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Letter dated 23 December 2005 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003) addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith the report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003), containing an account of the Committee's activities from 1 January to 31 December 2005 (see annex). The report, which was adopted by the Committee on 19 December 2005, is being submitted in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council of 29 March 1995 (S/1995/234).

(Signed) Mihnea **Motoc**
Chairman

Security Council Committee established pursuant to
resolution 1518 (2003)

Annex

Annual report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003)

I. Introduction

1. The present report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003) covers the period from 1 January to 31 December 2005.
2. For 2005, the Committee's Bureau consisted of Mihnea Motoc (Romania) as Chairman and the delegations of Brazil and Denmark as Vice-chairmen (see S/2005/3).
3. During the reporting period, the Committee held four informal meetings, on 8 February, 18 February, 14 October and 12 December.

II. Background

4. The Committee was established by Security Council resolution 1518 (2003) of 24 November 2003 to continue to identify, in accordance with paragraphs 19 and 23 of resolution 1483 (2003), individuals and entities whose funds, other financial assets and economic resources should be frozen and transferred to the Development Fund for Iraq. According to paragraph 23 of resolution 1483 (2003), the freeze and transfer apply to funds, other financial assets and economic resources of individuals and entities associated with the former Iraqi regime, i.e. funds, other financial assets and economic resources removed from Iraq or acquired by Saddam Hussein or other senior officials of the former Iraqi regime and their immediate family members, including entities owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by them or by persons acting on their behalf or at their direction; as well as to funds, other financial assets and economic resources of the previous Government of Iraq or its state bodies, corporations, or agencies, located outside Iraq.

III. Summary of the activities of the Committee

5. At its informal consultations on 8 February, 18 February, 14 October and 12 December, the Committee continued its discussions on its draft guidelines for the de-listing of individuals and entities from its assets-freeze and transfer list.
6. At its informal consultations on 8 and 18 February, the Committee considered a letter transmitted by the Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee, dated 21 January 2005, containing a reply to the Committee's letter of 3 December 2004 from the lawyers of an individual and an entity on the Committee's assets-freeze and transfer list (see S/2004/1036).
7. The Committee invited Ambassador Surood Najeeb, Chief of the International Conferences and Cooperation Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Iraq, to its informal consultations on 14 October, at which he briefed members about his Government's position on the de-listing of individuals and entities from the Committee's assets-freeze and transfer list and on the re-constitution of the funds of

de-listed individuals and entities. At the meeting, Ambassador Najeeb and the members also discussed a letter from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee, dated 12 August 2005, listing funds transferred by States to the Development Fund for Iraq by States in accordance with Security Council resolution 1483 (2003).

8. At its informal consultations on 12 December, the Chairman briefed the Committee on his travel to Basel, Switzerland, where he, in his capacity as Chairman of the Committee and upon an invitation from the Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein, attended a handover ceremony of an aircraft to Iraq on 5 December. Also at that meeting, the Committee discussed a letter from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee, dated 1 December, containing the position of the Government of Iraq on the Committee's draft de-listing guidelines. On 14 December, the Committee adopted its de-listing guidelines.

9. During the reporting period, the Committee updated its assets-freeze list twice, adding the names of seven individuals to the list in accordance with Security Council resolution 1518 (2003).
