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Excellency,

Reference is made to our letter dated 15 July 2020 informing of our decision to appoint H.E. Mr. Craig John Hawke, Permanent Representative of New Zealand and H.E. Ms. Inga Rhonda King, Permanent Representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, to co-facilitate the intergovernmental consultations during the formal phase of the review of the United Nations Peacebuilding Architecture.

It is our pleasure to forward herewith, a letter from the co-facilitators regarding the review process.

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

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Tijjani Muhammad-Bande  
President of the General Assembly

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Abou Abarry  
President of the Security Council

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1 September 2020

H.E. Mr. Tijjani Muhammad-Bande  
President of the General Assembly  
United Nations  
**New York**

H.E. Mr. Abdou Abarry  
President of the Security Council  
Permanent Mission of the Republic of Niger to the United Nations  
**New York**

Dear Excellencies

This year marks the fifteenth anniversary of the creation of the United Nations peacebuilding architecture. In resolutions A/RES/70/262 and S/RES/2282 (2016), the General Assembly and the Security Council called for a “comprehensive review of United Nations peacebuilding” to be conducted during the 74th session of the General Assembly. In resolutions A/RES/72/276 and S/RES/2413 (2018), the Assembly and Council requested the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, at its 74th session, “a detailed report in connection with the next comprehensive review of the peacebuilding architecture, focusing on continued implementation of resolution 70/262, and progress in the implementation of the recommendations and options contained in his report on peacebuilding and sustaining peace”.

In your joint letter dated 31 October 2019, the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council launched the review process, noting that it should be based on the Terms of Reference suggested by the Peacebuilding Commission after extensive and inclusive consultations with Member States. The first, and informal, phase of the review process was concluded on 31 August 2020 and provided analysis and recommendations from a broad range of stakeholders<sup>1</sup> for the consideration of Member States during the second, formal, phase which is scheduled to begin today, and for the consideration of the Secretary-General in the drafting of his report on Peacebuilding and Sustaining Peace. The report, an unedited version of which was circulated in late July, will be officially released in the coming days and will be the main substantive input in the second phase of the review.

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<sup>1</sup> The informal phase consisted of three separate tracks: an intergovernmental track, led by the Peacebuilding Commission, which convened meetings open to all Member States; inputs from a group of independent eminent persons nominated by the Secretary-General; and inputs from regional and thematic consultations which brought together Member States, civil society organizations, think tanks, etc.

In accordance with the Terms of Reference, the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council appointed us on 15 July 2020 to co-facilitate the intergovernmental consultations that will take place during the second phase of the review. It is our intention to facilitate an inclusive and consultative process aimed at generating agreed recommendations, in the form of a zero draft of new twin resolutions, for the consideration of the Assembly and the Council before the end of the main part of the seventy-fifth session, as per decision A/74/564 of the General Assembly.

In line with our mandate, we look forward to engaging with you throughout this process. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us personally at any time, or with our experts Ms. Jikita de Schot ([Jikita.deSchot@mfat.govt.nz](mailto:Jikita.deSchot@mfat.govt.nz)) and Mr. Ellis Phillips ([ellisphillips@svgmission.org](mailto:ellisphillips@svgmission.org)).

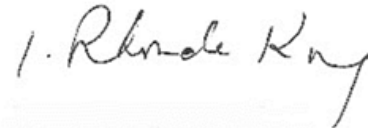
We count on the active participation and support of Member States in this important process; and would be most grateful if you could please bring this letter to their attention.

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

Yours sincerely,



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**H.E. Mr. Craig J. Hawke**  
Permanent Representative of New Zealand  
to the United Nations



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