



PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

18 March 2024

Dear Mr. Deer and Mr. Juuso,

I would like to thank you for your letter dated 23 February 2024, regarding the appointment of Indigenous Peoples representatives to assist the co-facilitators in leading consultations on possible further measure necessary to enhance the participation of Indigenous People's representatives and institutions in relevant United Nations meetings on issues affecting them, in accordance with General Assembly 78/189 of 19 December 2023.

In line with past practice and the corresponding mandate, I would like to advise you that I have decided to appoint Dr. Claire Winfield Ngamihi Charters and Mr. Belkacem Lounes as Advisors to assist the co-facilitators, H.E. Mr. Robert Rae, Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Victor Garcia Toma, Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations, in conducting consultations on this topic during the seventy-eighth session of the General Assembly.

While I will issue relevant announcement to inform all Member States in the coming days, I encourage you and your constituents to begin to plan your engagement in this important process, early.

I look forward to our continued collaboration during the remainder of the seventy-eighth session.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis Francis".

Dennis Francis

Mr. Kenneth Deer and Mr. Tuomas Aslak Juuso  
Interim Co-Chairs of the  
Indigenous Coordinating Body