



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

25 March 2019

Excellency,

Following the second meeting 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, on 25-26 February, I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter from the Co-Chairs of the IGN, H.E Mr. Christian Braun, Permanent Representative of Luxembourg, and H.E. Mrs. Lana Zaki Nusseibeh, Permanent Representative of United Arab Emirates, concerning the third informal meeting, to be held on 4-5 April.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. ESPINOSA".

María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés

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Excellency,

We have the honour of addressing you in our capacity as Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations on Security Council Reform (IGN).

We wish to take this opportunity to thank Member States and groups for their continued constructive engagement and the inputs provided during the first and second informal meetings of the IGN. After hearing views of the membership on the way forward for the 73rd session of the General Assembly in the first meeting, our second meeting provided an opportunity to examine three of the five clusters, namely: categories of membership; the question of the veto; and regional representation. The interventions by delegations have been valuable in clarifying further details of proposals on the table and served as useful prompts for more focused interactive exchanges between groups and Member States.

We are pleased to confirm that the third informal meeting of the IGN on Security Council reform will be held on 4 April in the ECOSOC Chamber and 5 April in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The Co-Chairs propose that during this meeting Member States engage in more thorough discussions on the remaining two clusters: size of an enlarged Security Council and working methods of the Council; and the relationship between the Council and the General Assembly. We urge delegations to focus on identifying perceived gaps, including any potential elements of convergence that have not yet been, or can be further explored. Given the close interconnections between all five key issues of the IGN, we further encourage delegations to consider, and address in their interventions, the relationship and potential impact of these two clusters under review with the other three clusters.

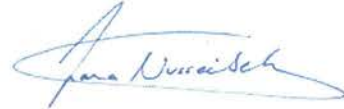
As stated previously, these upcoming discussions and the views expressed by delegations will inform and directly feed into the outcome of the IGN process during the 73rd session.

We look forward to continuing our deliberations at this next informal IGN meeting and wish to reiterate that the Co-Chairs remain available for consultations throughout the process.

Please accept Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.



Christian Braun
Ambassador and Permanent Representative
of Luxembourg



Lana Zaki Nusseibeh
Ambassador and Permanent Representative
of the United Arab Emirates

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