



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

4 August 2016

Excellency,

Please find attached letter dated 4 August 2016 from the Permanent Mission of Croatia conveying a letter from H.E. Ms. Vesna Pusić, Deputy Speaker of the Croatian Parliament, regarding the withdrawal of her candidature for the position of Secretary-General of the United Nations.

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Mogens Lykketoft', written in a cursive style.

Mogens Lykketoft

To All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York



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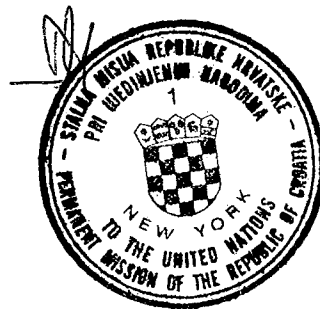
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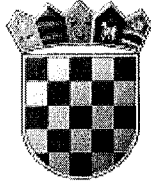
The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Croatia to the United Nations presents its compliments to His Excellency the President of the General Assembly Mr. Mogens Lykketoft and has the honor to include herewith a letter of Her Excellency Ms. Vesna Pusić, Deputy Speaker of the Croatian Parliament, regarding the withdrawal of her candidature for the position of Secretary-General of the United Nations.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Croatia to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the President of the General Assembly of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.



New York, 4 August 2016

***H.E. Mr. Mogens Lykketoft
President of the General Assembly
United Nations New York***



CROATIAN PARLIAMENT
DEPUTY SPEAKER

August 4, 2016

**H.E. Mr. Mogens Lykketoft, President of the General
Assembly Of the United Nations;**

**H.E. Mr. Ramlan Bin Ibrahim, President of the
Security Council**

Excellencies,

I am writing to thank you for the great opportunity to participate in the selection process for the next Secretary General of the United Nations.

It has been an exciting process which enabled the member states of the UN to get an insight into the candidates, their positions, and the qualifications and energy necessary for this extremely important job. It has also, in my opinion, attracted a number of highly qualified candidates. Finally, it has given all the candidates an opportunity to present themselves before a global audience – an exceptional privilege in itself.

However, since it became clear after the first round of voting of the UN Security Council that the selection has not gone in my direction, I would like to facilitate the continuation of this process by withdrawing my candidacy for the next Secretary General of the UN.

I am convinced that the UN will elect the next Secretary General who will be able to walk in the footsteps of all his/her predecessors.

Thank you once again for enabling this open and transparent process of selection, that also gave me the chance to take an active part in the race for one of the most important positions for building a more peaceful and people-friendly world.

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

Vesna Pusić