Guinea Bissau Peace building Fund Project Summary

STATUS REPORT AS OF 31/12/2010

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\$ 1,876,405.06		Percentage of Approved:		98,49%	
Funds Disbursed:	US\$ 1,192,202.76		Percentage of Approved:		62,58%	
SC Approval Date:	29 May 2008					
Expected Project Duration:	18 Months	Foreca		December 2010	Delay (Months):	16 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 Quebo is progressing very well and is on a completion status. The contractor, Sebastijan , is waiting for the client to define the paint color to apply on the buildings.	
	 At Gabu military barrack, the last rainy season has impacted on the progression of the field works and the contractor, Jomo, is expected to be behind the planned completion date for at least 10 days. UNOPS has recommended the contractor to reinforce his team in the field to shorten the delay. 	
Output 2: Rehabilitation / construction of water boreholes.	The successful bidder, for the supply of building materials for Amura fortress – phase 1 has delivered all materials, except the perishable ones such as cement, plaster to avoid their deterioration. The same contractor, Grupo Beto Pinto Pereira has also been granted a contract amendment to procure the similar building materials for phase 2. The total amount of the contract is USD 125,550.64.	
Output 3: Electrical wiring reviewed and alternative energy supplied.	To prevent delays in the work performed by the military engineers and to control the absorption capacity of the materials as well, it has been requested to the MoD to provide a chronogram for the execution of the works in Amura fortress. The document under finalization will be endorsed by the involved parties.	

- The contractor ENAFUR has been selected after the bidding process for the rehabilitation and digging of wells and building of water tanks for Gabu and Quebo barracks for a total amount of USD 79,592. The contractor has been introduced to the military command. The works has started in the fields and is planned to last 45 days in both barracks.
- UNOPS has submitted the request for an amendment to the project document – no cost extension since 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 waiting for signature from the client before being endorsed by the donor and presented to the National Steering Committee for validation.
- 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.
- Selected contractors and contracts' amount :

Sebastijan – Quebo : USD 327,505.77
 Jomo Lda – Gabu : USD 519,332.48
 BPP - Amura : USD 125,550.64
 ENAFUR : USD 79,592

Qualitative achievements against expected results:

All the works underlined in the proposal of rewording of the project document approved on December 10, 2009 by the client through the project's management committee are progressing in full compliance with the prevailing standards. The completion of the works is planned for end of February 2011.

Even though the extended rainy season could delay the works in Gabu, the contractor has taken appropriate measures to reinforce his team and shorten the eventual delay in the completion of the works on due time.

In view of preparing the project closure, and to increase the financial capacity of the project for the extended period, half of the technical staff including one administrative assistant will be separated from UNOPS on December 31, 2010. The remaining personnel, two architects and a driver will focus on the overall supervision of the works during the extension period.

The request for project amendment – no cost extension and the financial overview of the project is expected to be endorsed very soon by involved stakeholders before transmission to the NSC for validation.