



**The President  
of the  
Economic and Social Council**

3 February 2025

Excellency,

Reference is made to the letter dated 3 June 2019, co-signed by the President of the General Assembly at its 73<sup>rd</sup> session and the President of the Economic and Social Council at its 2019 session, regarding the establishment of the Informal Group of Friends of the Voluntary National Reviews, Follow-up and Review of the high-level political forum on sustainable development (Group of Friends of VNRs).

I wish to acknowledge the important contributions made by the Group of Friends of VNRs to the high-level political forum for sustainable development, and to the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

I am pleased to announce the re-appointment of H.E. Mr. Omar Hilale, Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Morocco to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Antonio Manuel Revilla Lagdameo, Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the United Nations, as Co-Chairs of the Group of Friends of VNRs for 2025.

I trust that under their leadership, the Group will continue to support the countries presenting Voluntary National Reviews at the July 2025 HLPF<sup>1</sup> and contribute, as needed, to the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 67/290, 70/299, and 75/290B.

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

Bob Rae  
President of ECOSOC

All Permanent Representatives  
to the United Nations  
New York

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<sup>1</sup> For a list of the 2025 VNR countries, please visit: [hlpf.un.org/2025](http://hlpf.un.org/2025)