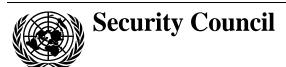
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Letter dated 7 July 2000 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to the military component of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET).

Lieutenant General Jaime de los Santos of the Philippines, who has served as Force Commander of UNTAET since January 2000, will relinquish his post on 21 July 2000. I wish to inform the Security Council of my intention to appoint Lieutenant General Boonsrang Niumpradit of Thailand to the post of Force Commander of UNTAET with effect from 19 July 2000.

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

(Signed) Kofi A. Annan

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