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SECRETARY-GENERAL SADDENED AT DEATH OF FORMER SWEDISH AMBASSADOR GUNNAR JARRING

The following statement was issued today by the Office of the Spokesman for Secretary-General Kofi Annan:

The Secretary-General was saddened to learn of the death of Gunnar Jarring, the Swedish diplomat and veteran of United Nations affairs. Mr. Jarring's career on the international stage spanned almost half a century. He served as Sweden's Ambassador to the United Nations during the 1950s, and as [Special Envoy](#) of the United Nations Secretary-General on the Middle East from [1967](#) to [1990](#). Mr. Jarring was known for his unflinching honesty, integrity, and discretion, as well as his exceptional powers of analysis and persuasion. The Secretary-General expresses his condolences to Mr. Jarring's family, as well as to the Government of Sweden, and adds that Mr. Jarring's legacy will live on as a shining example of the best and most selfless kind of international service.

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