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

In my capacity as President of the Security Council, I am forwarding to you a letter dated 14 December 2017, from the Chair of the Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict, established by the Security Council in its resolution [1612 \(2005\)](#), based on the Working Group's conclusions adopted on 15 November 2017 ([S/AC.51/2017/5](#)) (see annex).

(Signed) Koro **Bessho**
President of the Security Council



Annex

Letter dated 14 December 2017 from the Chair of the Working Group of the Security Council on Children and Armed Conflict addressed to the Secretary-General

At its 67th meeting, on 3 August 2017, the Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict examined the first report of the Secretary-General on children and armed conflict in Nigeria (S/2017/304), covering the period from January 2013 to December 2016. At its 68th meeting, on 15 November 2017, the Working Group adopted its conclusions on children and armed conflict in Nigeria (S/AC.51/2017/5).

In follow-up to the recommendations of the Working Group and subject to and consistent with applicable international law and relevant Security Council resolutions, including resolutions 1612 (2005), 1882 (2009), 1998 (2011), 2068 (2012), 2143 (2014) and 2255 (2015), I am entrusted, in my capacity as Chair of the Working Group, with:

(a) Inviting you to ensure that the United Nations country task force on monitoring and reporting strengthens its monitoring and reporting activities;

(b) Requesting you to ensure that the United Nations country task force on monitoring and reporting continues its ongoing work and advocacy for the release and reintegration of children associated with armed groups and armed forces and continues its engagement with the Civilian Joint Task Force to develop and sign an action plan to end and prevent the recruitment and use of children.

(Signed) Olof **Skoog**
Chair
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