

21 July 2020

<u>Subject:</u> <u>Elections to subsidiary bodies through silence procedure</u>

Excellency,

Further to my letters dated 12 and 16 July 2020, I have the honour to write to you with regard to the outcome of the elections to subsidiary and related bodies conducted by the Economic and Social Council in July 2020.

Reference is made to my letter dated 16 July, placing proposals detailing the candidatures and terms for the election of members to the following six Council subsidiary and related bodies, for which the number of candidatures is equal to or less than the number of vacancies to be filled for all the regional categories, and for which no objection was raised pursuant to rule 68 of the rules of procedure of the Council, under a silence procedure with a deadline of 11 a.m. on Tuesday, 21 July 2020:

- 1. Commission on Population and Development
- 2. Commission for Social Development
- 3. Commission on Science and Technology for Development
- 4. Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
- 5. Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund
- 6. Executive Board of the World Food Programme

It is my pleasure to inform you that the silence procedure has concluded without objection. Accordingly, new members to the above listed six bodies have been elected by the Council to the terms reflected in conference room papers 7-12 enclosed with my letter of 16 July as decision 2020/201 E, in effect from 11.01 a.m. today, Tuesday, 21 July 2020. The Council will take note of decision 2020/201 E at its next plenary meeting to be held at the United Nations Headquarters.

All Permanent Representatives of States members of the Economic and Social Council cc: All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York

As communicated in the message on behalf of the Vice-President of the Council responsible for elections (Pakistan) of 26 June 2020, elections to Council subsidiary and related bodies for which one or more regional categories require secret balloting are postponed until the earliest possible time to hold these elections.

Let me take this opportunity to once again express my solidarity with Member States who are fighting COVID-19 and extend my sincere condolences for their loss.

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

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