28 January 2019

Excellencies,

I have the honour to transmit for your attention the report of the Consultative Group dated 25 January 2019 with its recommendations of candidates for consideration for appointments to the following four vacancies of mandate holders to be filled at the fortieth session of the Human Rights Council:

1. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from Africa** [HRC resolution 33/25]
2. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia** [HRC resolution 33/25]
3. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from Central and South America, and the Caribbean** [HRC resolution 33/25]
4. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from the Pacific** [HRC resolution 33/25]

I take this opportunity to recall that, according to paragraph 52 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1, “on the basis of the recommendations of the Consultative Group and following broad consultations, in particular through the regional coordinators, the President of the Council will identify an appropriate candidate for each vacancy.”

In line with this paragraph, I will be holding broad consultations, based on this report, with a view to identifying appropriate candidates for the above-mentioned vacancies.

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

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President of the Human Rights Council

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To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva