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Letter dated 12 April 2012 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), which was established by the Security Council in its resolution 690 (1991) and most recently extended in resolution 1979 (2011).

Following the usual consultations, I would like to inform you of my intention to appoint Mr. Wolfgang Weisbrod-Weber (Germany) as my Special Representative for Western Sahara and Head of MINURSO. He replaces Mr. Hany Abdel-Aziz (Egypt), who will complete his assignment on 30 April 2012. I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to Mr. Abdel-Aziz for his dedication and effective leadership of MINURSO.

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

(Signed) **BAN** Ki-moon

