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Letter dated 4 January 2019 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to paragraph 34 of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon ([S/2000/718](#)), in which the Secretary-General expressed his intention to appoint a senior official to be based in Beirut to help coordinate United Nations activities regarding Lebanon.

Following the usual consultations, I wish to inform the Security Council of my intention to appoint Ján Kubiš (Slovakia) as United Nations Special Coordinator for Lebanon, succeeding the Acting Special Coordinator, Pernille Dahler Kardel.

Mr. Kubiš served until 14 December 2018 as Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Iraq and Head of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq. In his capacity as Special Coordinator for Lebanon, Mr. Kubiš will be my representative in Lebanon responsible for coordinating the work of the United Nations in the country. He will represent me on all political aspects of the work of the United Nations in Lebanon. Among other functions, he will ensure that the activities of the country team are well coordinated with the Government of Lebanon, donors and international financial institutions, in line with the objectives of the United Nations in Lebanon.

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

(Signed) António **Guterres**

