Letter dated 31 January 2007 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 Julian Harston (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) as my Special Representative for Western Sahara and Head of MINURSO, with immediate effect. Mr. Harston, who has previously served as Deputy Special Representative for the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina and as Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti, is currently serving as Director of the United Nations Office in Belgrade.

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

(Signed) Ban Ki-moon