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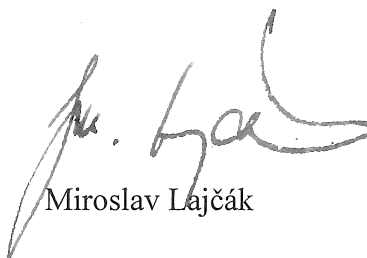
31 May 2018

Excellency,

I have the pleasure to transmit herewith a letter, dated 30 May 2018, from H.E. Ms. Alya Ahmed S. Al Thani, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the State of Qatar and H.E. Mr. Einar Gunnarsson, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Iceland, Co-Facilitators of the ECOSOC review process, in accordance with Resolution 68/1 entitled “Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council”.

The co-facilitators are convening the next informal meetings on Monday, 4 June, at 3:00 pm in Conference Room 7 and Wednesday, 13 June, at 10:00 am and 3:00 pm in the ECOSOC Chamber.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Lajčák', written in a cursive style.

Miroslav Lajčák

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



30 May 2018

Excellency,

We wish to invite you to the eighth and ninth informal consultations on the review of General Assembly resolution 68/1 on the strengthening of ECOSOC on Monday, 4 June, at 3 pm in Conference Room 7 and Wednesday, 13 June, at 10 am and 3 pm in the ECOSOC Chamber.

As announced during our last meeting on 29 May, the informal consultations on 4 June are being convened in lieu of the previously scheduled informal consultations on 1 June, which are now cancelled.

We wish to thank delegations for their participation at our last meeting, where we heard some initial views after having presented the revised zero draft resolution conveyed in our letter of 25 May.

During the meeting on 4 June, we wish to first seek your guidance through your general comments and feedback. We then propose to also conduct a substantive reading of the revised draft to seek your specific guidance on its contents. We look forward to hearing your feedback and views.

We also continue to seek your ideas and proposals. In light of the changes to our meeting schedule, and as also announced at our last meeting, we wish to extend the date for receiving additional written comments. We kindly request that they be received by our respective teams (Mr. Ahmad Al-Kuwari at ahalkuwari@mofa.gov.qa and Mr. Thorvardur Thórsson at th@mfa.is) by Tuesday 5 June.

We believe we have made significant progress. With your guidance, it is our aim to continue to progress and conclude our consultations with agreement on our outcome document by 15 June.

We wish to thank you for your continued constructive engagement and look forward to seeing you on 4 June.

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

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