Letter dated 30 March 2020 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General and the Permanent Representatives of the members of the Security Council

I have the honour to inform you that the Security Council has concluded the voting procedure on the draft resolution contained in document S/2020/218, which was submitted by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in connection with the agenda item “The situation in Somalia”. The voting was carried out in accordance with the procedure set out in the letter by the President of the Security Council addressed to Permanent Representatives of Security Council members dated 27 March 2020, which was agreed upon in the light of the extraordinary circumstances caused by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

The Director of the Security Council Affairs Division has received letters from all 15 members of the Security Council indicating their national position on the draft resolution. The result of the vote is as follows:

In favour:
Belgium, China, Dominican Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Indonesia, Niger, Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, South Africa, Tunisia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Viet Nam.

Against:
None.

Abstaining:
None.

The draft resolution received 15 votes in favour. The resolution has been adopted as resolution 2516 (2020) of 30 March 2020. The resolution, which is set out in the annex to the present letter,** will be issued as a document of the Security Council without delay.

(Signed) Zhang Jun
President of the Security Council

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* Reissued for technical reasons on 31 March 2020.
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Annex to the letter dated 30 March 2020 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General and the Permanent Representatives of the members of the Security Council

Resolution 2516 (2020)

Adopted by the Security Council on 30 March 2020

The Security Council,

Reaffirming all its previous resolutions, presidential statements and press statements concerning the situation in Somalia, and underlining the importance of full compliance with and implementation of these,

Reaffirming its respect for the sovereignty, territorial integrity, political independence, and unity of Somalia,

Emphasising the essential role of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNSOM) in supporting the Federal Government of Somalia and its Federal Member States through the provision of strategic advice and good offices, capacity building and the coordination of international partners’ support, and underscoring that this mandate is complementary to the mandates of AMISOM, the United Nations Support Office in Somalia (UNSOS), and the United Nations Country Team in Somalia, and the support provided by the African Union and international partners,

1. Decides to extend until 30 June 2020 the mandate of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNSOM) as set out in paragraph 1 of resolution 2158 (2014), and further decides that UNSOM should continue to implement that mandate in accordance with resolution 2461 (2019);

2. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to keep the Security Council regularly informed on the implementation of this resolution, including through oral updates and written reports every 90 days as set out in resolution 2461(2019), with the next report due by 15 May 2020, on the situation on the ground and progress towards achieving key political benchmarks;

3. Decides to remain seized of this matter.