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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am writing you to submit my resignation from my position as Ombudsperson to the Security Council's ISIL (Daesh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee, to which you appointed me on 24 May 2018. Under resolution 2368 (2017), the current mandate of the Ombudsperson expires on 17 December 2021.

It has been a great honor to serve in this important function these last three years and to make a humble contribution to the fairness, due process and transparency of the United Nations Security Council sanctions system. I thank you for the trust you placed in me, which I hope I have justified with my work to date.

I am grateful for the administrative support I have received from the SCSOB Branch over the last three years, and especially for the great work done by my collaborators Laura Bianchi, Georg Kerschischnig, Leah Campbell and Natacha Wexels-Riser.

I am delighted to confirm that the Ombudsperson mandate continues to represent an effective review mechanism for Security Council targeted sanctions.

However, like each of my predecessors, I regret that it has not proven possible to create an institutionally independent Office and to grant the Ombudsperson the contractual arrangements appropriate for the function, its status and its independence. Combined with my personal situation, the latter unfortunately means that I am unable to continue in my role beyond the end of the resolution. Regrettably, I have no choice but to resign from the mandate as of 17 December 2021. I sincerely hope that my successor can be offered a suitable status and contract.

Please rest assured that I will do everything in my power to ensure a seamless transition.

With hope for your understanding and the greatest respect for you personally and for the task you have to fulfill,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'DKF'.

Daniel Kipfer Fasciati
Ombudsperson

ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee

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