



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

9 October 2006

Excellency,

I have the honour to transmit for your information a letter from the President of the Security Council, Ambassador Oshima of Japan, of today's date, by which he informed me that the Security Council in its resolution 1715 (2006) has decided to recommend to the General Assembly that Mr. Ban Ki-Moon be appointed the Secretary-General of the United Nations for a term of office from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2011.

The letter will be issued as an official document under the symbol A/61/501.

The date for the appointment of the Secretary-General under agenda item 104 will be announced in the Journal shortly.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Haya Rashed Al Khalifa". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line that extends to the right.

Haya Rashed Al Khalifa

All the Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
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