

**Security Council**

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**Letter dated 30 June 2004 from the President of the Security Council to the Secretary-General**

I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 25 June 2004 (S/2004/526) concerning your recommendation to extend the mandate of the United Nations Observer Mission in Bougainville (UNOMB) for a further six-month period, from 1 July to 31 December 2004, has been brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council. They take note of the recommendation and information contained in your letter. The Security Council also notes that it is the intention of the Council for this to be the final extension of this mission, and requests that the Secretary-General present a report to the Council within three months on an assessment of the ground situation and on a mission-closure plan.

(Signed) Lauro L. **Baja**, Jr.  
President of the Security Council

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