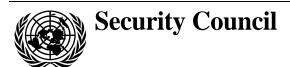
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I have the honour to refer to the United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan (UNMOGIP).

Major-General Pertti Puonti (Finland), who has been the Chief Military Observer of UNMOGIP since 9 January 2002, relinquished his post on 28 July 2004. Following the usual consultations, it is my intention to appoint Major-General Guido Palmieri (Italy) as the next Chief Military Observer of UNMOGIP.

(Signed) Kofi Annan