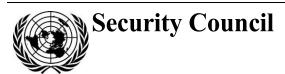
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I have the honour to refer to the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia established by Security Council resolution 2366 (2017) of 10 July 2017. The mandate of the Verification Mission was extended by resolution 2435 (2018) of 13 September 2018.

Following the usual consultations, I would like to inform you of my intention to appoint Mr. Carlos Ruiz Massieu (Mexico) as my Special Representative for Colombia and Head of the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia. Mr. Ruiz Massieu shall succeed Mr. Jean Arnault (France), whose term of office expires on 31 December 2018.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deep gratitude to Mr. Arnault for his exemplary service in the cause of peace in Colombia, initially as Delegate of the Secretary-General to the peace negotiations in Havana, and subsequently as the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Colombia and Head of the United Nations Mission in Colombia and its successor, the Verification Mission.

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

(Signed) António Guterres



