1 May 2017

Excellency,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter from the Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations on Security Council reform (IGN), H.E. Mr. Ion Jinga, Permanent Representative of Romania and H.E. Mr. Mohamed Khaled Khiari, Permanent Representative of Tunisia, confirming that the next meetings of the IGN will be held on 8 and 9 May 2017.

I look forward to your continuing active participation and constructive engagement in the forthcoming meetings.

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

[Signature]

Peter Thomson

To All Permanent Representatives
to the United Nations
New York
Excellency,

Following the meetings of the IGN on 3-4 April 2017, at which Member States discussed the two issues of (i) regional representation and (ii) size of an enlarged Security Council, and pursuant to our letter dated 23 March 2017, we would like to kindly remind member states that the next meetings of the IGN will be held on 8 and 9 May 2017.

The meeting on 8 May will provide an opportunity for member states to have an in-depth discussion on the linkages between three issues, namely (i) regional representation, (ii) size of an enlarged Security Council and (iii) categories of membership. Delegations are kindly encouraged to limit their interventions to 3 minutes for individual member states and 5 minutes for the Groups of states.

The meeting on 9 May will be dedicated to an interactive session for member states. In this respect, we will be circulating shortly a revised version of "food for thought elements" that were presented for the 3-4 April meetings, on which member states are kindly invited to further comment.

The topic for subsequent meeting in June will be announced in advance to afford delegations sufficient time to prepare.

We are grateful for the continued support from delegations and we continue to encourage delegations to maintain consultations with one another, to find ways of bringing positions closer. We remain at your disposal should your delegation wish to engage on any aspects before our next meeting.

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

H.E. Mr. Mohamed Khaled Khiari  
Permanent Representative of Tunisia  
Co-Chair, IGN 71st Session

H.E. Dr. Ion Jinga  
Permanent Representative of Romania  
Co-Chair, IGN 71st Session

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