Role of the S&R Section

To support the Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General (DSRSG), Resident Coordinator (RC) and Humanitarian Coordinator (HC) in her responsibilities to lead the United Nations’ contribution to Mali’s reconstruction efforts, the Stabilization & Recovery section (S&R) promotes synergies between MINUSMA, the UN Country Team and other international partners.

Through this monthly bulletin, we provide regular updates on stabilization & recovery developments and activities in the north of Mali. The targeted audience is the section’s main partners including MINUSMA military and civilian components, UNCT and international partners.

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Donor Coordination and Partnerships

1. On 19 January, a technical-level meeting of the Commission Réhabilitation des Zones Post-Conflicte (CRZPC) gathered the Ministry of Solidarity and Humanitarian Action (MSAH), the North Mali Development Agency, France and MINUSMA to discuss the upcoming presentation session of the implementation update on the Plan d’Urgence pour la mise en œuvre de l’Accord de Paix et la Réconciliation au Mali pendant la période intermédiaire. This session will take place during the next political-level CRZPC meeting planned early February under the chairmanship of the MSAH.

2. The monthly meeting of the Groupe Exécutif de Coopération (GEC) of the donors took place on 25 January. This was the occasion to review the GEC workplan for 2016 and to define its new orientations for 2017, as well as to discuss the preparation of the donors’ retreat planned for March 2nd. The retreat aims at fine tuning the key messages of the political dialogue used in the interaction between the Prime Minister and the donors’ Troika élargie, and at sharing views on the modalities of intervention to support the peace agreement within the current situation. Significant inputs are expected from the Commission Réhabilitation des Zones Post-Conflicte (CRZPC), as well as donors’ Thematic Groups, notably on modalities of interventions in most sensitive and conflict prone areas of the North.

3. On 26 January, MINUSMA participated in the briefing session of an IMF technical mission to Mali following upon the institution’s 6th review of the macroeconomic situation of the country. Main conclusions of this review include the slow pace of elaboration and implementation of structural reforms. These consist in fiscal restructuring, the setup of a commission against illicit enrichment and a better control on tax returns from the oil industry.

4. The 15th Session of the Sub-Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Development of the Comité de Suivi de l’Accord (CSA) was held on 27 January to discuss the progress in the implementation of the Peace Agreement. CMA representatives did not participate. The Government briefed on the necessity to increase the current level of implementation of the activities of the Plan d’Urgence et de Relèvement (implementation rate 39%). The Sub-Committee recommended the full association of the CMA and Plateforme representatives to the field assessment mission that will be carried out by the technical services of the Ministries.

On the endorsement of the Stratégie Spécifique de Développement des Régions du Nord, the Sub-Committee was informed that the World Bank and UNDP refined the modalities of funding for the validation workshops, and that the issue was transmitted from the Haut-Representant to the Primature. The Sub-Committee noted the progress and requested follow-up with a focal point at the Primature. On the Fonds de Développement Durables, the Sub-Committee noted that Plateforme provided comments on the text submitted by the Government, and that CMA comments are expected to meet the deadline of end of March 2017.

The Sub-Committee was also briefed on the operationalization of the Regional Development Agencies (that are all deployed and operational) and on the “Contrats-Plans État-Régions” (adopted for Timbuktu, Kidal and Mopti, to be signed in March for Gao). A Session of the CSA dedicated to assess the progress of the Peace Agreement implementation will take place in February 2017 in Bamako and the Sub-Committee will be represented by the EU and Algeria as co-chairs.
Gao – Ménaka

1. On 4 January, S&R Gao gave a presentation to 7 reporters from community radios and ORTM on QIPs, PBF and Trust Fund funding mechanisms and funding eligibility criteria for Malian civil society and public partners. The reporters had the opportunity to visit projects and discussed with beneficiaries and implementing partners. For more information (in French):

2. On 5 January, the official launch of the “Manual water pumps for water support in Gao & Ménaka regions” project took place in the presence of Gao Cercle Préfet. Funded through the contribution of Denmark to the Trust Fund for approx. 300,000 USD, this initiative is implemented by LIVA international NGO and aims at improving access to drinking water for populations affected by the crisis, comprising internally-displaced people. More than 21,000 persons (including 11,000 women) will benefit directly from the project. For more information (in French):
   http://bit.ly/2jroULz

3. On 9 January, construction works of the infirmary of the Direction Régionale de la Protection Civile de Gao started in presence of regional authorities and MINUSMA Head of the Regional Office. This QIP sponsored by UNPOL will improve access to health services for Protection Civile staff, their families, personnel of other law enforcement bodies, as well as the general population. The project will also help strengthen operational capacities of the Protection Civile in specific services such as responding to accidents, drownings and fires. For more information (in French):
   http://bit.ly/2kOocbo

Timbuktu - Taoudénit

1. On 25 and 26 January, MINUSMA inaugurated 2 QIPs in the benefit of women of Goundam and Niafunké Cercles. The first project consists in the rehabilitation of the Centre multifonctionnel des femmes de Goundam. The second one aims at the construction and equipment of a local products transformation unit, targeting 88 women associations in Niafunké. The overall objective is to create necessary conditions to the revitalization of women income-generating activities and to their socio-economic integration. For more information (in French):

2. On 26 January, MINUSMA Regional Office in Timbuktu proceeded to inaugurate the realization of 6 cattle crossings passageways in lake Horo pastoral space, in Tonka Commune (Goundam Cercle). Funded up to 33,971,83 USD, this quick impact project sponsored by the Civil Affairs Division aims at mitigating conflicts between farmers and herdiers, by improving operating conditions around the lake. This initiative is possible thanks to complementary supports from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and MINUSMA. For more information (in French):
   http://bit.ly/2kuQ1k
Quick Impact Projects (QIPs) - Overview

Financed by MINUSMA, Quick Impact Projects (QIPs) are community micro projects. These projects have a maximum cost of 50,000 USD and a maximum 6-months duration, in the areas of services and small public infrastructures rehabilitation, training and awareness-raising activities, employment and revenue creation. They must have both a quick and long lasting effect meeting priority needs of the population and aim at building confidence towards the peace process, the Mission and its mandate.

From 2013 to 2016, 216 projects were implemented (years 1, 2 & 3). Between 1st of July 2015 until 30th of June 2016 (year 4), a 4 million USD budget will be dedicated to approximately 112 QIPs.

These projects will benefit mainly northern regions and will support requests from the Malian Government, international and national NGOs, international agencies and civil society. All projects are executed through local partners and businesses.

Kidal

- Construction of the Maison des associations in Kidal / of its adjunct premises and fence (2)
- Equipment of the Maison des Femmes de Kidal
- Electrification of Essouk Commune
- Solar power lighting in the Cercles of Tin-Essako (300 households) / of Tessalit (300 households) / of Abeibara (300 households) (3)
- Rehabilitation and equipment of Kidal's Municipal Stadium

- Construction of a borehole in Inadak
- Water well drilling in Aguelhoc Rural Commune
- Water tank in Igouzar to ensure drinking water self-sufficiency
- Provision of a generator for water well drilling in Inhalid
- Construction of a well in Amachache

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2014-2015
92 QIPs for a budget of 3.1M USD

2013-2014
17 QIPs for a budget of 0.7M USD
See listing here: http://bit.ly/1V47905
Timbuktu - Taoudénit

- Rehabilitation and equipment:
  - of the Brigade de la Gendarmerie in Gossi
  - of the Direction Régionale de la Protection Civile in Timbuktu
  - Equipment of 5 Brigades de Gendarmerie of Timbuktu region
  - Rehabilitation of a surrounding wall of the Brigade de la Gendarmerie in Diré

- Equipment of the Taoudénit Gouvernorat
  - Rehabilitation of premises for ablutions of Djingareyber mosque

- Equipment of the Préfecture of Timbuktu
  - Rehabilitation and equipment for the Centre Multifonctionnel des Femmes de Goundam
  - Access to sports equipments for youths in difficult situation
  - Repairing of 2 motors of public ferrys for the crossing in Koriomé

- Water well drilling in Tassakane, Rural Commune of Alafia, Timbuktu Cercle

Inauguration of the rehabilitated Gendarmerie de Tonka, in May 2016 (QIP 2014-2015)

Gao - Ménaka

- Construction of 2 cells for women & minors and installation of sanitary facilities in the Commissariat de Police de Gao
  - Rehabilitation and equipment:
    - of the Brigade de Gendarmerie de Ménaka
    - of the Commissariat de Police de Ménaka
    - of the Garde Nationale de Ménaka
    - Provision of 3 water pumps for the Direction Régionale de la Protection Civile de Gao (2)
  - Rehabilitation of the residency of the Préfet de Ménaka
  - Rehabilitation of the Ménaka Préfecture
  - and of two adjunct housings
  - Rehabilitation and equipment of the centre Nidia
  - Construction of a conference room in Bourem town hall
  - Rehabilitation and equipment of the Maison des anciens combattants
  - Revamping of Ménaka multi-sports field (construction of play areas, a running ground and a grandstand)

- Functional literacy for detainees of Gao Prison
  - Rehabilitation of Ménaka Courthouse
  - Rehabilitation of the Maison d'Arrêt et de Correction de Ménaka

- Installation of a flour and grain mill with an electric generator in Gassi Haoussa village, Ansongo Commune
  - Creation of a farm for Gao youths

- Medical campaign in the benefit of populations covered by Long and Middle Range Patrols (Djebock-Anefis-Tabankort)

- Equipment and electrification of literacy classrooms in Boulgoundié

- Shallow water well drilling in Abiadara village, Rural Commune of Telemsi

- Equipment in furniture for prioritized schools of Timbuktu Region to facilitate their reopening during 2015-2016 school year
  - Alafia, Ber, Salam, Tin-Aicha, Douékère, Tonka, Essakane, Razelma, Gargandu, Abounoub, M’bouna, Telemsi, Seréé, Hammakoma, Inadjatafane, Bambara Maoudé, Haribomo
  - Access to quality school kits for populations in difficult situation
  - Fittouga, Banikane, N’Gorkou, Kourmaïr, Haibongo, Kondi, Tienkour, Essakane, Soumpi, Alafia, Ber, Salam, Gossi, Haribomo, Hararous
  - Improvement of teaching and learning conditions at Li Ichiya school

- Provision of water pump to the Coopérative Agricole de N’Garfoshandou
  - Provision of a local products transformation unit for women associations in Timbuktu Cercle
  - Building of a local products transformation and conservation unit for the réseau Wafakoye of women in Niafunké
  - Poverty reduction through the exploitation of the périmètre irrigué de Tarabangou
  - Support to socioeconomic reintegration of conflict-affected women
  - Planning of a gardening and sheep breeding area for Assidi women in Ber Rural Commune

- Access to essential quality medicines for populations in difficult situation

- Training and Equipments for craftspersons of the Association de lutte contre le chômage des femmes in Timbuktu

- Project in supprt of financial empowerment and social reintegration of Timbuktu women

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Added this month
Mopti

Rehabilitation and equipment:
- of the Brigade Mixte de Gendarmerie in Sévaré
- of Brigades de Gendarmerie in Djenné / en Douentza (2)
- of the Police Commissariat in Bandiagara
- of the Protection Civile Station in Douentza
- of the Police Commissariat in Sévaré
- of the Cour du Peloton de la Garde Nationale in Djenné
- Construction of a Police Poste in Fatoma

- Security reinforcement of the Maison d’arrêt et de correction de Mopti
- Construction of a fence, 3 latrines and installation of a solar kit at the Centre de Santé Communautaire in Boungeul
- Construction of a Centre de Santé Communautaire in Tongorongo and equipment of the maternity
- Construction of a school with 3 classrooms, 1 storage, 1 office and 3 latrines in the Timbuktu neighborhood of Mopti commune

- Support in technical equipment for URTEL-affiliated private radio stations in Mopti


Bamako / Koulikoro

- Rehabilitation of a football field for Senou youth
- Provision of printers and printing material for the Constitutional Court
- Capacity-building in GBV/SV-affected women caretaking for the 2 Maisons d’Accueil et d’Hébergement de l’APDF in Bamako and Mopti
- Capacity-building of elected representatives and agents of 30 Communes of Mopti, Gao, Timbuktu Cercles on professional efficiency and management
- Rehab. and equip. of the computer room of the Groupe Scolaire de Kalaban Coura

- Water well drilling and electrification of the Centre de Santé Communautaire de Naréna
- Realization of infrastructures in the Cité des Enfants (drilling and 8 latrines)

Rehabilitation and equipment:
- Construction of the GIGM office in the Ecole de Gendarmerie Nationale du Mali
- of the services du fichier et des transmissions de la Gendarmerie Nationale
- of sanitary facilities in the Direction Générale de la Police Nationale
- of the Amphitheater, toilet facilities and computer room in the Centre d’Instruction Militaire Boubacar S. Sy-Koulikoro (2)

- Installation of grinding mills for women of 6 villages of Kati Cercle
- Support to the elaboration of actions plans for handicraft and tourism in central and northern regions of Mali (2)
- Equipment of the Office Central des Stupéfiants (OCS) / Provision of narcotics detection kits to the OCS (2)
- Equipment of the conference room of the Direction of Human Resources of the Ministère de la Défense et des Vétérans (DRH-MDAC)
- Revamping of premises of the Brigade d’Investigations Spécialisées (Pôle Anti-terrorisme)
The UN Trust Fund in support of Peace and Security in Mali was created at the request of the Security Council (SC resolution 2085 (2012)). Member States can contribute earmarked and/or non-earmarked funds to the Fund, which aims to provide vital support to the Malian Defence and Security Forces (MDSF), assist the Malian Government in its efforts to ensure lasting peace and the return of State Authority and constitutional order, and support critical development and humanitarian interventions contributing to the immediate and long-term efforts by the international community to resolve the crisis in Mali.

It is supported by voluntary contributions from the following donors: Australia, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and UN DOCO. The Fund’s budget currently amounts to approximately 29.8 million USD, of which some 76.2 per cent has been attributed to projects.

### Newly approved projects

1. **Wind-up radio receivers in support of capacity-building and sensitization for ex-combatants and host communities in northern Mali**: The project aims to provide 7,000 Wind-up Radio Receivers (WRRs) to ex-combatants and to members of communities in northern Mali located close to the cantonment sites in order to broadcast information and sensitization messages particularly on cantonment and the DDR process. The WRRs will be distributed during the cantonment process. Budget: 367,133 USD. Funded through the contribution of Luxembourg.

2. **Support to the operationalization of the National DDR Commission (NDDRC), Integration Commission (IC), and National Council on Security Sector Reform (CNRSS):** The project is twofold with on one hand the provision of 3 prefabricated facilities to augment the existing office building of National DDR Commission for the duration of the national DDR program, and on the other hand, the provision of support to the operationalization of the NDDRC, IC and CNRSS through capacity building workshops. Budget: 108,146 USD. Funded through the contribution of Germany.

### Complete list of projects

**A. Restoration of Constitutional Order, National Unity and Support for Elections**

- **Mediation Program for Inclusive Peace Talks (Clearing House) - Phase I and II** - Countrywide (3 projects)

- **Support to the Commission Technique Mixte de Sécurité (CTMS) and the Equipe Mixte d’Observation et de Vérification (EMOV)** - Kidal, Gao, Tombouctou

- **Construction of electoral storage facilities and capacity-building** - Gao, Douentza, Kidal / Bourem, Timbuktu, Goundam, Niafunké

- **Provision of printed publications in support of the electoral process** - Gao, Timbuktu, Mopti, Kidal

- **National outreach campaign on the peace agreement for the Christian community** - Countrywide

- **Construction of electoral storage facilities and capacity-building** - Bandiagara, Bankass, Djenne, Koro

- **Capacity building in view of increased women political participation in the elections** - Countrywide

- **Support to the Commission Technique de Sécurité (CTS)** - Kidal, Gao, Timbuktu (2 projects)

- **Support to the Equipe Mixte d’Observation et de Vérification (EMOV)** - Kidal, Gao, Timbuktu (2 projects)

- **Support to the Mécanisme Opérationnel de Coordinatisation (MOC)** - Kidal, Gao, Timbuktu (2 projects)

- **X-Ray machine for the Constitutional Court in Bamako**

- **Regional development agencies capacity building** - Gao, Timbuktu, Mopti
Return of State Authority, Rule of Law and DDR-SSR

- Pre-cantonment of armed groups in Kidal – Pilot project in 3 sites - Kidal
- Generators, tents and HESCO barriers for cantonment and establishment of office in Kidal
- Support to Redeployment of Administration and Consolidation of Rule of Law in the North of Mali - Timbuktu, Niafunké, Kidal, Gourma-Rharous, Ménaka, Ansongo implemented by UNDP
- Supply of Armored Vehicles to the Government of Mali for safe access to communities in the North
- Equipment of an Operations room and two conference rooms at the Ministry of Security - Bamako (2 projects)
- Support for the inclusive review of the national border policy - Kidal, Gao, Timbuktu implemented by IOM
- Registration and communication equipment in support of the cantonment process - Kidal
- Support to the National Committee for Security Sector Reform (CNRSS) - Countrywide
- Sheep breeding programme in Sévaré Prison - implemented by DRAPES
- Agriculture and carpentry programmes in Timbuktu Prison - implemented by DRAPES (2 projects)
- Provision of 18 law libraries to enhance access to justice in the North of Mali - Gao, Timbuktu, Mopti, Kidal
- Equipment of the Mécanisme Opérationnel de Coordination (MOC) HQ in Gao
- Community Security and Counter-Poaching Support in Gourma - Mopti, Timbuktu implemented by The WILD Foundation

Immediate and long-term efforts to resolve the crisis in Mali

Electricity Support in Kidal City - Kidal
- World Bank-MINUSMA study on the socio-economic and environmental impact of MINUSMA in Mali - Countrywide
- Water infrastructure rehabilitation in Gao city / in Ansongo - Gao implemented by TASSAGHT/UAVES (2 projects)
- 1,100 solar power kits for households in Kidal - Kidal implemented by AFORD
- 72 solar power street lights in Bourem and Bamba - implemented by NIS Foundation
- 72 solar power street lights in Tenenkou and Youwarou - implemented by NIS Foundation
- Social cohesion in Mopti - Capacity building of local committees and community dialogue
- Construction of an infirmary at the Civil Protection center in Kidal
- Water infrastructure rehabilitation in Bourem - Gao implemented by TASSAGHT/UAVES
- School construction and equipment in Douekire, Amachachar and Haribomo - Timbuktu implemented by the Académie de Tombouctou (3 projects)
- Impluviums for drinking water in Koro - Mopti implemented by RAIN
- Improved access to water and sanitation in Douentza - Mopti implemented by RAIN
- 2,667 solar power kits for Timbuktu, Gourma-Rharous and Diré - Timbuktu implemented by AMADE
- 2,666 solar power kits for Goundam, Niafunké, Diré and Gourma-Rharous - Timbuktu implemented by AMSS
- 2,666 solar power kits for Niafunké and Diré - Timbuktu implemented by ARDL
- Irrigated communal perimeter in Fittobé - Mopti implemented by YA-G-TU
- Manual drilling techniques for access to water in Youwarou and Tenenkou - Mopti implemented by Action Mopti
- Support for water provision in Kidal - implemented by ARDL

Capacity building of Malian Security Forces (MSF)

- Capacity building of the MSF on the control of arms and ammunition - Gao, Timbuktu, Mopti, Bamako implemented by UNMAS, UNODA, MAG and CAR
- Support for the socio-economic reintegration of the returned population in Douentza - Mopti implemented by ODI-Sahel
- Support for the development of vegetable crops in the communities of Kidal, Essouk and Anefis - Kidal implemented by ASSADEC
- 1,500 solar power kits for Gao and Bourem - Gao implemented by GARDL
- 1,500 solar power kits for Ménaka and Ansongo - Ménaka, Gao implemented by Nouveaux Horizons
- Construction of a central fodder purchase center in Kidal - implemented by La Croix-Rouge Malienne
- Rehabilitation and equipment of 3 schools in Kidal and Anefis - implemented by CERCA
- 95 solar power street lights for Kidal - Kidal implemented by ASSADEC
- 75 solar power street lights for Timbuktu and Gourma-Rharous - Timbuktu implemented by AMADE
- Rehabilitation of the Gao water drainage system - Gao implemented by AADIS-Mali
- Support for drinking water in Dweya, Taoudénit - Taoudénit implemented by Paix et Progrès
- Support for drinking water in Ber and Alafia - Timbuktu implemented by NOR-DEV (2 projects)
- School rehabilitation in Tessalit, Aguelhoc and Talabite - Kidal implemented by ARDL
- Socio-economic activities for women and youth in Gourma-Rharous - Timbuktu implemented by ADAZ
- Manual water pumps for water support in Gao & Ménaka - Implemented by LVIA
- Support for drinking water in Teherdje - Timbuktu implemented by Stop Sahel
- Support for a Rift Valley fever assessment mission to Ménaka - Implemented by FAO
- Rehabilitation of Timbuktu Airport Road
- Gao road rehabilitation (technical studies)
To deal with the political, institutional and security crisis that deeply destabilized Mali since 2012, the Malian Government and the United Nations System in Mali resorted to the Peacebuilding Fund (PBF) in order to support peacebuilding and reconciliation. The Government of Mali submitted an eligibility request to the Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO) on 24th of February 2014 which was approved by Secretary-General of the United Nations on 2nd of April 2014.

In this context, the intervention of the PBF programme in Mali represents in its first phase 10.9 million USD, of which 10.6 have been attributed to 5 projects undertaken by UN agencies and MINUSMA. A Steering Committee oversees the whole programme and gathers the Malian Government, the civil society, international donors and the United Nations. The remaining 0.3 million USD goes to the Steering Committee Support Office.

**1. Education project for peacebuilding in the north of Mali**

UNICEF

The agency and its partners implement a speed school strategy for not attending and out-of-school children. Fora for inclusive community dialogue are also set up for social cohesion at school, within the family and community.

**2. Support to capacity-building in conflict resilience for women and youth in Gao and Timbuktu regions**

UNDP, UNIDO

This joint project accompanies national reconciliation and dialog promotion creating economic opportunities in favor of vulnerable women and at-risk youths.

**3. Confidence-building through support to the Cantonment process**

UNOPS

Operations strengthen mutual trust between peace agreement signatories and favor security climate appeasement. Rooting of the disarmament process in the country goes through fighters’ cantonment, among other steps. UNOPS is in charge of the construction and management of camps intended for this purpose.

**4. Solutions for a sustainable and peaceful reintegration of internally displaced people (IDPs) and repatriated refugees in Gao and Timbuktu regions**

IOM, UNHCR

This project consists in providing IDPs and repatriated refugees access to basic social services and reinforcing peaceful cohabitation between local communities in a climate of increased trust in the peace process.

**5. Programme for a better access to justice and security for women victims of SGBV in the peacebuilding process in Mali**

UN Women, UNFPA, MINUSMA

Both agencies and the Mission assist SGBV victims facilitating access to justice and holistic care. The project also supports capacity-building of care services and judicial system in terms of SGBV.