

THE PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

24 October 2016

Excellency,

I wish to refer to General Assembly Resolution 70/305 of 13 September 2016, by which the General Assembly decided to establish, at its seventy-first session, an Ad Hoc Working Group on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly.

I have the honour to inform you that I have appointed H.E. Mr. Vladimir Drobnjak of Croatia and H.E. Ms. Lana Zaki Nusseibeh of United Arab Emirates as Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly during the seventy-first session.

I look forward to engaging with them and with all member states on the many critical issues that the Working Group will consider this session including in relation to the recent process to select and appoint the Secretary-General, the strengthening of the Office of the President of the General Assembly, the General Debate of the General Assembly, ethics and other matters.

I would like to thank Ambassador Drobnjak and Ambassador Nusseibeh for accepting this very important responsibility and I trust that you will extend your full support and cooperation to them.

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

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Peter Thomson

To All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York