

Statement Attributable to the Spokesperson of the Secretary-General on the Special Tribunal for Lebanon

29 April 2008 -

Robin Vincent yesterday commenced his duties as Registrar of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. He was appointed by the Secretary-General on 10 March 2008 and is the first official of the Special Tribunal to take up his functions.

Mr. Vincent will work in close consultation with the Special Tribunal's Management Committee and the United Nations Secretariat to take the steps necessary for the Tribunal to be established in a timely manner, in accordance with Security Council resolution 1757 (2007). He will initially concentrate his activities on preparing the premises of the Tribunal, coordinating the transition between the International Independent Investigative Commission and the Tribunal, recruiting core staff, and finalizing the Tribunal's budget.