



PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

7 July 2022

Excellency,

On 19 May 2022, I transmitted a letter from H.E. Ms Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani, Permanent Representative of the State of Qatar, and H.E. Mr Martin Bille Hermann, Permanent Representative of Denmark, Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations (IGN) on the Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and matters related to the Security Council in which they have recommended to roll over the work of the IGN to the 77<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly based on the *“Co-Chairs’ Revised Elements Paper on Convergences and Divergences on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters,”* attached to their letter dated 16 May 2022.

I would like to thank the Co-Chairs for their leadership, diligence, and innovative approach adopted during the 76<sup>th</sup> session for engaging with the Member States which has resulted in further expanding the areas of convergence and narrowing down the areas of divergence.

Going forward, I would encourage delegations to work tirelessly to further narrow down the divergences and gradually move the process towards text based negotiations, using the Co-Chairs Elements Paper, along with the Framework Document.

I would also like to earnestly thank all the delegations for their constructive engagement throughout this session.

Following consultations with Member States and groups of States, I have the honour to enclose herewith a **draft oral decision** that I intend to present for adoption at the plenary meeting of the General Assembly on **Tuesday, 12 July 2022, at 10 a.m.** at the General Assembly Hall, 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.”

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Abdulla Shahid', written over a horizontal line.

Abdulla SHAHID

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