

EMINENT PERSON

APPOINTED BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 72/252 (DAG HAMMARSKJÖLD INVESTIGATION)

reference: 1 December 2019

Dear Sir,

I am writing with reference to my mandate as Eminent Person appointed pursuant to General Assembly resolution 72/252 of 24 December 2017, entitled "Investigation into the conditions and circumstances resulting in the tragic death of Dag Hammarskjöld and of the members of the party accompanying him". My work under this mandate concluded following the presentation of my report to the Secretary-General earlier this year, which report is now publicly available via this link: https://undocs.org/A/73/973.

On presenting the report, I conveyed to the Secretary-General that the breadth and depth of work required was able to be undertaken based on the efforts of many individuals, including you. Although I have already expressed my appreciation in a general manner in the report itself, I am taking this opportunity to convey my deep gratitude personally.

Your contribution in 2018-19, as well as in prior years, has again been an important part of the advancement of the process. Particularly, I am grateful for your leadership and mobilisation of resources through the United Nations Association of Westminster, which has brought considered and widespread attention to key issues faced by the Investigation in its attempt to obtain access to key documents.

The General Assembly is presently seized of the matter; any future decision of course remains a matter for it to determine.

I have once again been honoured to have been entrusted with the important mandate of carrying this matter forward, and would like to reiterate my appreciation for your valuable contribution, which has enriched our shared search for the truth.

Yours sincerely,

Mohamed Chande Othman Eminent Person

Mr. David Wardrop