



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL


11 March 2011

Excellency,

I would like to thank you for your letter dated 17 February 2011 in which you informed me that the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) would continue to provide strategic air and marine lift support to the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) until 16 January 2012.

I am pleased that NATO positively responded to this request for support from the African Union, particularly as 2011 will be a critical year in Somalia due to the end of the transitional period. I have asked my Department of Field Support and the United Nations Support Office for AMISOM to continue to closely cooperate with your Organization in this regard.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.


BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency
Mr. Anders Fogh Rasmussen
Secretary General
North Atlantic Treaty Organization
Brussels



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11 March 2011

Dear Ms. Lemos-Maniati,

The Secretary-General should be grateful if you would kindly forward the enclosed letter to His Excellency Mr. Anders Fogh Rasmussen, Secretary General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

A copy of the letter is attached for your information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vijay Nambiar'.

Vijay Nambiar
Chef de Cabinet

Ms. Eirini Lemos-Maniati
Civilian Liaison Officer of the
North Atlantic Treaty Organization
to the United Nations
New York



To: Mr. Nambiar,

Please find attached for your approval and SG's signature a letter addressed to Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen of NATO thanking him for NATO's continued strategic air and marine lift support AMISOM until 16 January 2012.

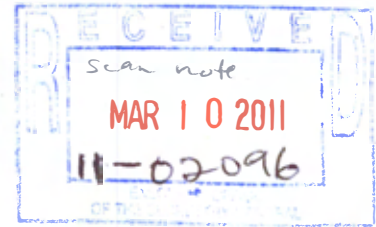
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Nicholas Haysom
11 March 2011

Cc: KWS

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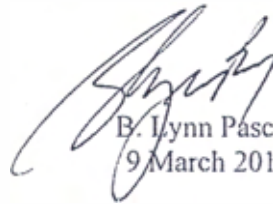


Note to Mr. Nambiar

LETTER TO NATO

Please find attached a draft letter, for the Secretary-General's consideration and approval, to Mr. Anders Fogh Rasmussen, Secretary General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). Mr. Rasmussen wrote to the Secretary-General in February 2011 (also attached) informing him that NATO would continue to provide strategic air and marine lift support to the African Union Mission in Somalia until 16 January 2012

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B. Lynn Pascoe
9 March 2011

cc: Ms. Malcorra

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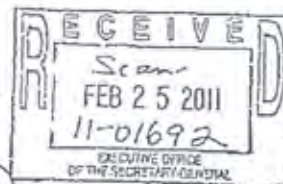
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SECRETARY GENERAL
LE SECRÉTAIRE GÉNÉRAL
Anders Fogh Rasmussen



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17 February 2011

Your Excellency,

I am pleased to inform you that on 4 February 2011, the North Atlantic Council agreed that NATO should continue to provide strategic air and maritime lift support to the African Union Mission in Somalia, as requested by the African Union Commission on 25 January 2011.

This continued NATO support is authorised for a further period of twelve months, ending 16 January 2012. This support will be offered in response to specific requirements communicated by the African Union

NATO looks forward to continued close co-operation with the United Nations in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

Anders Fogh Rasmussen

His Excellency
Mr. Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General
United Nations Headquarters
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