Excellency,

Further to my letter of 13 February 2007, regarding the upcoming informal consultations of the Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and other Matters related to the Security Council, I wish to draw your attention to the attached list of sub-items that Member States may find useful as reference tool during the consultations. A revised calendar of meetings is also enclosed.

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

Haya Rashed Al-Khalifa

All Permanent Representatives and
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New York
Informal Consultations of the
Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable
Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security
Council and other Matters related to the Security Council

List of Sub-items for Reference

1. The size of an enlarged Security Council
   a) General principle
   b) Specific numbers

2. Categories of Security Council membership
   a) Enlargement in both permanent and non-
      permanent
   b) Enlargement in non-permanent for the time being
   c) Enlargement in non-permanent only

3. The question of regional representation
   a) The level of representation by regional groups in the
      Council
   b) Permanent and non-permanent seats for particular
      regions; group of States or particular countries

4. The question of the veto
   a) The use of veto
   b) Transitional arrangement on the use of veto
   c) Curtailment/elimination of veto
d) Should veto be extended to new permanent members

e) Number of affirmative votes required in an enlarged Council (with/without new permanent members)


I. Working methods

a) Working methods as part of the broader Security Council reform debate

b) Scope of the discussion on the Security Council working methods

c) Improvements on the working methods and transparency of the work of the Security Council

d) Substantive reforms that can be made to the working methods

II. Relationship between Security Council and General Assembly

a) Considering the issues that are of interest for both the Security Council and the General Assembly and coordination thereof
Calendar of the Informal Consultations Meetings of the
Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the
Membership of the Security Council and other Matters related to the Security Council

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