

THE PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

13 December 2017

Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 30 October 2017, in which I informed Member States of the appointment of H.E. Mr. Kaha Imnadze, Permanent Representative of Georgia and H.E. Ms. Lana Zaki Nusseibeh, Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates, as Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations (IGN) on the question of the equitable representation on and the increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council. I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter from the Co-Chairs concerning the resumption of the meetings of the IGN.

I listened with keen interest to all the views expressed on this issue during the plenary debate of the General Assembly held on 7 and 8 November 2017, and I look forward to your active participation in the upcoming IGN meetings during this session.

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

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To All Permanent Representatives to the United Nations New York



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Since our appointment on 26 October 2017 as Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations on Security Council reform (IGN) during the 72nd session of the General Assembly, informal consultations with Member States have been most productive. We are pleased that Member States are approaching the process constructively – not only making compelling cases for their positions, but also expressing openness to dialogue and exchange of creative ideas.

In our capacity as Co-Chairs, we are pleased to announce that the first meeting of the IGN will be held from 29-30 January 2018 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. The topics of discussion for the meeting with Member States will be circulated two weeks prior to the aforementioned date.

Once inputs are gathered from this first session, we will be facilitating several further meetings as part of the IGN.

We both stand ready to meet informally with all delegations as part of this ongoing process, and we continue to welcome such engagement in advance of the meetings in 2018.

Please accept, your Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

Kaha Imnadze Ambassador Permanent Representative Georgia to the United Nations Co-Chair, IGN 72nd Session Lana Nusseibeh Ambassador Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations Co-Chair, IGN 72nd Session

All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York