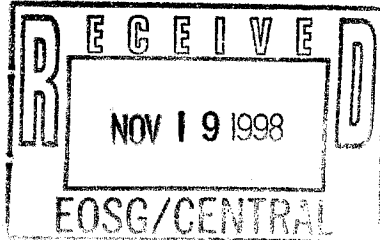




THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Rwanda



18 November 1998

Dear Mr. President,

I have the honour to refer to resolution 1161 (1998) of 9 April 1998, by which the Security Council requested me to reactivate the International Commission of Inquiry (Rwanda) and to submit an interim report to the Council on the initial conclusions of the Commission within three months of its reactivation, to be followed by a final report containing its recommendations three months later.

By a letter dated 27 May 1998 (S/1998/438), I informed the President of the Security Council that I had reactivated the International Commission of Inquiry and reported on its composition. The Commission's interim report was submitted on 19 August 1998 in document S/1998/777 and annex.

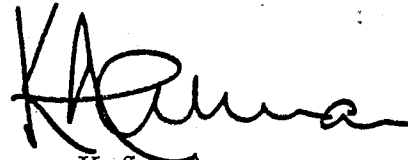
The purpose of the present letter is to transmit to the Council the final report of the International Commission of Inquiry. As requested by the Council, the report contains the Commission's conclusions, as well as its recommendations regarding possible measures to curb the illegal flow of arms in the Great Lakes region.

In accordance with resolution 1161 (1998), the International Commission was financed by a Trust Fund. I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the Governments which have contributed to the Fund.

His Excellency
Mr. Peter Burleigh
President of the Security Council
New York

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

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my highest
consideration.



Kofi A. Annan