



THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE PLENARY ASSEMBLY OF THE
FORUM OF PARLIAMENTS OF MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE GREAT LAKES REGION
(FP-ICGLR)

RESOLUTION 15OSPA/02/2025

**RESOLUTION ON THE POLITICAL, SECURITY AND HUMANITARIAN
SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC**

The Plenary Assembly:

- **Pursuant** to the provisions of Articles 4 and 22 Paragraph 1 of the Pact on Security, Stability and Development in the Great Lakes Region signed on December 15, 2006 in Nairobi, Republic of Kenya;
- **Whereas** the provisions of Articles 2 and 6 of the Inter-Parliamentary Accord establishing the Forum of Parliaments of Member States of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region signed on December 4, 2008 in Kigali, the Republic of Rwanda;
- **Recalling** its resolution 13/OSPA/03/2023 dated April 1, 2023 on the political, security and humanitarian situation in the Central African Republic (CAR);
- **Aware** that the security and humanitarian situation in CAR remains a challenge primarily due to chronic instability causing a significant deterioration in law and order across much of its territory;
- **Perturbed** that despite its vast mineral wealth, including gold and diamonds, CAR's prospect of accelerated political and social-economic development has been hampered by the existence and activities of rebel groups in some parts of the country;
- **Further disturbed** that CAR remains vulnerable to further outbreaks of conflict stemming from communal tensions and political instability made worse by weak security capabilities;
- **Cognisant** that the humanitarian and security conditions in CAR have deteriorated since March 2024, amid escalating clashes between armed groups;
- **Conscious** of the forthcoming local and national elections in December 2025 with the CAR authorities having the primary responsibility to organize them;

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Adopts the following recommendations:

1. **Welcomes** relentless efforts led by Professor Faustin Archange Touadera, President of CAR to ensure that:
 - a) The Kimberley Process Certification Scheme lifted trade restrictions it imposed on diamonds export from the CAR and which will open up opportunities for CAR's economic growth through diamond revenue;
 - b) It reaffirms the commitment of the international community to maintaining transparency and accountability in the diamond trade.
2. **Commends** the efforts made through the joint operations of CAR and Chad Authorities in several hundred rebels had surrendered and handed over their weapons over to government troops and UN forces;
3. **Further commends** interventions at national level which have led to modest security environment improvements in the capital, Bangui, due to disarmament and demobilization efforts as well as a return to constitutional order;
4. **Implores** humanitarian agencies to continue their actions of support and assistance to Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) and refugees in neighbouring countries who fled attacks from rebels;
5. **Encourages** the CAR authorities to work with neighbouring countries to secure its borders and thus prevent the entry into its territory of armed combatants and weapons from common borders;
6. **Condemns** in all strongest possible terms, all violations of international humanitarian law committed in CAR, including attacks directed against the civilian population, MINUSCA peacekeepers and humanitarian actors;
7. **Further condemns** cross-border criminal activities such as arms trafficking, illicit trade, illegal exploitation and trafficking of natural resources, which threaten the peace and stability of CAR;
8. **Urges** the CAR Authorities to swiftly investigate reports of illicit transnational trafficking networks which continue to fund and supply armed groups in the country.
9. **Implores** MINUSCA to support the CAR authorities in its efforts to combat illicit transnational trafficking networks in order to bring lasting peace and stability in the country;
10. **Appeals to** all parties to the conflict in CAR to respect the ceasefire, including the signatory armed groups who are called upon to honour their commitments and fully implement the Political Agreement for Peace and Reconciliation (APPR) in good faith and without delay;
11. **Applauds** the UN Security Council for lifting the arms embargo imposed in 2013 on the CAR signifying a historic and crucial turning point for peace and stability, not only for the country but also for the region

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12. **Call upon** all nations to take all necessary measures to prevent the direct or indirect supply of weapons to armed groups operating in the country.
13. **Urges** all armed groups to lay down their arms and demobilize definitively, in accordance with the commitments made within the framework of the APPR so that all forms of violence against civilians are put to an end;
14. **Underscores** that it is primarily the responsibility of CAR authorities to organize local, legislative and presidential elections scheduled for 29 December 2025 as it will represent a key opportunity where safe, transparent and inclusive elections could contribute towards addressing roots causes of recurring conflict in the country;
15. **Urges** the FP-ICGLR, together with the National-Parliaments of the region, to continue to support the National Assembly of the CAR in order to enable it to play its role in the reconciliation and peace building process;
16. **Requests** the General Secretariat of the FP-ICGLR to continue monitoring developments regarding the political, security and humanitarian situation in the CAR and report it to the next Plenary Assembly; and
17. **Decides** to remain actively seized of the security situation in the Great Lakes Region.

Done in Luanda, April 25, 2025



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**Sitting President of FP-ICGLR
Speaker of National Assembly of Zambia**