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Letter dated 12 June 2025 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

In connection with the report of the Security Council to the General Assembly for the year 2024, adopted by the Security Council on 30 May 2025, I would like to convey the following:

As the President of the Security Council in July 2024, the Russian Federation was in charge of the drafting of the introduction to the report. We made every effort to arrange the negotiation process in an open, constructive and timely manner, with the active participation of all Council members, in order to provide an informative and consistent overview of the Council's work in 2024. In addition to that, in January we continued the practice of informal discussions mentioned in the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2024/507) and, ahead of the work on the report, together with the President of the General Assembly, organized the relevant interactive dialogue, where all Member States were able to express their views related to the document.

This broad consultative process conducted by Russia facilitated a consensus around the text of the introduction, which successfully passed the non-objection procedure on 10 February 2025. No delegation raised any objections.

Consequently, the report as a whole was adopted by the Security Council on 30 May, in full accordance with paragraph 151 of the above-mentioned note (S/2024/507).

We took note of the concerns expressed by the delegation of Sierra Leone during the adoption of the report by the Security Council, but we regret that they were not expressed within the timeline set for the discussion of the introduction to the report. The retrospective revision of agreed Council decisions cannot be acceptable and runs counter to the logic, practice and procedure of this body. Setting such a precedent would have been detrimental to the core principles that the decision-making of the Council is based on, endangering its 80-year authority.

We are therefore grateful to all Council members for their understanding and cooperative spirit, allowing the Security Council to present its reporting to the General Assembly.

I would be grateful if you would circulate the present letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Vassily Nebenzia



