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UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
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Excellency,

We have the honor of addressing you in our capacity as Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations on Security Council Reform (IGN) in order to inform you of our proposed way forward for the IGN process in light of the rapidly evolving COVID-19 situation.

At the outset, we wish to express our appreciation for the President of the General Assembly's rapid response in addressing the situation and the guidance he has provided. In line with the PGA's letter dated 17 March 2020 in which he informed Member States of his decision to "cancel all in-person meetings of the General Assembly mandated processes ... scheduled to be held between now and 17 April", the forthcoming 3rd meeting of the IGN, scheduled for 26–27 March 2020, will not take place as originally planned. Instead, in order to minimize disruptions to our workplan, we propose to combine the March meeting with the subsequent meeting that will take place – scheduled for 27–28 April.

We will remain seized of the latest developments and should further adjustments be necessary, we will reach out to communicate with the membership.

We thank all delegations for their understanding in these challenging times and count on your continued active engagement as soon as we are able to return to our in-person meetings.

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

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To: All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations, New York