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Letter dated 29 January 2010 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004) addressed to the President of the Security Council

On behalf of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), I would like to draw your attention to paragraph 9 of Security Council resolution 1810 (2008), requesting that the Committee submit the annual programme of its work by the end of each January. The next annual programme of work is therefore now due.

The Committee is of the view that the content of the forthcoming programme of work should be determined in part by the results and recommendations of the comprehensive review of the status of implementation of Security Council resolution 1540 (2004). This comprehensive review final document (S/2010/52, annex), prepared in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 1810 (2008), was completed only on 29 January 2010. Now the Committee will turn its attention to its annual programme of work, as a matter of urgency, drawing on the results and recommendations of the comprehensive review, as appropriate.

I regret that one effect of the logical sequencing of the Committee's work is that it is not possible to meet the deadline set out in Security Council resolution 1810 (2008). However, I can assure you that it is my firm intention that the annual programme of work of the Committee will be adopted no later than 26 February 2010.

I would appreciate it if you would bring this letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council and have it circulated as a document of the Council.

(Signed) Claude **Heller**
Chairman
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pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

