



Permanent Mission of the
State of Kuwait to the United Nations
New York

 Permanent Mission
of Austria to the
United Nations in New York

21 December 2023

Excellencies, dear colleagues,

With reference to our letter dated 21 November 2023, we have the honour of addressing you in our capacity as **Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations** on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council (IGN) during the 78th session of the UN General Assembly.

First, permit us to express our **sincere gratitude to all delegations** for the constructive engagement during the “un-formals” held on 1 December and the first round of the IGN meetings on 13 and 14 December 2023, which served to deepen our understanding of the positions of Member States and Groups of States on the **five clusters mentioned in GA decision 62/557**. As confirmed in the meeting, we will accommodate the requests for additional time to discuss the five clusters in the coming year.

Secondly, as announced, we would like to provide delegations with **additional information on the next IGN meeting** to be held on 22 and 23 January 2023 in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. This meeting will serve to commence the **structured dialogue on individual proposals** as they have been presented or submitted to the Co-Chairs and documented on the repository website. The Co-Chairs will invite the **first three delegations** that have presented models so far to present their proposals to the IGN: the model submitted by [Mexico](#), the model submitted by [Liechtenstein](#) and the model submitted by Saint Vincent and the Grenadines on behalf of the [L.69 group](#).

Each of these three delegations will be **invited to present their model to the IGN**. The presentation of each model will be followed by a **separate discussion with the IGN members**, in which IGN members will be invited to make their comments and proposals to the model presented. On the first day, Monday 22 January, the proceedings will be webcast, as agreed. Each delegation that has presented a model will be allotted **1.5 hours in total** for the presentation and the discussion of their model. After the presentation and discussion of the first

model, the IGN will proceed to the next model (presentation + discussion). On the second day, Tuesday, 23 January, the three models will be discussed in **a single closed interactive dialogue** without webcast, in which delegations will be invited to reflect on the models and the relationship with other models, including those not presented, and to put forward ideas for bridging differences between models and moving the discussion in the IGN forward in the five cluster areas.

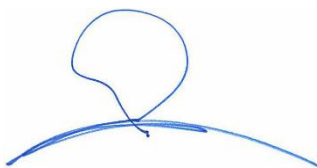
Delegations that are scheduled to present models at the first meeting are invited to contact the Co-Chairs in case **any specific arrangements** (power point presentations etc.) are required for the presentation of their model.

Other Member States and Groups of States are **encouraged to submit their proposals** to the Co-Chairs for circulation and publication on the repository for subsequent model discussions envisaged for the remaining IGN meetings that have been scheduled. The Co-Chairs also reserve the possibility to **revert to models that have been revised and redrafted** on the basis of the feedback received at the first discussion of the model.

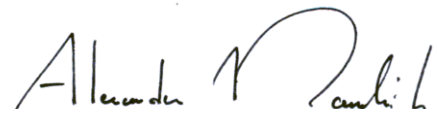
Questions regarding the upcoming meetings and submissions of models should be sent per e-mail to fahadalajmi.kuwaitmission@gmail.com and raphael.ruppacher@bmeia.gv.at.

Finally, the Co-Chairs would like to extend to all delegations their best wishes for the holidays and for the New Year 2024.

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



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