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SECRETARY-GENERAL WELCOMES STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT BUSH
ON PRESENTATION OF 'ROAD MAP' TO ISRAELIS, PALESTINIANS

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

The Secretary-General welcomes the [statement by President Bush](#) this morning that the [Road Map](#) of the Quartet will be presented to the Israelis and Palestinians once the Palestinian Prime Minister has been confirmed in office. Since December 2002, the Secretary-General has been pressing for the Road Map to be adopted and presented to the parties as soon as possible.

The Secretary-General urges that, once the Road Map has been presented, its implementation by the parties will be pursued with persistence and determination.

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