Resolution of the SI Council on Guinea-Bissau

The Socialist International expresses its deep concern over the worsening economic and social conditions in Guinea Bissau, a situation exacerbated by the unconstitutional dissolution of Parliament and the ongoing violation of the rights and fundamental freedoms of its citizens and political parties, undermining the ordinary functioning of the institutions of the democratic rule of law.

Having emerged victorious with an absolute majority in the legislative elections held on 4/6/23, the PAIGC, a member party of the Socialist International, was prevented from governing by a constitutional coup d'état orchestrated by the President of the Republic, who unilaterally established a government that disregarded the will of the people as expressed in the free, fair and transparent elections.

The Socialist International reiterates its statement of 5/12/23 on the political climate in Guinea Bissau, repeating its condemnation of all the violations cited above and calling for the immediate reconvening of the National Popular Assembly. It also demands the reinstatement of the legitimate PAIGC government and the return to constitutional normality of the state institutions.

The SI appeals to the international community, in particular ECOWAS, the African Union and the United Nations, to support the implementation of measures to re-establish constitutional and democratic order in Guinea Bissau.