8 February 2022

Excellencies,

I have the honour to transmit for your attention the addendum to the report of the Consultative Group dated 7 February 2022, to its report dated 24 January 2022, with its recommendation of candidates for consideration for the appointment to the following six, out of eleven, vacancies**,** to be filled at the forty-ninth session of the Human Rights Council.

1. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia (Human Rights Council resolution 33/25)**
2. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from Central and South America, and the Caribbean (Human Rights Council resolution 33/25)**
3. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from the Pacific (Human Rights Council resolution 33/25)**
4. **Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from Asia-Pacific States (Human Rights Council resolution 45/3)**
5. **Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, member from Asia-Pacific States (Human Rights Council resolution 44/15)**
6. **Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, member from Latin American and Caribbean States (Human Rights Council resolution 42/9)**

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.”

Enclosure

To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva

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

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

Federico Villegas

President of the Human Rights Council