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In Abuja, The Special Representative ANNADIF Reaffirms the United Nations Commitment For A Privileged Partnership With ECOWAS.

Dakar, September 9, 2021- The Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Office for West Africa and the Sahel (UNOWAS), Mahamat Saleh ANNADIF, today met in Abuja, Nigeria, the President of the Commission of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), Jean Claude Kassi BROU.

The long-planned meeting is part of the familiarization tour initiated by M. ANNADIF following his appointment as the new Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the UNOWAS Office, last April.

During their meeting, the two officials exchanged views on various topics of common interest, including the need to further strengthen the partnership between ECOWAS and UNOWAS to better support the countries of the sub-region in their efforts to consolidate peace and democracy. In this regard, they renewed their condemnation of the coup d'Etat in Guinea, and called for the speedy release of President Alpha Condé, and a return to constitutional order.

M. ANNADIF commended the commitment of the President of ECOWAS in favor of peace, the strengthening of democratic institutions and good governance, and the development of the countries of the sub-region.

M. ANNADIF reaffirmed the United Nations commitment to continue working with ECOWAS through a privileged partnership to achieve the sustainable development goals to which the countries of West Africa aspire.

The meeting was also an opportunity to introduce to the President of the Commission, the head of the new UNOWAS liaison office, recently deployed to ECOWAS headquarters in Abuja.

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