

2 June 2020

Excellency,

I have the pleasure to transmit herewith, a letter from H.E. Michal Mlynár, Permanent Representative of Slovakia to the United Nations, and H.E. Ambassador Martha Ama Akyaa Pobee, Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations, co-chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly (AHWG).

The aforementioned letter invites you to the forthcoming thematic debates of the AHWG on the Office of the President General Assembly and Secretary General Selection Process, scheduled for Tuesday, 9 June 2020, at 10 a.m. and Tuesday, 16 June 2020, at 10 a.m., respectively. Details pertaining to the virtual arrangements for the meeting will be circulated by the Secretariat in due course.

I avail myself 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.

Tijjani Muhammad-Bande

All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York





PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

New York, 2nd June 2020

Excellency,

We have the honour to address you in our capacity as the Co-chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Revitalisation of the Work of the General Assembly (AHWG) and inform you about the way forward on the work of the AHWG.

Based on the programme of work outlined in our letter dated 12th February 2020 and the prevailing expectations of the Member States expressed during the AHWG virtual meeting held on 5th May 2020, we would like to invite you for the remaining two thematic debates as follows:

- Tuesday, 9th June 2020 at 10 a.m. thematic debate on the Office of the PGA
- Tuesday, 16th June 2020 at 10 a.m. thematic debate on SG selection process

The thematic debates will also be attended and addressed by:

- H.E. Mr. Tijjani Muhammad-Bande, President of the UN General Assembly on 9th June 2020;
- Mr. Movses Abelian, UN Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management on 9th June 2020;
- Ms. Martha Helena Lopez, UN Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources on 16th June 2020.

All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York As the current restrictions with the COVID-19 pandemic still persist, both debates will be held virtually using the Cisco WebEx platforms and conducted in the English language. For the purposes of archives and official records, delegations will have the possibility to send their written statements in any of the six official languages of the UN.

More details on the technical aspects of the meeting (registration link, dial-in details) will be provided by the UN Secretariat shortly.

In addition, the co-chairs remain committed to finding a way of organizing an in-person interactive dialogue between the Permanent Missions and the UN Secretariat later on, once the conditions for return to UN Headquarters allow it.

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

Martha Ama Akyaa Pobee Ambassador Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations Michal Mlynár Ambassador Permanent Representative of Slovakia to the United Nations