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The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Eswatini to the United Nations presents its compliments to the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), and has the honour to refer to the Voluntary National Review (VNR) Reports to be presented during the 2025 United Nations High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (UN HLPF).

In this regard, the Permanent Mission is pleased to transmit the attached letter from the Principal Secretary of the Ministry of Economic Planning and Development addressed to the President of ECOSOC. This communication is an expression of interest by the Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini to present a third VNR Report at the 2025 UN HLPF session, having already missed out on a similar opportunity at the upcoming session this year.

The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Eswatini to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), the assurances of its highest consideration.

NEW YORK, 02 JULY 2024

United Nations Department of Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
The President  
UN Economic and Social Council  
New York, USA

RE: EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO PRESENT THE 3rd VOLUNTARY NATIONAL REVIEW (VNR) AT THE 2025 UNITED NATIONS HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM (UNHLPF)

Reference is made to the above subject matter.

The Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini through the Ministry of Economic Planning and Development present its complements to the United Nations Economic and Social Council. In line with the General Assembly's resolution on the HLPF review (75/290B) which encourages countries to conduct a review once during the four-year cycle of the HLPF thereby express interest in presenting its third VNR at the 2025 High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) which will be convened under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council.

The Kingdom of Eswatini through the Ministry of Economic Planning and Development responsible for monitoring, evaluating and reporting on the SDGs in the country presented its second Voluntary National Review (VNR) at the 2022 UNHLPF on sustainable development. Eswatini missed on the opportunity to present during this year’s UN HLPF and would appreciate to be considered in for 2025. This is important for the country as it will provide an opportunity to share and learn with other countries on the progress achieved, challenges, lessons learnt and best practices in the implementation of SDGs. It will also present an opportunity to identify potential partners to help accelerate implementation. The country attaches great importance to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda as it exacerbates the process of implementing the Kingdom’s development agenda.

Your consideration in this regard will be highly appreciated.

THABILE MLANGENI  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

CC: Principal Secretary- Ministry of Foreign Affairs