Letter dated 18 December 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1719 (2006) dated 25 October 2006, by which the Council authorized the establishment of the United Nations Integrated Office in Burundi (BINUB) for an initial period of 12 months, as of 1 January 2007. In that resolution, the Security Council welcomed my recommendation that BINUB be headed by an Executive Representative of the Secretary-General, who would also serve as the Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Programme and as the United Nations Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian Coordinator.

Following the usual consultations, it is my intention to appoint my Deputy Special Representative for Burundi, Youssef Mahmoud (Tunisia), as the Executive Representative of the Secretary-General for Burundi and Head of BINUB as of 1 January 2007.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kofi A. Annan