



Excellency,

Further to my latest letter dated 2 December 2015 on the same subject, I have the honour to transmit to you a memo from my recent meeting with H.E. Vitaly Churkin, Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations, and H.E. Matthew Rycroft, Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom to the United Nations.

In line with General Assembly resolution 69/321, and as part of my intention to carry out my mandate in a transparent and open manner, it is my goal to continue to keep Members informed about relevant meetings pertaining to the joint activity between the General Assembly and the Security Council in the selection and appointment process of the next Secretary-General.

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

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To all Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York

MEMO

Meeting between the President of the General Assembly and the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation and the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom, on 9 December 2015

The President of the General Assembly met on 9 December 2015 with H.E. Vitaly Churkin, the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations and H.E. Matthew Rycroft, the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom to the United Nations.

Regarding the selection and appointment process of the next Secretary-General, the participants discussed the draft joint letter from the Presidents of the General Assembly and the Security Council currently under consideration by the members of the Security Council. The President of the General Assembly (PGA) stressed the importance of moving the process forward swiftly, as Member States had requested in General Assembly resolution 69/321 and numerous statements and meetings with the PGA.

At the meeting, noting the consensus adoption of resolution 69/321, all agreed on the need for the outstanding issues in the text of the joint letter to be finalized. Discussions on the text of the joint letter were productive, and the participants at the meeting looked forward to the speedy conclusion of the drafting process of the joint letter.