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UNAMA WELCOMES APPOINTMENT OF NEW HIGH PEACE COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

KABUL, 14 APRIL 2012 - The United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA) welcomes the appointment today of a new chairman of the High Peace Council, Salahuddin Rabbani.

This appointment provides an opportunity to renew efforts to promote the peace and reconciliation process. UNAMA reiterates its availability, on behalf of the international community, to support the Council technically in their work and activities.

UNAMA's support to the High Peace Council is consistent with its Security Council mandate to assist the Government and the people of Afghanistan in laying the foundations for sustainable peace and development. This mandate includes the role of assisting national reconciliation and encouraging regional dialogue and engagement processes aimed at achieving and sustaining peace in Afghanistan.

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