## Guinea Bissau Peace building Fund Project Summary

## STATUS REPORT AS OF 31/03/2011

Recipient UN Organization:	UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)	:t	PBF P	riority Area:	Security Sector F	Reform	
Implementing Partner(s):	Ministry of National Defense						
Project Number:	PBF/GNB/B-2						
Project Title:	Rehabilitation of Military Barracks						
Total Approved Project Budget	US\$ 1,905,000						
Funds Committed:	US\$ 1,898,450.76		Percentage of Approved:		99,65 %		
Funds Disbursed:	US\$ 1,538,183.53	8,183.53		ntage of ved:	80,74 %		
SC Approval Date:	29 May 2008						
Expected Project Duration:	18 Months	Foreca Final		March 2011	Delay (Months):	18 at least	

Outputs:	Progress:	Percentage of planned:
Output 1: Rehabilitation of military barracks (totally) in 3 locations/units	The rehabilitation works in the military barrack of <b>Gabu</b> (Lot 1) performed by the contractor <b>Jomo</b> is still ongoing and is in the final stage. Out of 30 buildings to be totally rehabilitated, only 4 buildings have been partially completed:	
	<ul> <li>- 1) Garage: doors and windows are not yet set up and the cobblestone remains to be finished.</li> </ul>	
	- 2) Dining hall for officials: 65% of the ceiling has been completed. The cobblestone is yet to be finished. Military personnel continue to use the hall as a dormitory, despite many requests from UNOPS technicians to vacate the place and allow the completion of the works.	
	<ul> <li>- 3) Health post: Some minors adjustments have to be done in the wall tiles to complete the work.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>- 4) Dining hall for soldiers: some minor finishing is to be undertaken as the soldiers were also using the facility as a mess hall.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>As for Quebo (Lot 2) military barrack rehabilitation performed by the contractor Sebastijan, out of 16 buildings to be totally rehabilitated, there are only 2 buildings to be completed:</li> </ul>	
	<ol> <li>Kitchen for soldiers: tiles to be put in place; doors and windows to set up.</li> </ol>	
	2) Toilets for soldiers: military personnel are using part of the toilet room to store ammunition. UNOPS technicians have made repeated requests to the military personnel to transfer the ammunition to another place. Until now the situation remains	

unchanged.

The military personnel in conjunction with UNOPS team and the contractors have selected the color of the paint to apply in both barracks.

Generally, the main activity remaining is to set up doors and windows and to make some minors adjustments.

The painting in both sites is scheduled from April 18, 2011 for 10 days.

- From the first week of April 2011, the contractor **Grupo Beto Pinto Pereira** is expected to deliver in Amura fortress, the building materials for the second and last phase. The military engineers have provided the requested chronogram of activities defining 12 weeks time to complete the works in Amura. The document has been validated by the Guinean military engineers, the Ministry of National Defense and UNOPS. UNOPS technicians will support the Ministry of National Defense in making architectural drawings for the remaining buildings to be rehabilitated in Amura.
- Output 2: Rehabilitation / construction of water boreholes.
- The contractor **ENAFUR** has drilled water holes for Gabu and Quebo military barracks. In Gabu, the structure for a 6 meter height water tank has been completed. In Quebo, the structure is being made. The water tanks will be set up in both structures in near future.
- UNOPS has submitted a no cost extension on December 21, 2010 to the client for validation. A financial overview of the project has also been produced to show the actual costs of the project's outputs versus the anticipated costs on the initial budget. Both documents are still waiting for signature from the client. In addition to a more detailed financial report, the client had requested some changes in the request for amendment no cost extension. UNOPS has provided the requested information. Lastly, the Ministry of National Defense has verbally informed UNOPS team that the documents will be discussed during the next National Steering Committee to be held in April 2011; thereafter, validation will take place.
- Despite lack of legal documentation signed by the client to finalize the project activity, UNOPS technical team continues to supervise the execution of works in the military barracks of Gabu and Quebo and to provide technical support and guidance to the military engineers for Amura fortress.

Output 3: Electrical wiring reviewed and alternative energy supplied.

## Qualitative achievements against expected results:

The field works are progressing in full compliance with the prevailing standards. The completion of the works which was planned for the end of February 2011 has been delayed for more than a month. The work is expected to be completed by the end of April 2011.

The fact that some premises are being used by the military personnel either to store weapons and/or ammunitions or as dormitories, has impacted the progression of the work, causing some delays.

Due the preparation of project closure and budget constraints, only one National Architect/Project Manager and the driver have their contract extended for 2 months. The National Architect/Project Manager is conducting the overall supervision of the works during the extension period.

It is expected that the project will be amended and that the no cost extension and the financial overview will be validated and endorsed by the stakeholders during the upcoming National Steering Committee.