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The Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), refers to the latter's Note No. S/AC.44/2013/OC.5, dated 27 February 2013, and has the honour to inform the Committee:

With regard to UNSCR 1540, Switzerland has designated Mr. Reto WOLLENMANN as Switzerland's national point of contact for all matters related to UNSCR 1540:

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In addition, Lt Col GS Frédéric TISSOT-DAGUETTE, Military Adviser/Counsellor of the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations can serve as an alternate New York-based point of contact. In the framework of the OSCE, Dr Pierre VON ARX, Diplomatic Counsellor, Deputy Head of Delegation for Security Policy,

Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the OSCE, the United Nations and the International Organisations in Vienna will remain the designated Vienna-based point of contact.

Moreover, the Permanent Mission would like to inform the Committee of the Swiss support for the extra-budgetary OSCE project "Support of Regional Implementation of the UNSCR 1540" of the Conflict Prevention Centre of the OSCE Secretariat. This project was initiated in 2013 and has been recently extended in order to sustain the project until July 2014.

The Permanent Mission would also like to inform the Committee that assistance in the area of bio-safety and bio-security was provided to Iraq in response to the 1540 Committee's request of 16 June 2010.

The Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004) the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 4 December 2013

Secretariat of the 1540 Committee  
Attention: Chairman 1540 Committee  
United Nations, New York

