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Resolution 2690 (2023)

Adopted by the Security Council at its 9365th meeting, on 30 June 2023

The Security Council,

Recalling all its previous resolutions, statements of its President and press statements on the situation in Mali,

Reaffirming its commitment to the sovereignty, unity, territorial integrity and independence of Mali,

Reaffirming the primary responsibility of the Transition Government of Mali to protect civilians across its territory in accordance with its international obligations,

Reiterating the centrality of the Agreement on Peace and Reconciliation in Mali emanating from the Algiers process (“the Agreement”) for the achievement of lasting peace in Mali, and *welcoming* continued efforts from the international mediation under the leadership of Algeria to engage with the Malian parties and regional actors, including the African Union, in support of the implementation of the Agreement;

Commending the efforts made since 2013 by the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA) and its personnel to accomplish its duties, *paying tribute* to MINUSMA personnel who gave their lives to their mission, and *expressing* its deep appreciation for the contribution and dedication of the troop and police contributing countries to the work of MINUSMA,

Welcoming the Transition Government of Mali’s commitment to achieve the Political Transition, organize free and fair presidential elections in February 2024, and ensure the return to constitutional order by March 2024, as endorsed by the ECOWAS Summit of 3 July 2022;

Taking note of the letter of the Transition Government of Mali addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2023/463), requesting MINUSMA’s withdrawal without delay,

Determining that the situation in Mali continues to constitute a threat to international peace and security,

Acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations,

1. *Decides* to terminate MINUSMA’s mandate under resolution 2640 (2022) as of June 30 2023;

2. *Requests* MINUSMA to immediately start on 1 July 2023 the cessation of its operations, transfer of its tasks, as well as the orderly and safe drawdown and withdrawal of its personnel, with the objective of completing this process by 31 December 2023, in close consultation with the Transition Government of Mali and in coordination with the troop and police contributing countries, and *requests* the Secretary-General to keep the Security Council regularly informed about relevant developments in relation with this process;

3. *Requests* the Secretary General to engage with the Transition Government of Mali to articulate a plan for the transfer of MINUSMA's tasks, bearing in mind the possible contribution of the United Nations Country Team, the United Nations Office for West Africa and the Sahel (UNOWAS) and other stakeholders, including in support of the Agreement, and present it to the Security Council by 15 August 2023;

4. *Calls upon* the Transition Government of Mali to cooperate fully with the United Nations during MINUSMA's drawdown, withdrawal and liquidation to ensure the orderly and safe withdrawal of the mission, and *requests* the Transition Government of Mali to fully respect all provisions of the Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) until the departure of the final element of MINUSMA from Mali;

Drawdown

5. *Decides further* that, until 30 September 2023, without prejudice to the primary responsibility of the Malian authorities and in consultation with them, and acting within its means and capabilities in its immediate vicinity, MINUSMA is authorized to respond to imminent threats of violence to civilians and contribute to the safe civilian-led delivery of humanitarian assistance;

Withdrawal

6. *Decides* that, until 31 December 2023, MINUSMA is authorized to fulfil the following functions within its capabilities and its area of operation in Mali, in cooperation and consultation with the Transition Government of Mali:

- (i) To provide security for United Nations personnel, facilities, convoys, installations and equipment and associated personnel;
- (ii) To maintain situational awareness in the vicinity of MINUSMA locations;
- (iii) To provide escort for United Nations uniformed and civilian personnel carrying out enabling support functions;
- (iv) To execute operations in order to extract United Nations personnel and humanitarian workers in danger;
- (v) To provide medical support, including casualty and medical evacuation support, for United Nations personnel;
- (vi) To maintain effective strategic communication to enhance its protection;

Liquidation and financial matters

7. *Decides* that MINUSMA's liquidation shall begin on 1 January 2024, and *further decides* to authorize, for the duration of MINUSMA's liquidation, the retention of a guard unit from within MINUSMA's existing footprint to protect MINUSMA's personnel, facilities and assets;

8. *Calls on* MINUSMA to establish with the United Nations Country Team (UNCT), and UNOWAS as appropriate, financial arrangements enabling the United Nations to oversee, after MINUSMA's withdrawal, the residual activities of programmatic cooperation previously initiated by the mission, and *requests*

MINUSMA to ensure that MINUSMA team sites and assets are handed over in full compliance with general United Nations practices and financial regulations;

9. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.
