



29 June 2021

Excellency,

Tghgtgpeg'ku'o cf g'vq'I gpgtcrnCuugo dn' 'tguqrnwkp'951526'gpkwrgf . "ōVqy ctf u" torture free trade: examining the feasibility, scope, and parameters for possible common kpytprvqpcn'ucpf ctf uō'kp'y j lej 'vj g'I gpgtcrnCuugo dn' 'tgs wguvuf 'vj g'Ugetgvct {-General to establish a group of governmental experts, to be chosen on the basis of equitable geographical distribution and guided by the need to appoint individuals reflecting the highest standards of efficiency, competence in the fields of human rights and/or international trade, and integrity, to examine, commencing in 2020, the feasibility, scope of the goods to be included and draft parameters for a range of options to establish common international standards on the matter and to transmit the report of the group of governmental experts to the Assembly for consideration at its seventy-fifth session.

Hwtvj gt'tghgtgpeg'ku'o cf g'vq'Ugetgvctkv'pqv'971; 2: 'gpkwrgf . "ōVqy ctf u"qtwtg-free trade: examining the feasibility, scope and parameters for possible common international ucpf ctf uō'cf xkupi 'vj cv'vj g'tgr qtv'qh'vj g'i tqw'qh'i qxgtpo gpcn'gizr gtu'y kn'dg'uubmitted to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session due to the delay in the process of establishing the group of experts.

In this regard, I have received a letter from H.E. Mr. Francisco Duarte Lopes, Permanent Representative of Portugal on behalf of the European Union, the main sponsor of resolution 73/304, requesting the postponement of the submission of the report to the General Assembly for consideration at its seventy-sixth session.

Therefore, I have the honour to enclose herewith a draft decision to postpone the consideration of the report to the seventy-sixth session. The draft decision will be presented hqt'vj g'Cuugo dn' (u'eqpukf gtcv'kp"cv'c'r ngpct { "o ggkpi 'kp'f wg'eqwtug0

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

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Permanent Observers to the United Nations
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to the United Nations*

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23 June 2021

Excellency,

I am writing on behalf of the European Union with regard to resolution 73/304 entitled "Towards torture-free trade: examining the feasibility, scope and parameters for possible common international standards."

The text of the resolution states that a group of governmental experts should submit a report on

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Seventy-fifth session
Agenda item 72

Draft decision submitted by the President of the General Assembly¹

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 73/304 of 28 June 2019, in which it requested the Secretary-General to establish a group of governmental experts, to be chosen on the basis of equitable geographical distribution and guided by the need to appoint individuals reflecting the highest standards of efficiency, competence in the fields of human rights and/or international trade, and integrity, to examine, commencing in 2020, the feasibility, scope of the goods to be included and draft parameters for a range of options to establish common international standards on the matter and to transmit the report of the group of experts to the Assembly for consideration at its seventy-fifth session;

Taking note of the note by the Secretariat² in which the Secretary-General informed that due to the delays in the process of establishing the group of governmental experts, the report of the group of governmental experts will be submitted to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session;

Decides to postpone to its seventy-sixth session the consideration of the report of the group of governmental experts requested in its resolution 73/304.

¹ In order for the General Assembly to take action on the present proposal, it will be necessary to reopen consideration of agenda item 72 and to consider it directly in plenary meeting.

² A/75/908