

**Security Council**

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**Letter dated 23 April 2003 from the President of the
Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General**

I have the honour to inform you that the members of the Security Council received your letter of 16 April 2003 conveying the communication of the same date from the Secretary-General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) regarding the North Atlantic Council decision of 16 April 2003 to continue and enhance NATO support to the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) as established under Security Council resolutions 1386 (2001), 1413 (2002) and 1444 (2002).

The members of the Council took note that increased involvement by NATO would be within the context of the United Nations mandate of ISAF and that the alliance would operate according to current and future Security Council resolutions, and in close consultation with the Afghan Interim Authority, as well as with the Special Representative of the Secretary-General. They also noted that formal reporting requirements to the Council would be met.

(Signed) **Adolfo Aguilar Zinser**
President of the Security Council