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Excellencies,

I have the honour to refer to Human Rigths Council resolution 28/14 of 26 March 2015, entitled "Human rights, democracy and the rule of law", through which the Council established the Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law. In paragraph 5 of the same resolution, the Council requested the President to appoint for each session, on the basis of regional rotation and in consultation with regional groups, a chairperson of the Forum. In this regard, the Council secretariat circulated a note verbale on 15 August 2022, calling for the submission of nominations for the position of Chair of the 4th session of the Forum.

Following my consultations, and taking into consideration regional rotation and gender balance, I have the pleasure to inform you that I have decided to appoint H.E. Ms. Patricia A. Hermanns, Permanent Representative of The Bahamas to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva, as Chairperson of the fourth session of the Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law. Allow me to recall that this year's Forum, which will focus on "Strengthening democracies to build back better: challenges and opporutnites", is scheduled to take place on 24 and 25 November 2022.

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

Federico VILLEGAS

President of the Human Rights Council

To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva