25 June 2024

Excellencies,

I have the honour to transmit to you the hereby enclosed addendum, dated 25 June 2024, to the report of the Consultative Group dated 20 May 2024, with its recommendation of candidates for consideration for the appointment to the following remaining vacancy, out of three vacancies of mandate holders that are to be filled at the fifty-sixth session of the Human Rights Council:

1. **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 Western European and other States** (Human Rights Council resolution 51/13)

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 addendum, with a view to identifying appropriate candidates for the above-mentioned vacancy.

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

Omar ZNIBER

President of the Human Rights Council

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To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva