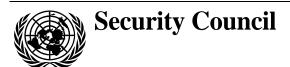
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Letter dated 6 October 2009 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO), established by the Security Council in its resolution 690 (1991) of 29 April 1991.

Following the usual consultations, it is my intention to appoint Hany Abdel-Aziz (Egypt) as my Special Representative for Western Sahara and Head of MINURSO, with immediate effect. Mr. Abdel-Aziz, who has previously served as Chief of Staff of the Joint United Nations-African Union Mediation Support Team in the Sudan and as Chief of Mission Support of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad, is currently serving as Director of Mission Support for the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

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

(Signed) BAN Ki-moon



