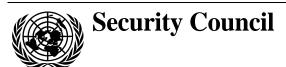
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I have the honour to refer to resolutions 2056 (2012) and 2071 (2012), in which the Security Council requests me to develop and implement, in consultation with regional organizations, a United Nations integrated strategy for the Sahel region.

In view of the need further to revise the draft strategy that has been prepared by the relevant United Nations entities in order to include more detailed actions, I should like to request that the submission to the Security Council of the report on the situation in the Sahel should be deferred until 14 June 2013.

(Signed) BAN Ki-moon



