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Excellency,

I write with reference to General Assembly resolution 69/313 of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda which established a Technology Facilitation Mechanism including a collaborative Multistakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (hereafter STI Forum), and to resolution 70/1 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development which launched the Technology Facilitation Mechanism in September 2015. I also refer to the recent resolution of working arrangements for the 2024 session of the Economic and Social Council (E/2025/L.1), in which Member States decided that the tenth Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals will convene from 7 to 8 May 2025.

As requested by General Assembly resolution 70/1, the President of ECOSOC will convene the meetings of the STI Forum to discuss science, technology and innovation cooperation around thematic areas for the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. The General Assembly also decided that the meetings of the Forum will be co-chaired by two Member States and will result in a summary of discussions elaborated by the two co-Chairs, as an input to the meetings of the high-level political forum.

In this regard, I have the honour to inform you that, after consultations, I have decided to appoint H.E. Mr. Omar Hilale, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Morocco to the United Nations and H.E. Ms. Elina Kalkku, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Finland to the United Nations, to act as co-chairs for the tenth STI Forum.

I would like to thank Ambassador Hilale and Ambassador Kalkku for accepting this responsibility and trust that you will extend your full cooperation and support to them.

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

Fresident of ECOSOC

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