

**SECOND MEETING OF STATES PARTIES TO THE
TREATY ON THE PROHIBITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS**

8 February 2023

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that, following my letter dated 31 January 2023, no comments were received on my proposal for the composition of the Scientific Advisory Group. Accordingly, I have appointed the following individuals for a term of office beginning today and expiring on the final day of the first Review Conference.

	<i>Nominating State</i>	<i>Nominee</i>
1.	Austria	Mr. Zia Mian
2.	Austria	Ms. Petra Seibert
3.	Bangladesh	Mr. A K M Raushan Kabir Zoardar
4.	Côte d'Ivoire	Mr. Kouamé Rémi Adjoumani
5.	Ireland	Ms. Patricia Lewis
6.	Kazakhstan	Mr. Erlan Batyrbekov
7.	Kiribati	Mr. Bwarenaba Kautu
8.	Kiribati	Ms. Ivana Nikolic Hughes
9.	Malaysia	Ms. Bashillah Bt. Baharuddin
10.	Mexico	Mr. Jans Fromow-Guerra
11.	Mexico	Mr. Gerardo Suárez Reynoso
12.	New Zealand	Mr. Sébastien Philippe
13.	New Zealand, Ireland	Mr. Moritz Kütt
14.	South Africa	Mr. André Johann Buys
15.	South Africa	Mr. Noël Francis Stott

Additionally, I have placed the following candidates on a reserve list, which will be which would be used to fill any vacancies that may arise in the membership of the Group before the first Review Conference:

Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers
States Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of
Nuclear Weapons to the United Nations
New York

	<i>Nominating State</i>	<i>Nominee</i>
1.	Côte d'Ivoire	Mr. Antonin Aka Koua
2.	Ireland	Mr. Alex Glaser
3.	Kazakhstan	Mr. Tariq Rauf
4.	Kazakhstan	Mr. Masao Tomonaga
5.	Malaysia	Mr. Faizal Mohamed
6.	New Zealand	Mr. Tilman Alfred Ruff

I will now inform the candidates of their appointment or placement on the reserve list, as the case may be. In accordance with paragraph (h) of decision 2 of the first Meeting of States Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, I will convene the first meeting of the Scientific Advisory Group on 1 March 2023.

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



Juan Ramón de la Fuente
President