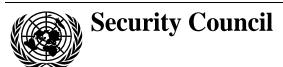
United Nations S/2002/951



Distr.: General 26 August 2002

Original: English

## Letter dated 22 August 2002 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to resolution 1425 (2002), adopted by the Security Council on 22 July 2002, concerning Somalia. Paragraph 3 of the resolution requests that I establish within one month from the date of its adoption a Panel of Experts consisting of three members, to be based in Nairobi for a period of six months. Its purpose would be to generate independent information on violations of the arms embargo on Somalia and to provide recommendations on possible practical steps and measures for implementing it.

Accordingly, I wish to inform you that, after consultation with the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia, I have appointed the following experts:

Mr. Ernst Jan Hogendoorn (Netherlands)

Mr. Mohamed Abdoulaye M'Backe (Senegal)

Mr. Brynjulf Mugaas (Norway)

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kofi A. Annan