Letter dated 22 December 2008 from the President of the Security Council to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 10 December 2008 (S/2008/777) concerning your proposal that the current mandate of the United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office in Guinea-Bissau (UNOGBIS), which expires on 31 December 2008, be revised and extended, has been brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

The members of the Security Council take note of the information and proposal contained in your letter and have decided that the mandate of UNOGBIS should be extended until 30 June 2009. The members of the Council also acknowledge the need to establish an integrated United Nations Office in Guinea-Bissau, as recommended in the statement made by the President of the Council on 15 October 2008 (S/PRST/2008/37) and look forward to your recommendations in this regard, which they would appreciate receiving by 15 June 2009.

(Signed) Neven Jurica
President of the Security Council