



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
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27 May, 2014

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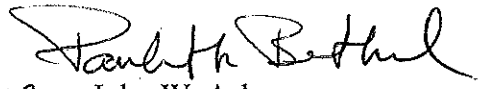
I have the honour to forward herewith a letter from H.E. Mr. Kingsley Mamabolo, Permanent Representative of South Africa, in his capacity as facilitator of the consultations on the draft resolution to establish the United Nations Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela Prize.

Upon the conclusion on 23 May, 2014 of informal consultations on the draft resolution, Ambassador Mamabolo informs that the text, as agreed ad referendum, is now under silent procedure for the next 48 hours, the deadline of which is Thursday, 29 May, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

I thank all delegations for their active participation in and valuable contribution to the informal consultations.

I take this opportunity to extend also my thanks, and that of my Office, to Ambassador Mamabolo for ably facilitating the informal consultations on the draft resolution.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.


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Excellency

Draft Resolution on United Nations Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela Prize

Pursuant to your letter dated 31 January 2014 appointing me in my capacity as the Permanent Representative of South Africa to facilitate on your behalf consultations on the draft resolution to establish the United Nations Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela Prize, I hereby wish to inform you that I facilitated the total of two consultations with the Member States on 07 May 2014 and 23 May 2014.

On my last day of facilitation, Member States accepted all the paragraphs in the draft Resolution. However, Member States requested that it should be placed on a silence procedure for 48 hours. I therefore humbly request your Office, Your Excellency, to do the honours of putting the resolution (attached) on a silence procedure for 48 hours starting from 10:00am on 27 May 2014.

In the event that silence on the draft resolution is not broken, I will submit the draft resolution to you (President of the General Assembly) for adoption in the General Assembly in accordance with the relevant rules of procedure.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Ambassador Kingsley Mamabolo

To: His Excellency, Mr John W. Ashe
The President of the General Assembly
United Nations

**DRAFT RESOLUTION BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 64/13 of 10 November 2009, by which it inter alia designated 18 July as Nelson Mandela International Day, which is observed by the United Nations each year since 2010,

Commending the initiative of the President of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly to establish the United Nations Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela Prize,

Bearing in mind Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela's leading role in and support for Africa's struggle for liberation and Africa's unity, his outstanding contribution to the creation of a non-racial, non-sexist, democratic South Africa and his contribution to the struggle for democracy internationally and the promotion of a culture of peace throughout the world,

Bearing also in mind Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela's values and his dedication to the service of humanity, as a humanitarian, in the fields of conflict resolution, race relations, promotion and protection of human rights, reconciliation, gender equality and the rights of children and other vulnerable groups, as well as the upliftment of poor and underdeveloped communities,

Wishing to further honour and pay homage to the extraordinary life and legacy of Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela,

1. *Decides* to establish the United Nations Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela Prize, which will be honorary in nature, as a tribute to outstanding achievement and contribution by individuals to the purposes and principles of the United Nations;
2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the President of the General Assembly, to establish within six months after the adoption of this resolution, the criteria and procedures for bestowing this Prize, to be adopted by the General Assembly not later than 30 November 2014.