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Excellency,

I am pleased to inform you that the Co-Chairs on the informal consultative process on International Environmental Governance, H.E. Permanent Representative of Mexico, Claude Heller, and H.E. Peter Maurer, Permanent Representative of Switzerland, on 14 June submitted an options paper setting out their key finding and suggesting the way to carry forward these important consultations. The Co-Chairs' Options Paper is available on the website of the President of the General Assembly at: <http://www.un.org/ga/president/61/follow-up/environment/EG-OptionsPaper.PDF>

I would like to thank the Co-Chairs for their tireless work and dedication in preparing the options paper which reflects months of intensive consultations with Member States on the key issues under consideration. The options paper sets out the shortcomings of the current system, provides practical building blocks and options for improving International Environmental Governance that should be considered during the 62<sup>nd</sup> session, as well as, an overview of broader transformational options that could be considered in future.

I would like to strongly encourage all Member States to give due consideration and attention to the options set out in the report. The Co-Chairs stand ready to receive your feedback on the paper over the coming months in order to facilitate more in depth discussions in September.

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

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