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Letter dated 23 December 2013 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 19 December 2013 ([S/2013/753](#)) concerning the intended mandate and functions of the United Nations Office for West Africa (UNOWA) has been brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

The members of the Security Council concur with the recommendation contained in your twelfth report on UNOWA ([S/2013/732](#)) to extend its mandate for a further period of three years, from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2016. The members of the Council request that you report to the Council every six months on the fulfilment by UNOWA of its mandate.

(Signed) Gérard Araud
President of the Security Council

