

15 April 2022

Excellency,

In accordance with resolution 71/323, I have the honour to inform you that the informal interactive dialogue with the candidate for President of the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Csaba Kőrösi of Hungary, will be held on Thursday, 5 May 2022, at 10.00 a.m., in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The vision statement of Ambassador Kőrösi was circulated on 17 February 2022 and can be found on the dedicated page on my website https://www.un.org/pga/76/election-of-the-77th-president-of-the-general-assembly/.

The annex to the present letter details the format and modalities for the informal interactive dialogue.

As conveyed in my letter dated 16 December 2021, the election of the President of the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly will be held on Tuesday, 7 June 2022, at 10 a.m., in the General Assembly Hall.

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

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ANNEX

Informal interactive dialogues with candidates for the position of the President of the General Assembly

In its resolution 71/323, the General Assembly decided to conduct informal interactive dialogues with candidates for the position of President of the General Assembly, thus contributing to the transparency and inclusivity of the process and called upon candidates to present to the Assembly their vision statements.

The General Assembly, in its subsequent resolution 73/341, requested that the dialogue be organized as a question-and-answer session with targeted and relevant questions that serves as a follow-up to the vision statement of the candidate(s), and draws on the plans and priorities of each candidate for his or her term.

The format for the informal interactive dialogue with the candidate for the position of the President of the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly will be as follows:

- The dialogue will be presided over by the President of the General Assembly and last up to three hours.
- The dialogue will begin with an introduction by the candidate of his vision and priorities for the Presidency (up to 10 minutes), followed by an interactive exchange.
- Member States are encouraged to ask concise questions, with interventions not exceeding 2 minutes for individual delegations and 3 minutes for groups.
- Interventions from Member States will be on a first-come, first-served basis, with priority accorded to requests from groups.
- The candidate will be given the opportunity to respond to questions at regular intervals throughout the dialogue.
- The candidate will have the opportunity to respond to questions from other stakeholders, including from those attending in-person and by pre-recorded videos selected from questions received through the website of the President of the General Assembly prior to the dialogue.
- In line with the overall objective of increasing the transparency and inclusivity of the process, the informal interactive dialogue will be webcast.

Should further nominations be received, the above format will be replicated for all informal interactive dialogues in order to provide equal opportunities to candidates.