

**Second Ministerial Reunion on the
Situation concerning the Security and Peace in the East of the
Democratic Republic of Congo**

**Luanda, Republic of Angola
30 July 2024**

Report

1. The Second Session of the Ministerial Reunion between the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and the Republic of Rwanda, on the ongoing situation regarding peace and security in the East of the DRC was held on 30 July 2024, in Luanda, the Republic of Angola, at the Ministry of External Relations;
2. The Delegations of the two countries were led by H.E. **Thérèse Kayikwamba Wagner**, Minister of State, Minister of Foreign Affairs, International Cooperation and Francophonie of the DRC, and H.E. **Olivier Jean Patrick Ndhungirehe**, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Rwanda;
3. The Heads of the Congolese and Rwandan delegations were received in audience by His Excellency **João Manuel Gonçalves Laurengo**, President of the Republic of Angola, in his **capacity as Mediator designated by the African Union**, and **Champion of Peace and Reconciliation of the African Union**. At this occasion, the Parties reaffirmed their commitment to the Processes of Luanda and Nairobi, having acknowledged that the latter remain the basis and standard to reach a

negotiated solution to peace, stability and security in the East of the DRC and in the Region of the Great Lakes;

4. In the course of the Ministerial Reunion, the Parties reiterated the conclusions of the Ministerial Reunion in Luanda on 21 March 2024, and took note of the following:

- a) On 26 April 2024, the Government of the DRC submitted to the Mediation its Plan for the Neutralisation of the FDLR;
- b) In its turn, on 6 May 2024, the Government of Rwanda submitted to the Mediation its analysis and observations on the Plan;

5. The Ministers acknowledged that the situation in the theatre of operations has deteriorated, resulting in, *inter alia*, an aggravation of the humanitarian situation.

6. In witness thereof, the Ministers decided the following:

a) ***Ceasefire***

They agreed on a ceasefire between the parties of the conflict in the East of the DRC that shall be effective from Sunday, 4 August 2024, at midnight, local hour, and supervised by the *Ad Hoc* Verification Mechanism with the support of intelligence experts of the three countries and other entities, where applicable.

b) **The Implementation of the Plan for the Neutralisation of the FDLR;** and

c) **The preparation of a Plan for the Withdrawal of the Forces.**

7. The Ministers took note of the Mediator's proposition ensuing from the Plan for the neutralisation of the FDLR, proposed by the DRC, and the observations of Rwanda. They thus instructed the intelligence experts of the three countries and other entities, where applicable, to come together on 7 August 2024, in Luanda, Angola, in order to:

- a) Examine the Mediator's proposition on the Harmonised Plan for the Neutralisation of the FDLR;
 - b) Prepare a Plan for the withdrawal of the forces on the ground.
8. The experts shall submit their report by 15 August 2024 to the next Ministerial Reunion, due to take place in August.
9. The Ministers reiterated the importance to maintain a climate of appeasement, avoiding hate speeches and verbal attacks.

Done in Luanda, 30 July 2024

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Congo

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