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Letter dated 26 July 2011 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI), established on 4 April 2004 pursuant to resolution 1524 (2004) and recently extended by the Security Council in resolution 1981 (2011) until 31 July 2011.

Following the usual consultations, I would like to inform you of my intention to appoint Albert Gerard Koenders (Netherlands) as my Special Representative for Côte d'Ivoire and Head of UNOCI. Mr. Koenders will replace Choi Young-jin (Republic of Korea), who will complete his assignment on 31 August 2011. I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to Mr. Choi for his dedication during a very challenging period and for his effective leadership of UNOCI.

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

(Signed) BAN Ki-moon



