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Letter dated 23 December 2020 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that the Security Council has approved the proposal in your letter dated 22 December 2020 (S/2020/1290) concerning the temporary redeployment, for a two-month period, of two infantry companies and two military utility helicopters from the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) to assist the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA) in reinforcing security in critical areas, while maintaining the security of Bangui. Any forces temporarily redeployed shall continue to be counted against the authorized ceiling on military and civilian personnel of UNMISS and shall not count against the ceiling of MINUSCA. The Council views the adequate resourcing and staffing of UNMISS as vital to the implementation of the peace accords for South Sudan. The members of the Council wish to highlight that this is an approval for a temporary request brought about by emergency circumstances.

(*Signed*) Jerry Matthews **Matjila** President of the Security Council



