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World Council of Churches in collaboration with the All Africa Conference of Churches,
ACT Alliance, Methodist Church UK and the Council of Churches in Mozambique
International Ecumenical Conference for Peace and Security in Cabo Delgado,
Mozambique.

Title: International Ecumenical Conference for Peace and Security in Cabo Delgado, Mozambique

Date/Time: 29 October 2021, 12:00-15:00 CET and Mozambique Times.

Languages: English and Portuguese

Zoom link:

Background:

Since October 2017, an Islamic extremist armed group has been launching violent attacks on civilians in the northern province of Cabo Delgado, in Mozambique. Violent incidents involving the group, known as Ahlu Sunna Wal-Jama, have been increasing, with incessant attacks on civilians, government forces, and military installations. The group's activities have been concentrated on the coast of Cabo Delgado from Pemba city to the Tanzanian border. By the end of 2020, conflict in Cabo Delgado had displaced almost 670,000 people within Cabo Delgado and to neighbouring Provinces of Niassa and Nampula. About 580,000 were displaced in 2020 alone as violence intensified throughout the year. Nearly 950,000 people are facing higher levels of acute food insecurity in the three provinces over January-March 2021. Insecurity has disrupted markets, blocked supply routes, and increased food prices, while repeated displacement has destroyed livelihoods for many and the COVID-19 has amplified the situation in the province.

In the light of the above, the World Council of Churches (WCC) in collaboration with the All Africa Conference of Churches (AACC), ACT Alliance, Methodist Church U.K (MCUK) and the Council of Churches in Mozambique (CCM) convene the International Ecumenical Conference for peace and security in Cabo Delgado, Mozambique.

The goal of the conference is to bring together regional and global ecumenical partners, Church-based organizations, and networks to listen, learn, reflect and explore possibilities of developing an ecumenical action plan for a short, medium and long-term response to the conflict situation in Cabo Delgado and surrounding Provinces.

Moderators of the conference: Rev. Dr Ibrahim Wushishi Yusuf, Programme Executive Peacebuilding in Africa and Mrs Elizabeth Zimba, Coordinator ACT Alliance Africa Region

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SESSION I		
Opening Devotion	Council of Churches Mozambique (CCM)	9 min
Introduction of participants	Moderator of the session	3 min
Welcome remarks/objectives of the Conference	Prof. Isabel Phiri: Deputy General Secretary, World Council of Churches (WCC)	8 min
Key note address	Bishop Arnold Temple: President, All Africa Conference of Churches (AACC)	20 min
CONFLICT SITUATION ANALYSIS IN CABO DELGADO		
I: Economic situation	Fatima Mimir:	10 min
II. Social Situation	Emerson Ubisse:	10 min
III: Political Situation	Dr. Calton Cadeado:	10 min
Plenary session/Q& A	All participants	14 min
Health break		5 min
SESSION II – Moderating Mrs Elizabeth Zimba		
IV. Current engagement/response by churches/FBOs <i>moderated discussion</i>	The Church: Rev. Joao Damiao Elias GS - CCM	7 min each
	The Civil society: Dr Tomas Vieira Mario - Sekelekani Organization	
	The Interfaith: Bishop Juliasse Sandram - Bishop of Catholic Church of Pemba	
Plenary- comments/ Q & A	All participants	14 min
V: Breakout groups	Three groups - randomly	20 min
VI: Groups presentations	Groups representative	15 min
VII: Draft conference statement	Drafting group	3 min
VII: Way forward/next step	Moderator of the session	5 min
IX: Closing remarks	Rev. Felicidade Naume Chirinda: CCM President	3 min
	ACT Alliance (tbd)	3 min
	Rev. Dr Kenneth Mtata: Chair FOCCISA & General Secretary ZCC	3 min
X Vote of thanks	World Council of Churches	
X : Closing prayers	TBD	3 min