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Press Release

International Conference on the Great Lakes Region

The ICGLR Deputy Executive Secretary received the Republic of South Africa Delegation on fact finding mission in Burundi

Bujumbura, Burundi, December 09, 2015: The Deputy Executive Secretary of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) Ambassador Vicente Muanda today at the Conference Secretariat offices received the delegation lead by Ambassador Jerry Matjila, the Director General of the Department of International Relations and Cooperation of the Republic of South Africa who is visiting Burundi on fact finding mission.

The two discussed on the security situation in Burundi and the need for search of peace and stability in the country and exchanged views on areas related to address the disarmament process of civilian to avoid escalation of violence between civilians and the armed forces. They also exchanged on the mediation process led by His Excellency, Yoweri Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda and the need to involve all Burundian stakeholders to work towards the resumption of this process through political dialogue as the only way that will enable Burundi to return to stability.

The Director General reiterated the Government of South Africa's concern on the security situation and its commitment to bring about peace and stability in Burundi.

The Deputy Executive Secretary reiterated the ICGLR's readiness and commitment to peace, stability and development in Burundi and the region.

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