



8 May 2020

Excellency,

I have the pleasure to transmit herewith, a letter dated 7 May 2020, from H.E. Ambassador Lana Nusseibeh, Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations and H.E. Ambassador Joanna Wronecka, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Poland to the United Nations, co-chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and matters related to the Security Council (IGN).

The letter informs that sequel to informal consultations with Groups and Member States, the co-chairs have decided to postpone the scheduled meetings of the process until further notice. This decision was taken in light of the evolving COVID-19 pandemic and the recent medical guidance from the United Nations Medical Director regarding the ongoing measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and safeguard the health of colleagues.

The Co-Chairs invite Groups and Member States to remain engaged and continue to explore possible options for work continuity.

I avail of this opportunity to express my solidarity with Member States who are fighting COVID-19 and extend my sincere condolences for their loss.

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

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All Permanent Representatives and  
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