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**Letter dated 11 May 2000 from the Secretary-General addressed  
to the President of the Security Council**

I have the honour to inform the members of the Security Council that it is my intention to appoint Jean Arnault, presently my Special Representative and Head of the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA), as my Representative and Head of the United Nations Office in Burundi (UNOB). He will take up his new functions in June 2000. Mr. Arnault will succeed Cheikh Tidiane Sy, who has been designated as my Representative and Head of the United Nations Peace-Building Support Office in the Central African Republic (BONUCA) from 1 June 2000. Mr. Arnault's curriculum vitae is attached (see annex).

I should be grateful if you could bring the content of the present letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

*(Signed)* Kofi A. **Annan**

## Annex

### Curriculum vitae

Jean Arnault  
Nationality: French  
Born: 6 May 1951

### Professional experience

- 1997 to date: Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Guatemala,  
Head of Mission  
United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA)
- 1994-1996: Moderator of the Guatemala Peace Negotiations  
Head of the Guatemala Unit, Department of Political Affairs
- 1992-1993: Observer of the Guatemala Peace Negotiations, desk officer for  
Central America  
Department of Political Affairs, New York
- 1991: Political adviser to the Special Representative of the Secretary-  
General for Western Sahara
- 1990: Senior Political Affairs Officer, Head of Kabul headquarters  
Office of the Secretary-General for Afghanistan and Pakistan
- 1989: Senior Political Affairs Officer  
United Nations Transition Assistance Group, Namibia (UNTAG)
- 1984-1988: Conference interpreter  
Department of Conference Services, New York
- 1981-1983: Conference interpreter (freelance)  
United Nations Office at Geneva, World Intellectual Property  
Organization, International Telecommunication Union, United  
Nations Industrial Development Organization, International Atomic  
Energy Agency, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United  
Nations, United Nations Centre for Human Settlements, United  
Nations Environment Programme
- 1978-1980: Translator, French and Russian  
Novosti Press Agency (Moscow)

### Education and training

- 1976: Licence in philosophy (University of the Sorbonne, Paris)
- 1980: Post-graduate diploma in conference interpretation (Polytechnic of  
Central London)
- 1999: Course in management and team-building, Guatemala

### Languages

Spoken, written, drafting: English, French, Russian and Spanish

**Stays outside country of nationality of one year and above**

1966-1968: Havana  
 1978-1980: Moscow  
 1980-1981: London  
 1981-1983: Geneva  
 1984-1988: New York  
 1990: Kabul  
 1997-2000 Guatemala

**Interventions at international conferences and seminars**

1994: Vesper Society, San Francisco, United States of America  
 1995: Consultative group meeting on Guatemala, Paris  
 Woodrow Wilson Center Seminar on compared peace processes, Washington, D.C.  
 1996: Inter-American dialogue, Washington, D.C.  
 1997: Consultative group meeting on Guatemala, Brussels  
 Carter Center-World Bank seminar on compared peace processes, Atlanta  
 Woodrow Wilson Center seminar on compared peace processes, Washington, D.C.  
 IPA seminar on peacemaking and peacekeeping, New York  
 Fund for Peace Conference, Washington, D.C.  
 Harvard seminar on Guatemala peace process, Boston  
 1998: Peace Implementation Network, New York  
 Seminar on Central American Peace processes, Cartagena de Indias, Colombia  
 Inter-American Development Bank Conference on Public Security, San Salvador  
 Conference on the Colombian peace process, Bogota  
 Conference on Peace and Public Security, Ibagué, Colombia  
 Seminar on peace processes, Johns Hopkins University, Washington, D.C.  
 Woodrow Wilson Center seminar on compared peace processes, Washington, D.C.  
 1999: United Nations Institute for Training and Research seminar on peace settlement and democratization, Switzerland

FAFO-International Monetary Fund-World Bank seminar on financing of the public sector in post-conflict peace-building situations, Washington, D.C.

Consultative group meeting on Central America, Stockholm

Seminar on Iberoamerican peace processes, Guatemala

International Peace Academy course on peacekeeping, Austria

The role of the United Nations Department of Political Affairs in post-conflict peace-building, New York

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