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Letter dated 4 August 2005 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO) established by the Security Council in its resolution 690 (1991) of 29 April 1991.

Following the usual consultations, it is my intention to appoint Mr. Francesco Bastagli (Italy) as my Special Representative for Western Sahara and Head of MINURSO, as of 1 September 2005. Mr. Bastagli is currently serving as my Deputy Special Representative for civil administration for the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK).

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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