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**Letter dated 2 May 2002 from the Secretary-General to
the President of the Security Council**

As indicated in my letter of 1 May 2002 to you, and in the continued absence of the necessary cooperation from the Government of Israel, I am today disbanding the fact-finding team. I am communicating this decision to Mr. Ahtisaari and his team, as well as to the Government of Israel and the Palestinian Authority.

I would like to express my deep appreciation to President Ahtisaari, Mrs. Ogata, Mr. Sommaruga and all the members of the team for their efforts to support my actions intended to implement resolution 1405 (2002). I have every confidence that the team would have conducted itself in a professional and fair manner in producing the report requested by the Council. But I share fully their assessment that, without the full cooperation of both parties and a visit to the area, it would not be possible to produce an accurate, credible, thorough and balanced report on the recent events in the Jenin refugee camp.

(Signed) Kofi A. **Annan**