

1 May 2025

Excellencies, dear colleagues,

I have the honour to address you in my capacity as **Chair of the Intergovernmental Negotiations** on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other related matters to the Security Council (**IGN**) during the 79th session of the General Assembly.

Kindly find attached a copy of a letter dated 1 May 2025 received by the Chair from the Permanent Mission of Japan requesting that the attached letter containing a link to the "Interactive Handbook of the Working Methods of the Security Council" to be uploaded to the IGN repository.

The attached document will be posted on the IGN website which acts as a repository of the IGN process upon the request of the Permanent Mission of Japan.

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

Tareq Albanai

Ambassador

Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait to the United Nations

Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations

New York

1 May 2025

Dear Mr. Chair, Pen Tareq.

It is my honor to address you in your capacity as the Chair of the Intergovernmental Negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other related matters to the Security Council (IGN) for the 79 th session of the United Nations General Assembly.

With reference to the IGN meeting on the working methods of the Security Council on 27 February 2025, Japan believes that the following website "Interactive Handbook of the Working Methods of the Security Council" (https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/interactive-handbook), sponsored coordination with the Secretariat and other Member States, will continue to be a useful information source for Member States' reference to build on our discussions at the IGN as well as to deepen understanding on the dayto-day operations of the Council.

This is an easily accessible web-based format of the "Green Book," which compiles the Provisional Rules of Procedure of the Security Council (S/96/Rev.7), the latest Note 507 (S/2024/507), and other reference documents. Japan also released the updated Green Book as a physical copy tliis March, which is available to all Member States, following previous versions of the Green Book that Japan released, most recently in 2021.

I would be grateful if you could upload the above link to the Security Council reform repository website for the benefit of the membership.

I look forward to continuing the IGN discussions this session under your leadership toward an early reform of the Council to better reflect today's world.

Sincerely,

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To:

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