

**Security Council**

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Letter dated 28 December 2013 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution [2132 \(2013\)](#) of 24 December 2013 by which the Council authorized me to take the necessary steps to facilitate inter-mission cooperation and, if needed and subject to further Council consideration, complementary force and asset generation in order to temporarily increase the overall force levels of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) to 12,500 troops of all ranks and a police component, including appropriate Formed Police Units, of up to 1,323 to support the implementation of the UNMISS protection mandate and provision of humanitarian assistance.

In resolution [2132 \(2013\)](#), the Security Council authorized the appropriate transfer, on a temporary basis of troops, force enablers and multipliers from other missions, in particular the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO), the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID), the United Nations Interim Security Force in Abyei (UNISFA), the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI) and the United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL), subject to the agreement of the troop-contributing countries and without prejudice to the performance of the mandates of these United Nations missions.

I wish to inform the Security Council that the Secretariat has taken every measure to generate the required forces and assets from existing missions without prejudice to their performance. I should like to notify the Council that it has become necessary to generate forces and assets in addition to inter-mission cooperation. These forces would include two attack helicopters, one level II medical unit and an additional 500 troops to comprise a battalion-strength unit to be transferred from the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) to UNMISS. The financial implications of the deployment of these elements will be circulated to the Security Council shortly.

I would be grateful if you could bring the present letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council at the earliest opportunity.

(Signed) **BAN Ki-moon**

