

Donmark Yugoslavia



29 June 1999

Excellency,

Since the adoption of Security Council resolution 1244 on 10 June, the United Nations has been moving rapidly to fulfil the responsibilities entrusted to it in Kosovo. The United Nations Interim Administrative Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) has been established and is in the process of deploying to the field, in close cooperation with other organizations participating in the international civil and security presence.

As indicated in my report to the Security Council on 12 June 1999, it has been my intention to consult regularly with Governments and organizations who are in a position to assist me in the implementation of resolution 1244. For this purpose, I have decided to form a consultative group, to be known as the "Friends of the Secretary-General for Kosovo". The attachment shows the provisional composition of this group.

His Excellency
Mr. Niels Helveg Petersen
Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark
Copenhagen

I have decided to convene a meeting at Foreign Minister-level of this Group on Wednesday, 30 June 1999, from 0800 to 1200 hours at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

It is my privilege to invite you, or a designated senior representative, accompanied by two advisers, to participate in this meeting. I would be grateful for your confirmation at your earliest convenience.

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

Kofi A. Annan

FRIENDS OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR KOSOVO

(Provisional List - 29 June 1999)

Governments

Canada

China

Denmark

France

Germany

Greece

Italy

Japan

Netherlands

Russia

Turkey

United Kingdom

United States

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

European Union *
Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe
Organization of the Islamic Conference

^{*} Finland as President-designate.