## TENTH REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

11 March 2022

Excellency,

I refer to my letter dated 2 March 2022, in which I placed under silence procedure until 4 March at 5:00 p.m., which I subsequently extended until 11 March at 5:00 p.m. a proposal for a decision by the States Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) to hold the Tenth Review Conference of Parties to the NPT at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 1-26 August 2022.

As I advised all States Parties, the offer to hold the Tenth Review Conference at United Nations Headquarters on these dates was made on the assumption that conference facilities and operations at Headquarters would have fully returned to the pre-pandemic level, with no medical, safety-related and operational restrictions in place.

It is my pleasure to inform you that the silence procedure has concluded without objections. Accordingly, the following decision is considered adopted by the States Parties to the NPT:

1. The States Parties agree to confirm the dates of 1-26 August 2022 for the Tenth Review Conference of Parties to the NPT to be held at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

I take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation once again to all States Parties for their enduring support and for the spirit of flexibility and cooperation they have displayed throughout the extended postponement of the Tenth Review Conference caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. With the confirmation by States Parties of the dates of 1-26 August 2022, we now have the opportunity to carry out the important work of the Review Conference and to ensure the NPT maintains its place as the cornerstone of the nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation regime and an essential pillar of international peace and security.

All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers of NPT States Parties to the United Nations New York

I will continue to keep States Parties apprised of any developments related to the holding of the Review Conference. We now have some five months before the Review Conference. It is therefore my intention to continue informal consultations on the three pillars of the NPT with States Parties in the lead up to the Review Conference. I will advise on next steps in due course.

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

Gustavo Zlauvinen President-designate