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Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to Resolution 66/254 on the Intergovernmental process of the General Assembly on "strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system" adopted by General Assembly on 23 February 2012. The Assembly requested me, in my capacity as its President, "to appoint two co-facilitators, in accordance with established procedures and practices in this regard" to assist me in this process.

In accordance with the above mentioned resolution, I have the honour to inform you that I have appointed H.E. Ms. Gréta Gunnarsdóttir Permanent Representative of Iceland and H.E. Mr. Desra Percaya Permanent Representative of Indonesia to jointly cofacilitate this process on my behalf.

In accordance to the resolution 66/254 I was requested "to conduct open, transparent and inclusive negotiations on how to strengthen and enhance the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system" and build on the efforts of the High Commissioner process "including those contained in the reports of the Secretary-General and the compilation report to be prepared by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights".

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The resolution also requested me "to work out separate informal arrangements, after consultation with Member States that would allow the open-ended intergovernmental process to benefit from the inputs and expertise of the human rights treaty bodies, national human rights institutions and relevant non-governmental organizations"

I would like to thank H.E. Ms. Gréta Gunnarsdóttir and H.E. Mr. Desra Percaya for accepting this responsibility and trust that you will extend your full cooperation and support to the process.

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

Massir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser