

# Guinea Bissau Peacebuilding Fund Project Summary

## STATUS REPORT AS OF 31/03/2010

<b>Recipient UN Organization:</b>	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)	<b>PBF Priority Area:</b>	Security and Justice Sector Reform		
<b>Implementing Partner(s):</b>	Ministry of Justice				
<b>Project Number:</b>	PBF/GNB/B-1				
<b>Project Title:</b>	<b>Rehabilitation of Selected Prisons</b>				
<b>Total Approved Project Budget</b>	US\$ 900.000,00				
<b>Funds Committed:</b>	US\$ 448.632,93	<b>Percentage of Approved:</b>	50%		
<b>Funds Disbursed:</b>	US\$ 422.862,28	<b>Percentage of Approved:</b>	47 %		
<b>SC Approval Date:</b>	16 June 2008				
<b>Expected Project Duration:</b>	12 Months	<b>Forecast Final Date:</b>	December 2009	<b>Delay (Months):</b>	8

Outputs:	Progress:	Percentage of planned:
<p><b>Output 1:</b> One prison in Bissau, one in Mansoa, one in Bafatá and one in Canchungo refurbished in line with international standards</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The works at the regional prisons in Bafatá and Mansoa are almost finalized. It is expected the conclusion of the construction in May 2010.</li> <li>• UNODC launched in 2010 the procurement process for the architectural project and further construction of the prison of Canchungo, selected as alternative to the prison after the assessments considered the “1a Esquadra” prison as unfeasible. All procurement issues are being done under a new partnership agreement with UNOPS which is almost finalized.</li> <li>• The rehabilitation works of the future detention center in Bissau (former Judiciary Police headquarters) have not started yet. The problem that was reported in previous reports concerning the property of the premises (if belonging to the Ministry of Justice or to the Ministry of Interior) is now solved since 8 February 2010 in favor of the Ministry of Justice, our counterpart in this project. UNODC and the Ministry of Justice are planning to undertake an exhaustive assessment concerning the penitentiary system in the country in order to define the needs at national level. The assessment will be carried out at the end of April and is expected to have an impact on the country’s penitentiary policy. The rehabilitation of the Judiciary Police detention center will start only after the completion of this assessment.</li> </ul>	40%

<p><b>Output 2:</b> Data management system established in selected prisons</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The report prepared by the Brazilian expert was approved on the 29<sup>th</sup> of March 2010. Studies are now to start with UNODC for the purpose of establishing such DMS (Data Management System).</li> </ul>	<p>15%</p>
<p><b>Output 3:</b> Penitentiary staff trained with special focus on file management, registration and human right standards</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Training programme was approved by the MJ on 11 March 2010.</li> <li>Physical tests of 80 prison guards were finalized and first selection has been concluded in March 2010. The study for the development of relevant law and regulations of prison staff is still underway and to be assessed in April 2010.</li> </ul>	<p>10%</p>

**Qualitative achievements against expected results:**

After some delays in the end of the last quarter of 2009, the rehabilitation works of the two regional prisons in Mansoa and Bafatá have resumed and advanced very quickly during this first quarter of 2010. Both prisons are to be concluded in May 2010.

The situation of the property of the premises of the detention centre of the Judiciary Police has been finally solved during this first quarter thanks to the intervention of the UNODC in this particular subject within the Ministry of Justice.

The approvals of the studies on the training programme and DMS constitutes also a major achievement towards the completion of the project.

This quarter has been also quite productive in terms of disbursement of funds with almost 50% of funds disbursed for the completion of both regional prisons.