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Excellencies,

In my capacity as President of the Human Rights Council, I have the honour to submit for your attention the list of candidates proposed for two out of the three vacancies of special procedure mandate holders scheduled to be filled at the 48th session of the Human Rights Council (listed in alphabetical order):

- 1. Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights (HRC resolution 46/9)
- 2. Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, member from Latin American and Caribbean States (HRC resolution 44/15)

In follow-up to my letter of 17 July 2021, and in accordance with paragraphs 52 and 53 of the annex to Council resolution 5/1, upon receipt of the Consultative Group's report, I have held broad consultations, in particular through the regional coordinators and based on the recommendations of the Consultative Group, to ensure the endorsement of my proposed candidates.

Following my consultations with States and other relevant stakeholders, I have decided to follow the first recommendation of the Consultative Group for the two vacancies.

As to the **Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Alexandra XANTHAKI (Greece)**.

In relation to the Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, member from Latin American and Caribbean States, I propose for appointment Ms. Fernanda HOPENHAYM (Mexico).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Consultative Group for their hard work, which has facilitated my efforts to identify an appropriate candidate for each vacancy.

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

Nazhat Shameem KHAN President of the Human Rights Council

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