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NOTE BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

1. In view of the decision of the Security Council in its resolution 231 (1966), adopted on 15 December 1966, to extend the stationing in Cyprus of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force, established under Security Council resolution 186 (1964), for a further period of six months ending 26 June 1967, I have made the following arrangements of which I now wish to inform the members of the Security Council.
2. Lieutenant-General I.A.E. Martola, who has commanded the Force in Cyprus since 17 May 1966, has accepted my request to continue to serve as Commander for the new period of six months.
3. I have accepted with regret the resignation, effective 5 January 1967, for pressing personal reasons, of Mr. Carlos A. Bernardes as my Special Representative in Cyprus. I take this opportunity to pay tribute to the great service which Mr. Bernardes has rendered to the United Nations in carrying out his task as Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Cyprus since his appointment on 26 September 1964. In this delicate task Mr. Bernardes has shown the highest qualities of skill, objectivity and devotion to the ideals of the United Nations.
4. Mr. P.P. Spinelli, Under-Secretary, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva, has agreed to act temporarily as my Special Representative in Cyprus after the departure of Mr. Bernardes.

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