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Excellency,

I would like to refer to General Assembly resolution 68/1 of 20 September 2013 entitled "Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council". In its paragraph 4, Member States decided that the arrangements contained in the resolution and its annex will be reviewed at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly.

This review process offers an opportunity for Member States to strengthen ECOSOC's role in support of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development and to further enhance the Council's ability to advance the integration of the three dimensions of sustainable development.

Following consultations with Member States, I have decided to appoint H.E. Mr. Einar Gunnarsson, Permanent Representative of Iceland and H.E. Ms. Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani, Permanent Representative of Qatar as co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations on the review process.

I would like to thank Ambassadors Gunnarsson and Al-Thani for having accepted this important responsibility and I trust you will extend your full support to them throughout the process.

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

Miroslav Lajčák

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