Letter dated 3 February 2009 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003) addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith the report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003) (see annex), containing an account of the Committee’s activities from 1 January to 31 December 2008. The report, which was adopted by the Committee on 3 February 2009, is being submitted in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council of 29 March 1995 (S/1995/234).

(Signed) Michel Kafando
Chairman
Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003)
Annual report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003)

1. The present report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003) covers the period from 1 January to 31 December 2008.


3. For 2008, the Bureau of the Committee consisted of Michel Kafando (Burkina Faso) as Chairman and the delegation of Belgium as Vice-Chairman (see S/2008/2).

4. The Committee was established by Security Council resolution 1518 (2003) of 24 November 2003 to continue to identify, in accordance with paragraphs 19 and 23 of resolution 1483 (2003), individuals and entities whose funds, other financial assets and economic resources should be frozen and transferred to the Development Fund for Iraq. According to paragraph 23 of resolution 1483 (2003), the freeze and transfer apply to funds, other financial assets and economic resources of individuals and entities associated with the former Iraqi regime, i.e. funds, other financial assets and economic resources removed from Iraq or acquired by Saddam Hussein or other senior officials of the former Iraqi regime and their immediate family members, including entities owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by them or by persons acting on their behalf or at their direction; as well as to funds, other financial assets and economic resources of the previous Government of Iraq or its State bodies, corporations, or agencies, located outside Iraq.

5. Although the Committee did not hold any meetings in 2008, it continued to consider relevant issues brought to its attention. In particular, the Committee considered communications from the Focal Point for De-listing established pursuant to resolution 1730 (2006) and relevant States regarding requests for de-listing submitted by an individual and an entity included on the Committee’s assets-freeze and transfer lists. The Committee’s considerations were concluded with the individual and the entity remaining on the lists.

6. A number of issues brought to the Committee’s attention in 2007 remained before it in 2008. By the end of the reporting period, the Committee had not arrived at a decision regarding those issues and they continue to be under its consideration.

7. The assets-freeze and transfer list of individuals and the assets-freeze and transfer list of entities are available at the Committee’s website, http://www.un.org/sc/committees/1518/index.shtml.