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## **European Union reinforces electoral observation with the arrival of more observers**

**Bissau, 7 April 2014-** The European Union Electoral Observation Mission (EU EOM) expects tomorrow in the capital the arrival of more 23 observers who will leave on wednesday, 9 April, to the regions of Guinea Bissau to monitor the electoral process.

The observers, from several European countries, arrive in Guinea Bissau in order to reinforce the work of the long-term observers who have been monitoring the electoral process since the 26 March. Before the departure to their respective areas of responsibility, the 23 observers will attend a briefing in Bissau on the country's socio-political situation and electoral process.

These short-term observers will observe, in co-ordination with the long-term observers, the electoral campaign, the pre-electoral preparations, the voting, counting and tabulation. A delegation of four Members of the European Parliament who will arrive in the country still this week, will also participate in the EU EOM.

This Mission has been launched in Bissau on 19 March, following the National Electoral Commission (CNE) invitation, and is comprised by 49 observers. The EU EOM goal is to develop an impartial and balanced analysis of the 13 April presidential and legislative elections.

The EU EOM, led by Krzysztof Lisek, a Member of the European Parliament, will issue a final declaration after the election; a final report will be presented at a later stage.

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