Appointment of new Principal Deputy High Representative

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In welcoming the appointment of General Jacques Klein as the new Principal Deputy High Representative in the Hague today the High Representative <u>Carlos Westendorp</u> made the following statement:

"When I asked the United States Government to nominate a candidate for the position of Principal Deputy High Representative I asked for someone who had recent experience in the region and who had already been engaged with some of the key personalities. The United States Government offered me just such a man in Jacques Klein and I warmly welcome him on to my staff. As I wanted he will bring with him considerable knowledge of the politics of the area through his experience and outstanding work as head of the United Nations Transitional Administration in Eastern Slavonia. I look forward very much to working with him in the months ahead."

N.B: The official announcement of the appointment will be made in the UN at midday in New York.