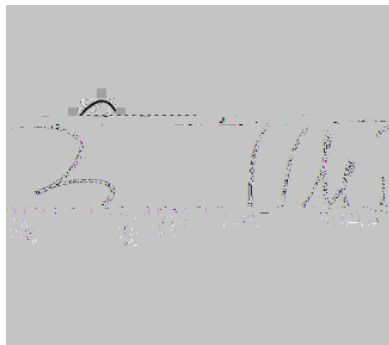


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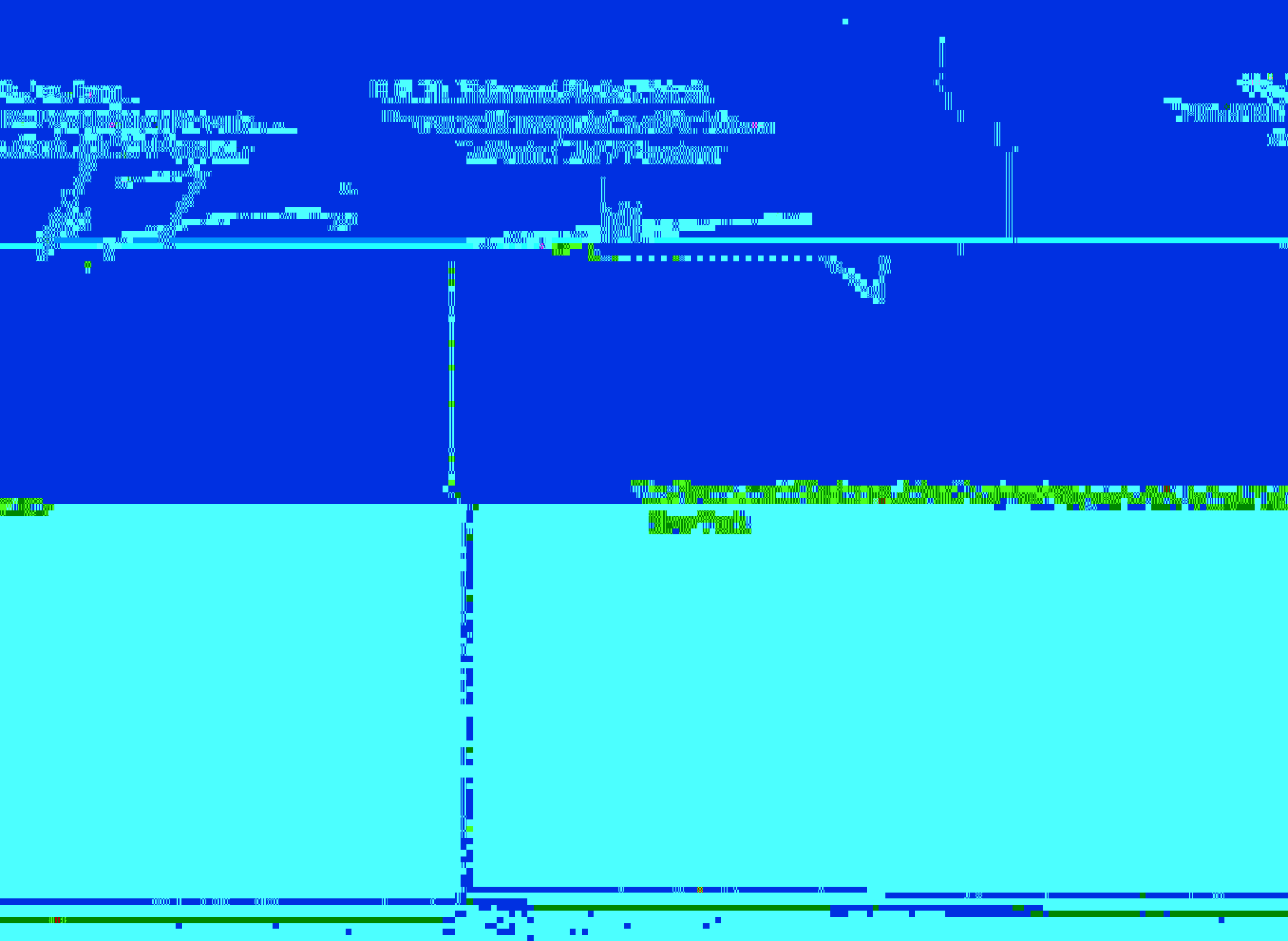
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**ELEMENTS OF CONVERGENCE, COMMONALITIES  
AND ISSUES FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION**

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## 2. Commonalities on categories of membership

- a) Expansion in the category of non-permanent members is accepted by all Member States.
- b) The Security Council's expansion in other categories (permanent and/or longer-term members, and/or transitional options) remains a subject for negotiations.

## 3. Commonalities on t

- Enlargement of the SC with only non-permanent seats;
- Enlargement of the SC with both permanent and non-

- b) How to ensure a balanced ratio between the number of SC non-permanent members and number of countries in regional groups (P5 excluded)? Currently, the ratio is 1:27 for Asia-Pacific, 1:22 for EEG, 1:18 for Africa, 1:17 for GRULAC and 1:13 for WEOG.
- c) Regional representation needs to be discussed in close connection with the size of the SC.
- d) The question of whether a country represents only itself in the SC, or its region, or the whole of UN