




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

 Permanent Mission
of Austria to the
United Nations in New York

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Excellencies, dear colleagues,

We have the honour of addressing 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 matters related to the Council (IGN) during the 78th session of the UN General Assembly.

First, we would like to sincerely thank all delegations for their active involvement during the meetings on 15 and 16 February 2024. A special thanks goes out to the delegation of Saint Vincent and Grenadines for showcasing the L.69 model and engaging with delegations in the structured dialogue.

Continuation of Model Discussion and Discussion of the Five Clusters

The upcoming IGN meetings are scheduled **for 7 and 8 March 2024 from 10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. and from 3.00 – 6.00 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber**. The Co-Chairs will invite the delegation of India, on behalf of the Group of Four (G4), to present their model on 7 March. The model submitted by the G4 will be presented and discussed during the morning session and will be followed by a closed interactive dialogue without webcast in the afternoon.

On the following day, 8 March, the Co-chairs will reconvene the discussion of 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 the discussion around the five clusters, to Co-Chairs pose the following guiding question to delegations, not to limit the discussion in any way:


- Last year's Elements Paper stated that a growing number of Member States support limitations to the scope and use of the veto and listed several options that were discussed

during last year's session on **limiting the scope and use of the veto**. What reflections do Member States have on limiting the scope and use of the veto, under the assumption that the veto is not abolished?

Contribution for the Summit of the Future

The **second informal discussion on the contribution** for the Summit of the Future will now be held on **Friday, 22 March 2024** instead of 21 March 2024. This meeting will be focused on the input of the IGN Contribution to the Summit of the Future and will be held at the Permanent Mission of Kuwait 321 E 44th St, New York, NY 10017 from 1.15 -2.45p.m.

The Co-Chairs have the honour to extend the invitation to the “un-formal” meeting on 22 March 2024 at the Ambassadorial / Chargé d'affaires level in a 1+1 format, meaning that Permanent Representatives or Chargés d'affaires attending the meeting can be accompanied by an expert. We kindly ask that you RSVP by email to ayataqi4@gmail.com and lisbeth.strohmeier@bmeia.gv.at no later than Tuesday, 19 March 2024.



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