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Letter dated 12 July 2002 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 9 July 2002 (S/2002/762) concerning the extension of the mandate of the Expert Panel on the Illegal Exploitation of Natural Resources and Other Forms of Wealth of the Democratic Republic of the Congo has been brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council. They take note of your recommendation that the Panel's mandate be extended until 31 October 2002 to enable it to finalize its work before the end of October 2002.

(Signed) **Jeremy Greenstock**
President of the Security Council
