

10 April 2017

Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 16 February 2017, the General Assembly held an informal meeting on 22 February 2017 in order for the Secretary-General to consult Member States on the preparation of his report regarding the strengthening of the capability of the United Nations system to assist Member States in implementing the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy in a balanced manner, as requested in General Assembly resolution 70/291.

I have been informed by the Secretary-General that this report will be issued on 11 April 2017.

To better assist Member States in the preparation of their consideration of the report, I have extended an invitation to the Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs to brief Member States on the main points of the report immediately following its issuance.

I have instructed my Chef the Cabinet, Mr Tomas Anker Christensen, to chair this briefing which will take place on Wednesday 12 April at 10:00 a.m. in the ECOSOC Chamber. Please note that interpretation facilities will not be available.

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

Peter Thomson

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