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Extension of the appointment of the Vice Secretary-General

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 The Council, at its thirty-second extraordinary session, held in Geneva on March 27, 2015, extended the appointment of the Vice Secretary-General, Mr. Peter John Button, from December 1, 2015, until November 30, 2018 (see document C(Extr.)/32/9 “Report on the Decisions”, paragraph 7).

 In light of the performance of the Vice Secretary‑General, after consultation with the President of the Council, and in accordance with past practice, the Secretary-General recommends the extension of the appointment of the Vice Secretary-General until November 30, 2021. A report on the conclusions of the Consultative Committee, at its ninety-fourth session, to be held in Geneva on October 25, 2017, concerning the above recommendation will be made to the Council, at its fifty-first ordinary session, to be held in Geneva on October 26, 2017 (see document C/51/18 “Report by the President on the work of the ninety-fourth session of the Consultative Committee; adoption of recommendations, if any, prepared by that Committee”).

 *The Council is invited to extend the appointment of the Vice Secretary‑General from December 1, 2018, until November 30, 2021.*

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