

Chairperson Commission on the Status of Women

2 March 2020

Excellencies,

I refer to my letter of Friday, 28 February and have the honor to write in follow up to the informal meeting of the Commission on the Status of Women held this morning, where it was decided that the sixty-fourth session of the Commission will convene on 9 March, at 10.00 a.m. It was agreed that the meeting will be of a procedural nature, with Member States being represented by their Permanent Missions to the United Nations. It will include opening statements by the Chair, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the President of the General Assembly, the President of the ECOSOC, the President of the Security Council for the month of March, as well as UN Women Executive Director and a representative of civil society, followed by the adoption of the draft Political Declaration and action on any other draft resolutions. There will be no general discussion. The session will then suspend until further notification.

In this regard, the meeting reiterated the Secretary-General's strong recommendation that capital-based delegations and other stakeholders refrain from travelling to UN Headquarters. The meeting recommended that all side events planned by Member States and the UN system in conjunction with CSW64 will be cancelled.

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

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