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Letter dated 7 September 2021 from the Chair of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly

I am writing to you in relation to the provisions of paragraph 7 of section I of General Assembly resolution [40/243](#), according to which no subsidiary organ of the Assembly may meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly. Subsidiary organs wishing to meet during a regular session of the Assembly must submit their requests through the Committee on Conferences.

I wish to inform you that the Committee on Conferences has received requests from the following entities to meet in New York during the main part of the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly: the open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies (2021–2025); the Independent Audit Advisory Committee; the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People; and the Committee on Relations with the Host Country.

Since the issuance of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences ([A/76/80](#)), the Committee has received an additional request, for a waiver for the resumption of the thirty-first Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on 8 December 2021.

The Committee on Conferences, having carefully considered those requests and the reasons for them, does not object, on the strict understanding that all such meetings would be allocated conference services on an “if available” basis, from within existing resources, in such a way as to ensure that the work of the General Assembly and its Main Committees is not impeded.

Accordingly, I should be grateful if the General Assembly would explicitly authorize the following entities to meet in accordance with their requests, subject to the conditions referred to in the foregoing paragraph: the open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies (2021–2025); the Independent Audit Advisory Committee; the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People; the Committee on Relations with the

* [A/76/150](#).



Host Country; and the States parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

(*Signed*) Alexander **Marschik**
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