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As you are aware, Ambassador Lansana Kouyate has been acting as my Special Representative for Somalia, following the departure of his predecessor, Admiral Jonathan Howe, in February 1994.

Ambassador Kouyate will shortly be assuming his functions as Assistant Secretary-General in the Department of Political Affairs at United Nations Headquarters in New York. I should like to take this opportunity to record my profound appreciation for his dedicated service to the cause of peace and national reconciliation in Somalia and for his courage, competence and professionalism in the discharge of a complex mission, under most difficult circumstances.

Following consultations, I intend to appoint Ambassador Victor Gbeho as my Special Representative for Somalia, effective 1 July 1994. Ambassador Gbeho is Principal Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ghana and a former Permanent Representative to the United Nations.

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

(<u>Signed</u>) Boutros BOUTROS-GHALI
