The Protocol and Liaison Service of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) of the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations and has the honour to remind them of the following:

It is important that Permanent Missions frequently review the information published on the official website of the Protocol and Liaison Service of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) of the United Nations (https://protocol.un.org) regarding the Heads of State, Heads of Government, and Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States. Any changes in their details of should be officially and promptly communicated to the Chief of Protocol by letter, signed by the Permanent Representative. Such details include the exact spelling of the name of the respective official, his/her full title, name of spouse (if applicable), and the date of appointment. The telephone/telefax numbers and email addresses of the office(s) of the aforementioned officials should also be included.

Furthermore, Permanent Missions are requested to transmit complete lists of all Cabinet Ministers of their Governments to the Protocol and Liaison Service and to keep the office informed of any changes in these lists.

The information mentioned above is frequently used by the office of the Secretary-General and other United Nations offices around the world to send formal correspondence to Member States. It is also used by the Protocol and Liaison Service when producing accreditations, as well as by the General Assembly and the Security Council, for relevant official purposes such as the order of speaking lists. It is therefore critical that the Permanent Missions ensure that the information mentioned is updated immediately after any changes in governments have occurred. The Protocol and Liaison Service will only make changes to this list upon receipt of a letter from the Permanent Missions as mentioned above and cannot be held responsible for outdated information.

The Protocol and Liaison Service of the United Nations of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) of the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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