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**Letter dated 30 July 2020 from the Permanent Representative of
Germany to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

The Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General and has the honour to transmit herewith a letter from the President of the Human Rights Council to the President of the Security Council (see annex).

The Permanent Mission of Germany kindly requests that the present letter and its annex be issued as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Christoph **Heusgen**
Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations



Annex to the letter dated 30 July 2020 from the Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I wish to thank you for organizing the informal exchange with the members of the Security Council on 28 July 2020. This virtual discussion provided a valuable opportunity to continue the informal channel of dialogue between the Human Rights Council and the Security Council that was established by our predecessors in 2018 with a view to strengthening the Geneva-New York relationship.

During our exchange, several members of the Security Council enquired about possible ways of enhancing the dialogue between the two bodies. Allow me to therefore reiterate the proposal of my predecessor to organize an informal conversation between the Human Rights Council and the President of the Security Council for the month.

As I emphasized during the informal exchange, I am of the strong belief that, in view of the interlinkages among the three pillars of the United Nations, maintaining open channels of conversation between the two bodies would be of great value in our work to fulfil our respective mandates.

In this regard, should there be an opportunity for and interest from one of the forthcoming Presidents of the Security Council to participate in such an informal conversation with the Human Rights Council, either virtually or in person, I would be very pleased to organize such an exchange.

(Signed) Elisabeth **Tichy-Fisslberger**
President of the Human Rights Council
