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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Excellency,

14 June 2016

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter dated 14 June 2016 from H.E. Ms. Sylvie Lucas, Permanent Representative of Luxembourg, Chair of the Intergovernmental Negotiations on Security Council Reform (IGN) informing Member States of the upcoming meeting of the IGN on Wednesday 22 June 2016 at 3.00 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

I take this opportunity to encourage the active support and participation of Member States in the proceedings of this meeting.

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

To All Permanent Representatives
to the United Nations
New York

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Following our initial discussion on 1 June on the elements of convergence on the two
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Elements of convergence on two key issues of Security Council reform:
the relationship between the Council and the General Assembly, and the size of an enlarged Security Council and working methods of the Council

The following elements of convergence have emerged from the pOSltions and proposals of Member States presented in the informal meetings held in the seventieth session of the General Assembly and reflected in the text and its annex circulated by the President of the General Assembly in his letter dated 31 July 2015, on the key issues of "the relationship between the Council and the General Assembly" and "size of an enlarged Security Council and working methods of the Council":

Relationship between the Council and the General Assembly

• The relationship between the Security Council and the General Assembly should be mutually reinforcing and complementary, in accordance with and
with full respect for their respective functions, authority, powers and competencies as enshrined in the Charter. In this regard, it is important to:

o Ensure increased cooperation, coordination and the exchange of information among the Presidents of the Security Council and of the General Assembly and also with the Secretariat of the United Nations, in particular the Secretary-General,

o Continue the practice of regular meetings between the President of the Security Council and the President of the General Assembly,

o Strengthen the cooperation and communication between the Security Council and the General Assembly, in particular through the submission by the Security Council of annual reports of a more analytical nature and of special reports to the General Assembly, in full implementation of the relevant provisions of the Charter,

o Improve the participation in and access to the work of the Security Council and its subsidiary organs for all members of the General Assembly, to enhance the Council's accountability to the membership and increase the transparency of its work, in particular through:

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• Holding open sessions, open brieflngs and open debates,
• Holding informal interactive dialogues and Atria-formula meetings,
• Further enhancing consultations between the Security Council
and troop- and police-contributing countries throughout all
phases of Council-mandated peacekeeping operations.

Size of an enlarged Council and working methods of the Council

Size of an enlarged Council

• An enlarged Council should consist of a total of members in the mid-20s,
within an overall range of 21-27 seats, with the exact number to emerge from
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