



6, February 2025

Excellency,

We are honoured to write to you in our capacity as co-facilitators appointed by the President of the Economic and Social Council to conduct an intergovernmental process to explore options, in the context of the forthcoming thirtieth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women, to revitalise the Commission on the Status of Women.

With reference to his letter dated 11 December 2024, we are grateful to the President of the Economic and Social Council for the trust placed in us to co-facilitate this important process.

Our mandate, as set out in the Pact for the Future, is for "an inclusive intergovernmental process with the participation of all Member States to explore options, in the context of the forthcoming thirtieth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women, to revitalize the Commission on the Status of Women to promote the full and effective implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, to achieve gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls, and promote and protect their human rights and to ensure that the Commission is fit for purpose, while reaffirming the mandate of the Commission".

We are committed to facilitating an open and inclusive process, and to ensuring that all relevant stakeholders can participate and engage meaningfully in the process. In this regard, we are pleased to convene initial open consultations at 3pm on 20 February 2025 in Conference Room 1.

At these consultations and following introductory briefings, Member States will be invited to make general statements on their initial views on options for revitalising the CSW, in line with our shared commitment in the Pact.

Further information about the timing and focus of subsequent informal meetings will be shared in due course. We welcome and count on the active participation and support of all Delegations in this process.

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

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