The Protocol and Liaison Service of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) of the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations and has the honour to remind them of the following:

It is important that Permanent Missions frequently review the information published on the official website of the Protocol and Liaison Service of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) of the United Nations (https://protocol.un.org) regarding the Heads of State, Heads of Government, and Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States. Any changes in the details of the aforementioned officials should be officially and promptly communicated to the Chief of Protocol by letter, signed by the Permanent Representative. Such details include the exact spelling of the name of the respective official, his/her full title, marital status (and name of spouse if applicable), and the date of appointment. Additionally, the telephone and telefax numbers of the office(s) of the Heads of State, Heads of Government, and Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States should be included, as those details are shared internally with the office of the Secretary-General and other senior officials of the United Nations.

Furthermore, in order to ensure the accuracy of the records maintained by the Protocol and Liaison Service of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) of the United Nations, Permanent Missions are encouraged to transmit lists of the Cabinet Ministers of their Governments to the Protocol and Liaison Service of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) of the United Nations so as to keep the office informed of any changes regarding the composition of the Member States' Governments.

The information mentioned above is used by all United Nations to send formal correspondence to Member States. It is therefore critical that the Permanent Missions ensure that the information mentioned is updated immediately after any changes in governments have occurred. The Protocol and Liaison Service of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) of the United Nations will only make changes to this list upon receipt of a letter from the Permanent Missions as mentioned above and cannot be held responsible for outdated information.

The Protocol and Liaison Service of the United Nations of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) of the United Nations avails
itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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