



21 April 2021

Excellency,

I have the honour to transmit a letter dated 20 April 2021 from H.E. Ms. Egriselda Aracely González López, Permanent Representative of El Salvador, and H.E. Mr. Michal Mlynár, Permanent Representative of Slovakia, the co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group (AHWG) on Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly, regarding the thematic debate on *the selection and appointment of the Secretary-General and other executive heads*.

The meeting, to be held on Friday, 23 April 2021, will be virtual and hosted on the remote simultaneous interpretation platform Interprety, as well as being webcast in all six official languages.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Volkan Bozkir", is written above the printed name.

Volkan BOZKIR

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New York



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OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

20 April 2021

Excellency,

We have the honour to address you in our capacity as Co-chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly (AHWG) during the 75th Session of the General Assembly.

As indicated in our letters of 3 February and 22 February 2021, the **thematic debate on the selection and appointment of the Secretary-General and other executive heads will be held on Friday 23 April 2021 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. (if necessary)**. The meeting will be hosted on the remote simultaneous interpretation platform *Interprefy* and also streamed on UN Webcast in all six UN official languages.

In accordance with resolution 73/341, which was reaffirmed in resolution 74/303, this thematic debate will focus on the assessment of the selection and appointment process of the Secretary-General, consolidate the advances gained in the relevant Assembly resolutions and explore possible steps to further improve the process, including the collaboration between the Assembly and the Security Council, consistent with article 97 of the United Nations Charter. According to paragraph 50 of resolution 73/341, the thematic debate will feature a briefing from the Office of Human Resources of the Secretariat on the gender and geographical balance of the executive heads of the United Nations system and the Senior Management Group of the Organization, as well as with a breakdown showing those originating from the States that are permanent members of the Security Council.

The briefing will be followed by a question-and-answer segment, and after this interactive exchange, delegations will have the opportunity to deliver general statements.

Delegations wishing to take the floor are kindly requested to send an e-mail to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail: [galindo@un.org](mailto:galindo@un.org)) indicating in which segment they would like to speak.

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Links to the *Interprefy* platform, as well as to UN Webcast, will be sent to all delegations prior to the meeting. It is up to individual delegations to decide if they wish to join the meeting on the *Interprefy* platform or to follow the proceedings on UN Webcast or both (The *Interprefy* platform has sufficient capacity available for all delegations to join the meeting.)

In view of the limited time of the thematic debates, we kindly suggest to delegations to limit their statements to 5 minutes, with the exception of statements made on behalf of a group of delegations, which can be extended to 7 minutes. To facilitate interpretation, delegations are kindly requested to email their statements to [estatements@un.org](mailto:estatements@un.org) at least 1 hour in advance of their delivery indicating the title of the AHWG in the subject line.

In order to facilitate smooth proceedings, test calls will be possible on the *Interprefy* platform from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. We would be grateful if delegates sign on early to make sure everything is working technically well before the meeting begins. Kindly bear in mind that audio quality is highly important for interpreters, for which it is recommendable to use appropriate headsets with microphones and good bandwidth connection when making statements during the meeting.

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



Egriselda López  
Ambassador

Permanent Representative of El Salvador  
to the United Nations



Michal Mlynár  
Ambassador

Permanent Representative of Slovakia  
to the United Nations