

**Security Council**

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Letter dated 1 April 2014 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I refer to the exchange of letters between the President of the Security Council ([S/2013/765](#)) and myself ([S/2013/764](#)), dated 24 and 20 December 2013, respectively, pertaining to the establishment of a United Nations guard unit to facilitate the implementation of the mandated tasks of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNSOM).

I am pleased to inform you of progress made in implementing the decision of the Security Council. UNSOM has informed the Federal Government of Somalia of the decision in writing and has requested its consent to have the guard unit deployed as soon as possible. The authorities have confirmed their consent.

Meanwhile, Uganda has agreed to contribute the 410 required personnel for the guard unit from newly generated troops. They are expected to deploy by the end of April.

(Signed) **BAN** Ki-moon

