PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

19 August 2025

Subject: Draft decision establishing an informal working group of the General Assembly on the Secretary-General's report of the Mandate Implementation Review

Excellency,

On 1 August, I convened the third informal meeting on the UN80 Initiative where the Secretary-General briefed the General Assembly on his report of the Mandate Implementation Review (A/80/318). In the report, the Secretary-General submitted a number of proposals for the consideration of Member States on the creation, delivery and review of mandates.

During the briefing, many Member States acknowledged the need for an intergovernmental process to discuss in detail the proposals contained in the report. In subsequent consultations by my Office, Member States have emphasized that such a process should be open, inclusive, transparent and timebound.

In this regard, I have the honour to propose establishing an informal ad hoc working group of the General Assembly to consider the proposals for the consideration of Member States contained in the Secretary-General's report and to identify principles and follow-up actions in order to improve the creation, delivery and review of mandates. The informal ad hoc working group would rely on the substantive support of the Secretary-General.

The informal ad hoc working group would be established during the 79th session of the General Assembly with a view to commencing its work at the start of the 80th session. In this regard, I have consulted with the President-elect for the 80th session, H.E. Ms Annalena Baerbock, who is fully supportive of this approach.

All Permanent Missions and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York To establish the informal working group, I intend to submit the attached draft decision, to be issued as L.119, to the General Assembly for consideration at the plenary meeting on 2 September 2025. The full programme of the meeting will be published in the *Journal of the United Nations*.

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

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