali) and methodology, in its final report, the submission of which is requested by the Security Council in paragraph 4 of its resolution [2590 \(2021\)](#) no later than 15 August 2022. Periodic updates to the Committee will be provided by the Panel, as appropriate.
