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Letter dated 13 October 2013 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to my letter of 7 October 2013 ([S/2013/591](#)), in which I proposed the establishment of an Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)-United Nations Joint Mission to eliminate the chemical weapons programme of the Syrian Arab Republic and the appointment of a civilian Special Coordinator at the level of Under-Secretary-General. I also have the honour to refer to your letter of 11 October 2013 ([S/2013/603](#)) authorizing the establishment of the OPCW-United Nations Joint Mission.

Following the usual consultations and in close consultation with the Director-General of OPCW, Mr. Ahmet Üzümcü, I would like to inform you of my intention to appoint Ms. Sigrid Kaag (Netherlands) to the post of Special Coordinator of the OPCW-United Nations Joint Mission. Ms. Kaag is currently serving as my Assistant Secretary-General and Assistant Administrator and Director of the Partnerships Bureau of the United Nations Development Programme.

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

(Signed) **BAN** Ki-moon

