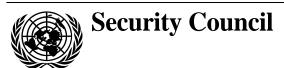
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Letter dated 15 December 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1724 (2006), adopted by the Security Council on 29 November 2006, concerning Somalia. In paragraph 3 of that resolution, the Council requested me to re-establish in consultation with the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia, within 30 days from the date of the adoption of resolution 1724 (2006), and for a period of six months, the Monitoring Group referred to in paragraph 3 of resolution 1558 (2004), with a mandate to carry out the tasks set forth in paragraphs 3 (a) to (i) of resolution 1724 (2006).

I would like to inform you therefore that, following consultations with the Committee, I have appointed the following experts:

Melvin E. Holt, Jr. (United States of America) Harjit Singh Kelley (Kenya) Joel Salek (Colombia) Bruno Schiemsky (Belgium)

I have also appointed Bruno Schiemsky Chairman of the Monitoring Group.

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

(Signed) Kofi A. Annan

