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**Letter dated 23 February 2016 from the Secretary-General  
addressed to the President of the Security Council**

I have the honour to refer to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP), established by the Security Council in its resolution 186 (1964), whose mandate has been extended most recently by the Council in its resolution 2263 (2016).

Following the usual consultations, I would like to inform you of my intention to appoint Ms. Elizabeth Spehar (Canada) as my Special Representative and Head of UNFICYP. Ms. Spehar would also perform the functions of Deputy to my Special Adviser on Cyprus. She succeeds Ms. Lisa M. Bittenheim (United States of America), who will take up the position of Assistant Secretary-General for Field Support at Headquarters. I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to Ms. Bittenheim for her dedication and effective leadership of UNFICYP.

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

(Signed) **BAN** Ki-moon

