

16 June 2021

Excellency,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, a letter from H.E. Ms. Inga Rhonda King, Permanent Representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to the United Nations on behalf of L.69 regarding agenda item 127 "Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council" dated 15 June 2021.

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

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H.E. Mr. Volkan Bozkir, President of the United Nations General Assembly

H.E. Mr. Antonio Guterres, Secretary-General United Nations

Excellencies,

It is my honour to address you on behalf of the L.69 group in response to the letter of the President of the General Assembly dated 11 June, 2021, whereby submission of a draft oral decision was made to Member States under agenda item 127 "Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council".

In this regard, while thankful for the efforts of the President of the General Assembly, we are obliged to note that the draft Oral Decision in question does not address some legitimate concerns expressed by our group in relation to the intergovernmental negotiations on Security Council reform (IGN). The draft, as it stands, does not adequately reflect the progress achieved during the five rounds of the IGN held this year under the leadership of the Co-Chairs, H.E. Ms. Joanna Wronecka, Permanent Representative of Poland to the United Nations, and H. E. Ms. Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani, Permanent Representative of the State of Qatar.

The L.69 group therefore wishes to convey support for the amendments to the draft Oral Decision as proposed for tabling by the G4- Brazil, Germany, India and Japan- in accordance with the provisions of Rule 78 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly. The amendments are as follows:

- Include, at the end of paragraph 1, the following: "(...) and the commitment of Heads of State and Government representing the peoples of the world to "instill new life in the discussion of the reform of the Security Council"".
- On paragraph 2, on the eighth line, delete "and" and include "based on"; on the tenth line, replace "as well as" by "and informed by"; and, on the twelfth and last line, delete the following sentence: "to help to inform its future work".

Your kind assistance would be appreciated in circulating this letter as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 127 "Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council".

We avail ourselves of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellencies the assurances of our highest esteem and consideration.

Sincerely,

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