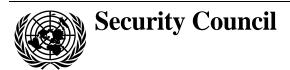
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Letter dated 15 December 2005 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 15 November 2005 (S/2005/793) concerning the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region and your intention to extend until 31 December 2006 the mandate of your Special Representative for the region, Ibrahima Fall, which will expire on 31 December 2005, has been brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council. The members of the Security Council request further information and clarification in writing on the proposed extension of the mandate, detailing the activities expected to be performed by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General and his office in 2006 to support the process of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region, based on an assessment of his role and performance over the past eight years.

(Signed) Emyr **Jones Parry** President of the Security Council