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Identical letters dated 14 June 2021 from the Permanent Representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the General Assembly

It is my honour to address you on behalf of the L.69 Group in response to the letter dated 11 June 2021 from the President of the General Assembly, whereby submission of a draft oral decision was made to Member States under agenda item 127, “Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council”.

In this regard, while thankful for the efforts of the President of the General Assembly, we are obliged to note that the draft oral decision in question does not address some legitimate concerns expressed by our Group in relation to the intergovernmental negotiations on Security Council reform. The draft, as it stands, does not adequately reflect the progress achieved during the five rounds of the intergovernmental negotiations held this year under the leadership of the Co-Chairs, Joanna Wronecka, Permanent Representative of Poland to the United Nations, and Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani, Permanent Representative of the State of Qatar to the United Nations.

The L.69 Group therefore wishes to convey support for the amendments to the draft oral decision as proposed for tabling by the Group of Four – Brazil, Germany, India and Japan – in accordance with the provisions of rule 78 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. The amendments are as follows:

- Insert, at the end of paragraph 1, the words “and the commitment of Heads of State and Government representing the peoples of the world to instil new life in the discussion of the reform of the Security Council”.
- In paragraph 2, in the ninth line, replace the word “and” with the words “based on”; in the twelfth line, replace the words “as well as” with the words “and informed by”; and in the fourteenth and last line, delete the words “to help to inform its future work”.



Your kind assistance would be appreciated in having the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 127.

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