

PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

4 October 2024

Excellency,

In the Pact for the Future, adopted by General Assembly resolution 79/1 at the Summit of the Future on 22 September 2024, the Heads of State and Government agreed to strengthen their efforts in the framework of the intergovernmental negotiations on Security Council reform as a matter of priority and without delay.

In this regard, and in line with General Assembly decision 78/561 of 27 August 2024, I have the honour to inform you that I have appointed H.E. Mr. Tareq M. A. M. Albanai, Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait and H.E. Mr. Alexander Marschik, Permanent Representative of Austria, as Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations (IGN) on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council during the 79th session.

In many statements in the Summit of the Future and the General Debate, faced with alarming and interlinked crises that have put multilateralism and the United Nations under severe pressure, world leaders clearly stated the urgent need to reform the Security Council. I hope that the early appointment of the Co-Chairs will provide an opportunity for Member States to build on the recent progress achieved in the intergovernmental negotiations and intensify efforts towards a comprehensive reform of the Security Council.

I would like to thank Ambassador Albanai and Ambassador Marschik for accepting this very important responsibility. The reform of the Security Council is a Member State-driven process, and it is through dialogue and collective action that progress can be made. I trust that you will extend your full support and cooperation to the Co-Chairs throughout the negotiation process.

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

Philemon Yang

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