

**Security Council**

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Letter dated 7 July 2010 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council

I should like to inform the members of the Security Council that the activities undertaken to fulfil the mandate outlined in paragraph 14 of resolution 1284 (1999) and requested in a letter dated 26 March 2008 from the President of the Council to the Secretary-General (S/2008/206) have led to expenditures amounting to \$476,301 from 25 April 2008 to 31 May 2010. The funds were provided through transfers from the Iraq escrow account.

I have taken note of the statement made to the press by the Security Council on Iraq-Kuwait (SC/9955), in which the Council noted the agreement of its members to finance the continuation of the activities of the High-level Coordinator for a period of six months.

Given that all parties should translate political statements of goodwill into concrete actions so as to enable progress during the coming months and resolving outstanding issues, the period ahead will require further intensification of the activities of the High-level Coordinator. To that end, it would be necessary to allocate the resources sufficient to finance the activities of the High-level Coordinator and his support staff until 31 December 2010 in the amount of \$233,600. It is suggested that these funds be earmarked from the operating reserves and fund balance of the 2.2 per cent part of the escrow account intended for administration and operational costs.

Should the Security Council agree with this proposal, funds will be transferred within the escrow account and made available to the Department of Political Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat, which backstops the activities of the High-level Coordinator.

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

(Signed) **BAN** Ki-moon

