

31 August 2020

<u>Subject:</u> Draft decision entitled "Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council" (A/74/L.88)

Excellency,

Sequel to my letter dated 26 August 2020, in accordance with General Assembly decision 74/544 of 27 March 2020 entitled "Procedure for taking decisions of the General Assembly during the Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic" and decision 74/561 of 21 July 2020 entitled "Extension of the procedure for taking decisions of the General Assembly during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic until the end of August 2020", placing under silence procedure the draft decision entitled "Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council", issued as document A/74/L.88, until 31 August 2020 at 5:00 p.m., it is my pleasure to inform you that the silence procedure has concluded without objections.

Accordingly, the decision is considered adopted by the General Assembly as decision 74/569 and is in effect from 5:01 p.m. today, Monday, 31 August 2020. The General Assembly will take note of decision 74/569 at its upcoming plenary meeting to be held at the United Nations Headquarters.

Also find enclosed, the explanation of position received regarding this decision.

I avail of this opportunity to express my solidarity with Member States who are fighting COVID-19 and extend my sincere condolences for their loss.

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

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