6 November, 2013

Excellency,

By resolution 68/2 of 20 September 2013, the General Assembly decided to extend the intergovernmental process of the General Assembly on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system until the first half of February 2014, in order to finalize the elaboration of an outcome of the intergovernmental process.

In the same resolution, the General Assembly further agreed to continue the consideration of elements for the substantive resolution, building upon, inter alia, those contained in the report of the co-facilitators on the intergovernmental process during the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

In this regard, I now have the honour to inform you that H.E. Ms. Gréta Gunnarsdóttir, Permanent Representative of Iceland and H.E. Mr. Mohamed Khaled Khiari, Permanent Representative of Tunisia, have agreed to act as facilitators for this process.

I would like to thank them for accepting this responsibility and trust that you will extend your full cooperation and support to their work during the 68th session of the General Assembly.

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

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