



Permanent Mission of the  
State of Kuwait to the United Nations  
New York

 Permanent Mission  
of Austria to the  
United Nations in New York

9 February 2024

Excellencies, dear colleagues

We have the honour to address you in our capacity as **Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations** on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other related matters to the Security Council (**IGN**) during the 78<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly.

Kindly find attached a copy of a letter dated 9 February 2024 received by the Co-Chairs from the Group of Four (G-4), requesting the **postponement of the G-4 model presentation** scheduled for 15 and 16 February. Upon the request of the G-4, the G-4 model will therefore be presented during the IGN meeting scheduled for **7 and 8 March 2024**.

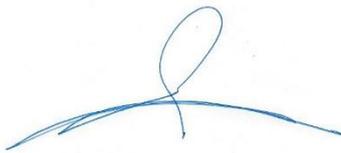
During the upcoming IGN meeting, the **model submitted by the L.69 group** will be presented and discussed during the morning of 15 February 2024. This presentation and discussion will be followed by a closed interactive dialogue without webcast in the afternoon of 15 February 2024.

On the next day, 16 February 2024, the IGN will return to the **discussion of the five clusters**, as some delegations had expressed at the beginning of this session the wish to dedicate more time to the discussion on the five clusters. This discussion will again be held in the format of an open meeting with webcast in the morning and possibly the beginning of the afternoon meeting and will be followed by a closed meeting without webcast to hold an informal, interactive dialogue on the question of the five clusters as soon as the list of speakers in the open meeting is exhausted.

In order to structure our discussion around the five clusters, the Co-Chairs offer the following two guiding questions to delegations that have so far been underdiscussed, but should not limit the discussion in any way:

- One issue that has been focused on during the model discussion was the question of mandating a **review clause** for any future reform of the Council. What are the views and reactions of delegations to such a proposal?
- Regarding **regional representation**, the Co-Chairs Elements Paper of last year sets out that there has been overall agreement to the need for an equitable representation of developing countries, small states, cross-regional groups such as Small Island Developing States, and Arab States. However, more in-depth discussions are needed to clarify questions pertaining to the specific mechanics of nomination and rotation for cross-regional groups and countries in special circumstances. What are the views of delegations on these specific mechanisms of nomination and rotation?

Please accept, Excellencies, the assurances of our highest consideration.



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PERMANENT MISSION OF JAPAN  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS  
NEW YORK

9 February 2024

Dear Co-Chairs,

It is our honor to address you in your capacity as the Co-Chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations on the question of equitable representations on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other related matters to the Security Council (IGN) of the 78th United Nations General Assembly.

Due to a pressing need, we would like to request that the presentation by the Group of Four (G4: Brazil, Germany, India, and Japan) on its model of a reform of the Security Council be postponed to the IGN meetings scheduled for **7 and 8 March 2024**, instead of 15 and 16 February.

We are sorry for any inconvenience caused by this and deeply appreciate your flexibility as well as kind accommodation. We look forward to a fruitful discussion then.

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