

1 August 2017

Excellency,

For your information, I have the honour to transmit a memo from my recent meeting with the President of the Security Council for the month of August 2017, H.E. Mr. Amr Abdellatif Aboulatta, Permanent Representative of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the United Nations.

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

Peter Thomson

To All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York PGA Office Memo: Meeting between the President of the General Assembly and the upcoming President of the Security Council for the month of August 2017, the Permanent Representative of Arab Republic of Egypt, on 28 July 2017.

The President of the General Assembly met on 28 July 2017 with the upcoming President of the Security Council for the month of August 2017, H.E. Mr. Amr Abdellatif Aboulatta, Permanent Representative of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the United Nations.

The Permanent Representative of Arab Republic of Egypt briefed the President of the General Assembly (PGA) on the Security Council's provisional Programme of Work for August 2017. Some highlights from the monthly programme include adoption of resolution on preventing terrorists from acquiring weapons on 2 August 2017, briefing on cooperation between the United Nations and League of Arab States on 25 August 2017, an Open Debate on peacekeeping operations: sustaining peace on 29 August 2017 and adoption of resolutions related to mandates of AMISOM and UNIFIL on 30 August 2017.

The Permanent Representative further informed that the Council will also discuss other important issues, including on enhancing the effectiveness of UN sanctions and various issues on Middle East and Africa. At the end of its presidency, Egypt plans to convene the briefing on implementation of the Note S/2010/507.

The President of the General Assembly thanked the Permanent Representative of the Arab Republic of Egypt for his briefing. He raised with the Permanent Representative the status of the annual report of the Security Council. He reminded the Permanent Representative that in accordance with the UN Charter, the Council is required to submit to the GA for its consideration an annual report. The Council needs to submit to the 71st session its report covering the period of 1 August 2015 to 31 December 2016. In this regard the Permanent Representative of the Arab Republic of Egypt replied that the Council is currently in the process of finalizing the draft report and Egypt will take necessary follow up measures during its presidency.

The President of the General Assembly further informed the Permanent Representative on his upcoming activities including trip to Hong Kong and Sweden to talk about the Ocean Conference follow up, and also the preparation for the first week of September as the last week of the 71st session, which will include among others the High Level meetings on Habitat and Culture of Peace as well as meeting with member states on SDG implementation in the 71st session.

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