



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

11 February 2010

Excellency,

In accordance with the established practice of briefing Member States of my periodic interactions with the President of the Security Council, I have the honour to inform you that I met with the President of the Council for the current month, H.E. Mr. Gérard Araud, Permanent Representative of France, on 9 February 2010.

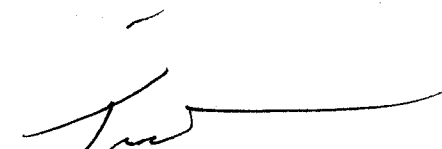
Ambassador Araud and I had a fruitful exchange of views on several important issues on the agenda of the two organs. Among other, I seized the opportunity to express my appreciation for the important role of the Security Council in addressing various peace and security issues in Africa.

With regard to the situation in the Middle East, we both agreed that progress on this matter is essential for peace and stability of the region, and I emphasized the urgent need for serious and concerted efforts, particularly by the Security Council, to relaunch the peace process in order to move towards an early settlement of the Palestinian question. We also agreed on the importance of promoting a diplomatic solution to the Iranian nuclear issue.

In addition, we exchanged ideas on how to strengthen the coordination and interaction between the General Assembly and the Security Council. I reiterated to the President of the Security Council the collective desire of the general membership for more qualitative and substantial annual reports of the Security Council. In this regard, I underscored the importance that the process of preparation and consideration of the report be made more inclusive and participatory in order to further enhance the effectiveness and legitimacy of the Council's activities. The President of the Security Council assured that he will convey this message to the Security Council. We agreed to continue consultations on this important issue.

I look forward to further productive exchanges with the President of the Security Council in accordance with resolution 60/286 and will continue to keep Member States informed of these consultations.

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



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