



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

14 February 2018

Excellency,

In order to strengthen the accountability, transparency and institutional memory of the Office of the President of the General Assembly, for your information, I have the honour to transmit a memo from my meeting with the President of the Security Council for the month of February 2018, H.E. Mr. Mansour Ayyad Sh. A. Alotaibi, Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait to the United Nations.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Lajčák', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Miroslav Lajčák

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

PGA Office Memo: Meeting between the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council for the month of February 2018, the Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait on 5 February 2018

The President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Miroslav Lajčák, met on 5 February 2018 with the President of the Security Council for the month of February, H.E. Mr. Mansour Ayyad Sh. A. Alotaibi, Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait to the United Nations.

The Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait briefed the President of the General Assembly (PGA) on the Security Council's programme of work for the month of February 2018. H.E. Mr. Mansour Ayyad Sh. A. Alotaibi highlighted the open debate on the Council's working methods Kuwait is planning to organize during its presidency. Another important event in Council's programme of work will be a ministerial-level briefing on the purposes and principles of the UN Charter in the maintenance of international peace and security. The focus on counter-terrorism activities will be maintained by holding two briefings in February - on UN counter-terrorism efforts against Daesh and on a report from the 1373 Counter-Terrorism Committee on the implementation of resolution 2341 (2017) concerning critical infrastructure. The African and Middle East issues will also be considered, in both cases formal and informal gatherings of the Council are envisaged.

The PGA thanked the Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait for his briefing and in return highlighted activities of the General Assembly planned for the month of February 2018. By the time of the meeting on 5 February 2018, the Intergovernmental Negotiations on Security Council reform have already been resumed. The Ad Hoc Working Group on the revitalization of the General Assembly will begin its work with a general debate on 20 February. On that day, the General Assembly will also begin negotiations on the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration. The co-facilitators H.E. Mr. Juan Jose Gómez Camacho, Permanent Representative of Mexico and H.E. Mr. Jürg Lauber, Permanent Representative of Switzerland, presented the zero draft on 5 February 2018. Within the framework of modalities for the intergovernmental negotiations of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, the PGA will convene the fourth informal interactive multi-stakeholder hearing as part of the preparatory process on 21 February 2018 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

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