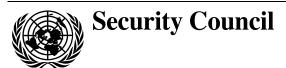
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Letter dated 25 February 2010 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1896 (2009) of 30 November 2009 concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo, by which the Council requested that I extend, for a period expiring on 30 November 2010, the Group of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004).

In accordance with that request, I am pleased to inform you that, after consulting with the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004) concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo, I have appointed the following experts:

Mr. Raymond Debelle, Belgium (arms)

Mr. Mouctar Kokouma Diallo, Guinea (customs and finance)

Mr. Philip Lancaster, Canada (armed groups)

I have also selected Mr. Lancaster to serve as the Coordinator of the Group of Experts.

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

(Signed) BAN Ki-moon



