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Letter dated 21 December 2020 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to paragraph 5 (a) of Security Council resolution 1977 (2011), by which the Council requested me to establish, in consultation with the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), a group of up to eight experts, acting under the direction and purview of the Committee, composed of individuals with appropriate experience and knowledge to provide the Committee with expertise, to assist the Committee in carrying out its mandate under resolutions 1540 (2004), 1673 (2006), 1810 (2008) and 1977 (2011), including through facilitation of assistance to improve the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004).

Subsequently, on 29 June 2012, the Security Council adopted resolution 2055 (2012), by which it emphasized the significantly increased workload of the Committee over the course of its mandate and requested me to increase the size of the group of experts to up to nine experts.

The term of one expert having expired in July 2020, the Chair of the Committee informed the Secretariat on 10 December 2020 that, after consultations, the Committee had agreed on a candidate to recommend to fill the vacancy and in that connection requested me to take the measures necessary to appoint that candidate.

Accordingly, I wish to inform you that, after consultations with the Committee, I have appointed Ms. Irina Albrecht (Germany) as a member of the group of experts.

I should be grateful if you would bring the present letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) António Guterres



