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Note by the Secretary-General

1. Section II, paragraph 2, of draft resolution IV recommended by the Second Committee (A/8901, para. 72) states, *inter alia*, that "the environment secretariat shall be headed by the Executive Director, who shall be elected by the General Assembly on the nomination of the Secretary-General for a term of four years".
2. The Secretary-General feels that it would be appropriate if his nomination of the Executive Director could be taken up by the General Assembly in plenary meeting at the same time as the consideration of the reports of the Second and Fifth Committees on this item. In accordance with the above-mentioned provision, the Secretary-General has the honour to nominate Mr. Maurice F. Strong, at present Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment, to be the Executive Director for a term of four years, beginning on 1 January 1973.
