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**Letter dated 20 February 2017 from the Secretary-General
addressed to the President of the Security Council**

I have the honour to refer to the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA), established by the Security Council in its resolution [1990 \(2011\)](#) of 27 June 2011 and most recently extended in resolution [2318 \(2016\)](#) of 15 November 2016.

Following the usual consultations, I should like to inform you of my intention to appoint Major General Tesfay Gidey Hailemichael (Ethiopia) as Force Commander of UNISFA. He will succeed Major General Hassen Ebrahim Mussa (Ethiopia), who completed his assignment on 17 February 2017. I should like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to Major General Mussa for his dedication and effective leadership of the UNISFA military component.

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

(Signed) António **Guterres**

