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# DEVELOPING A NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY, SENEGAL EXPERIENCE

## PREAMBLE

#### • CONTEXT:

- national context;
- > sub-regional and international context;

#### • CONSISTENCY OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY SYSTEM:

- > need for coordination of sector policies;
- ➤ The National Security Strategy completes the security architecture.

# • THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC CONSULTS THE CENTER FOR ADVANCED STUDIES IN DEFENSE AND SECURITY:

- Presidential Decree;
- > Circular of the Prime Minister.

### CORE IDEA

Developing a national security strategy is a necessity requiring major conceptual efforts but also efforts at inclusive implementation and anticipation, despite the difficulties related to the diversity of the actors.

# PLAN

1. DESIGN

2. IMPLEMENTATION

3. PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS

4. OUTLOOK

# DESIGN

#### SUPPORT OF ACSS:

- > national workshop in July 2018;
- > sub-regional seminar in August 2018;
- >ACSS as resource person.

#### • INTERNAL ORGANIZATION:

- > setting up a steering committee;
- > setting up a permanent secretariat;
- Document review and drafting of conceptual documents.

# DESIGN (CONTINUATION)

#### SETTING UP A NATIONAL COMMISSION:

- > The Council of Elders;
- > Small commission with appointment of a coordinator;
- resource persons.

#### • SETTING UP SUBCOMMITTEES:

- > S/C Benchmarking, Zone Workshops and Interviews;
- > S/C Perception surveys;
- > S/C Communication;
- > S/C Production of the National Security Strategy document.

Note: Each subcommittee has a Chair and a designated focal point.

# IMPLEMENTATION

- UPDATE BRIEFING;
- METHODOLOGY:
  - > Choosing the study framework;
  - ➤ Alternating between plenary sessions and work in subcommittees;
  - ➤ enhancing specific capabilities:

    Transformational leadership, communication and survey;
  - > phases of validation.

# OVERVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION STATUS

- BENCHMARKING AND CONSULTATION OPTIONS
- MEETING WITH EXPERTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITIES:
  - making the survey results available.
- PRODUCTION:
  - > survey, interview and questionnaire forms;
  - > view during validation;
  - > list of persons to be interviewed during validation;
  - > draft of strategy analysis document.

#### PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS

- FOSTERING LOYALTY OF COMMISSION MEMBERS:
  - > Solution: follow up.
- LACK OF RELEVANT EXPERIENCE OF SOME MEMBERS
  - Solution: upgrade and effort to understand the discussions.
- DELAY IN SETTING UP THE FUNDS
  - > Solution: prefinancing, loan application and follow-up.

#### OUTLOOK

- REPORTS ON CONSULTATIONS OF SUB-COMMITTEES;
- USING THE DATA AND DRAFTING THE DOCUMENT;
- EVALUATION;
- PERIODIC REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC;
- ACTIONS TO COMMUNICATE ABOUT THE NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY;
- WORK ESTIMATED TO END IN LATE JUNE 2019;
- PROPOSED FREQUENCY OF REVIEWS OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY.

# CONCLUSION