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Excellency,

I refer to General Assembly decision 73/554 of 25 June 2019, entitled "Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council" by which the General Assembly:

- Decided to reaffirm the central role of the General Assembly concerning the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council;
- Also decided to immediately continue intergovernmental negotiations on Security Council reform in informal plenary of the General Assembly at its seventy-fourth session, as mandated by Assembly decisions 62/557 of 15 September 2008, 63/565 B of 14 September 2009, 64/568 of 13 September 2010, 65/554 of 12 September 2011, 66/566 of 13 September 2012, 67/561 of 29 August 2013, 68/557 of 8 September 2014, 69/560 of 14 September 2015, 70/559 of 27 July 2016, 71/553 of 19 July 2017 and 72/557 of 29 June 2018, building on the informal meetings held during its seventy-third session and on the revised elements of commonality and issues for further consideration, circulated on 7 June 2019, as well as the positions of and proposals made by Member States, reflected in the text and its annex circulated on 31 July 2015, to help to inform its future work.

In this regard, I have the pleasure to inform you that I have reappointed H.E. Ms. Lana Zaki Nusseibeh, Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates, and appointed H.E. Ms. Joanna Wronecka, Permanent Representative of Poland to the United Nations, as Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations.

I would like to thank Ambassadors Nusseibeh and Wronecka for having accepted this very important responsibility. I trust that you will extend your full support and cooperation to them throughout the negotiation process. In line with the decision 73/554, I also look forward to engaging with the Co-Chairs and with all Member States on the reform process.

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

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