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Letter dated 21 April 2004 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1533 (2004) of 12 March 2004 concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

In paragraph 10 of the resolution, the Council requested me to appoint, in consultation with the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004) concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo, a group of experts consisting of no more than four members, for a period expiring on 28 July 2004, to perform the mandate set out in paragraph 10 of the resolution, *inter alia*, to gather and analyse all relevant information, including information gathered by the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the context of its monitoring mandate, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, countries of the region and, as necessary, in other countries regarding flows of arms and related materiel, as well as networks operating in violation of the measures imposed by paragraph 20 of resolution 1493 (2003), and to consider and recommend, where appropriate, ways of improving the capabilities of States interested, in particular those of the region, to ensure that the measures imposed by paragraph 20 of resolution 1493 (2003) are effectively implemented.

Following consultations with the above-mentioned Committee, I wish to inform you that I have appointed the following four experts:

Ms. Kathi Lynn Austin (United States of America)

Mr. Victor Dupere (Canada)

Mr. Jean Luc Gallet (France)

Mr. Léon-Pascal Seudie (Cameroon)

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

(Signed) Kofi A. **Annan**